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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

This week, New York and regional prices are steady for both the heavier and lighter weight eggs. Next week's regional asking prices are trending steady for all sizes. The undertone is steady. Retail demand varies by region and ranges light to fairly good, mostly moderate. Food service demand is moderate. Offerings are light to moderate. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is moderate. Earlier in the period, breaking stock prices increased slightly with checks and undergrades unchanged. The undertone is mostly steady. Demand is fairly good for the light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate. National light type hen removal costs are trending steady. Demand is light to moderate for the moderate offerings. Processing schedules are full-time to reduced. Market activity is slow to moderate.

REGIONAL PRICES

To retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A & Grade A, white egg in cartons, delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	LARGE		MEDIUM	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
MIDWEST	113-122	117-120	101-110	103-106
NORTHEAST	114-128	119-123	103-116	108-110
SOUTH CENTRAL	126.5-135	128-131	103.5-112	105-108
SOUTHEAST	123-140	124-127	103.5-12	104-108

WEEKLY COMBINED REGIONAL

10/10/14

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	121.50	121.00	109.00
SOUTHEAST	127.50	125.50	106.00
MIDWEST	118.50	116.50	104.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	131.50	129.50	106.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	125.07	123.42	106.46

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	10/16/14	10/09/14	10/17/13
LARGE	95-105	119-127	71-75
MEDIUM	83-87	107-115	53-59

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)¹ (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	7.4	9.9	16.7	7.8	5.4	4.2	51.4
	% Change	0.0%	-5.2%	4.7%	-21.4%	8.3%	9.9%	-2.1%
Extra Large	This Week	19.0	23.3	42.2	20.5	33.2	6.3	144.6
	% Change	2.5%	8.0%	3.5%	-13.4%	-3.7%	3.0%	-0.4%
Large	This Week	44.7	122.3	112.7	82.3	67.2	62.2	491.2
	% Change	12.8%	3.5%	14.2%	-17.3%	-3.7%	-11.8%	-1.0%
Medium	This Week	12.6	17.4	40.2	27.5	26.6	11.7	135.9
	% Change	-19.6%	8.2%	1.8%	-3.1%	28.0%	-18.2%	1.0%
Small	This Week	6.7	2.7	9.5	5.2	0.0	2.4	26.5
	% Change	60.4%	-9.0%	21.2%	17.0%	-80.0%	-16.8%	18.6%
Miscellaneous	This Week	3.0	10.3	23.4	16.3	3.4	0.7	57.1
	% Change	-7.4%	0.5%	-5.6%	2.6%	-9.0%	-46.6%	-3.6%
Ungraded	This Week	14.9	10.6	79.2	22.5	14.7	12.9	154.7
	% Change	5.2%	-0.8%	13.3%	1.3%	5.2%	-7.1%	6.9%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	108.4	196.6	323.9	181.9	150.4	100.3	1,061.4
	% Change	5.3%	3.3%	8.9%	-10.8%	1.8%	-11.0%	0.6%
Totals		Cases		Percent Change				
Shell Egg		1,061.4		0.6%				
Breaking Stock		273.2		24.7%				
Total Shell Egg		1,334.6		4.8%				

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	7.8	30.8	9.4	3.5	4.0	0.7	56.2
	% Change	-9.6%	7.2%	39.2%	31.9%	-11.1%	7.7%	8.3%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	2.0	27.3	6.5	3.7	5.0	44.5
	% Change	0.0%	36.8%	14.9%	-11.0%	50.6%	-6.0%	10.4%
Total Specialty	This Week	7.8	32.8	36.7	10.0	7.7	5.7	100.6
	% Change	-9.6%	8.7%	20.3%	0.3%	10.6%	-4.5%	9.2%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:

Large:	15.4%
Ungraded:	61.5%
Total:	35.8%

1/ Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

Regional Definitions: **Northeast** = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; **Southeast** = AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT; **Southwest** = CA & NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 11-Oct-2014	(Lbs. in Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,472,000	34,338	15,765	7,245	2,769	4,306
PW	1,519,393	35,619	15,538	7,825	2,888	4,585
LY	1,458,174	32,054	16,666	8,497	2,772	4,446
% PW	-3%	-4%	1%	-7%	-4%	-6%
% LY	1%	7%	-5%	-15%	0%	-3%
2014	60,028,571	1,332,421	677,113	335,600	123,110	181,360
2013	58,201,181	1,348,587	608,954	309,352	119,420	181,364
% YTD	3%	-1%	11%	8%	3%	0%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	41.88	41.84	42.29
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	38.96	38.82	39.24

In Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material.)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	861,609	58.5%	21,739	63.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	842,940	55.5%	21,793	61.2%
LAST YEAR	874,129	59.9%	20,666	64.5%

BROILER HATCHERY

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set,		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed,	
	19 Selected States		19 Selected States	
	Week Ending			
	OCT 04, 2014	OCT 11, 2014	OCT 04, 2014	OCT 11, 2014
	(1,000 eggs)		(1,000 chicks)	
AL.....	26,776	27,410	22,640	21,714
AR.....	21,478	21,754	19,692	18,862
DE.....	4,565	4,747	4,786	4,394
FL.....	1,222	1,222	1,364	1,185
GA.....	33,556	33,500	26,469	25,911
KY.....	7,712	7,533	6,243	6,123
LA.....	3,252	3,605	3,213	3,197
MD.....	7,315	7,327	5,220	4,993
MS.....	15,633	16,767	14,489	14,196
MO.....	7,668	8,301	6,032	5,650
NC.....	19,787	19,607	14,314	15,716
OK.....	6,524	6,660	4,203	4,123
PA.....	4,346	4,362	3,541	3,632
SC.....	5,196	4,940	4,799	5,318
TX.....	13,194	13,976	11,628	11,546
VA.....	6,058	6,355	5,218	5,791
CA, TN, & WV.....	10,667	10,435	10,180	10,021
19 State Total.....	194,949	198,501	164,031	162,372
Percent of Prev. Year	105	104	103	103
Other States	7,624	7,659	5,652	5,789
United States	202,573	206,160	169,683	168,161
Percent of Prev. Year	105	104	102	103

Source: USDA, NASS

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 22-Nov-14 is estimated at 150.3 million head. This compares to 152.8 million head the previous week and to 156.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 159.9 million head and the national weighted average price was 91.11 cents per pound.

(5-DAY) WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES

National Trading for Oct 09, 2014- Oct 15, 2014 (Cents/Dozen)
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	93.00	102.00	94.00	96.00	96.00	98.00	14.00
GNR BR 1	--	103.00	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	106.00	103.50	107.00	95.62	--	6.25
GL W XL	106.26	106.75	105.93	108.83	101.02	101.17	62.50
GL W LG	--	--	100.00	103.69	98.73	108.50	98.00
GL W MD	--	--	84.50	89.33	82.30	--	19.50
GL W SM	--	62.00	64.00	--	52.00	69.00	2.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	97.50	--	.25
GL BR XL	--	--	110.00	112.00	104.50	--	1.50
GL BR LG	--	107.00	104.00	--	99.33	--	3.25
GL BR MD	--	--	--	--	73.00	--	.25
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	79.50	83.00	3.00

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

Week Ending 11-Oct-2014 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg	Avg		--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt
		Prev wk	Live wt			
North East	526	-20	26.83	(A)	526	26.83
South Atlantic	555	-14	40.86	(A)	555	40.86
North Central	2,482	10	32.52	(A)	2,482	32.52
South Central	645	-6	20.07	(A)	645	20.07
West	186	-38	31.93	(A)	186	31.93
U.S. total	4,394 (B)	-3	32.63	0	4,394	32.63
To-date 2014*	171,191 (B)			328	171,519	
To-date 2013*	175,588 (B)			289	175,877	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 32,000; for the current year to date* 900,000; for last year to date* 861,000.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Week Ending 11-Oct-2014 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	1,664	2,698	32	0	4,394
Avg Wt	17.96	41.77	25.23	0.00	32.63
Last week	1,953	2,558	27	1	4,539
Same wk yr ago	1,579	2,570	24	0	4,173
Avg Wt	17.16	39.17	27.44	0.00	30.77
To-date/2014*	72,656	97,635	900	328	171,519
To-date/2013*	72,639	102,088	861	289	175,877
% Change YTD	0%	-4%	5%	13%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	24,058	90,720	626	0	115,404
Last week	28,142	84,880	545	18	113,585
Same wk yr ago	21,677	80,534	507	0	102,718
To-date/2014*	999,541	3,197,544	19,594	6,972	4,223,651
To-date/2013*	997,412	3,282,247	17,894	6,287	4,303,840
% Change YTD	0%	-3%	10%	11%	-2%

Dressing % 80.5% 80.5% 77.5% 77.5%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

WEEKLY POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

(Preliminary) Week ending 11-Oct-2014

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
----- Thousands -----					
Head	159,597	1,515	1,731	3,246	411
Avg Wt	6.07	3.16	8.19	5.84	6.85
Last week	157,468	1,697	1,901	3,598	481
Same wk yr ago	157,959	1,196	1,455	2,651	439
Avg Wt	5.91	3.08	8.28	5.93	6.87
To-date/2014*	6,298,463	60,585	63,343	123,928	17,359
To-date/2013*	6,322,639	61,771	60,779	122,550	17,556
% Change YTD	0%	-2%	4%	1%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week					
Current week	736,253	2,657	9,711	12,368	1,999
Last week	724,038	2,948	10,574	13,522	2,350
Same wk yr ago	709,489	2,008	8,252	10,260	2,171

To-date/2014*	27,967,153	105,295	353,421	458,716	83,473
To-date/2013*	27,856,359	106,571	329,459	436,030	84,426

Dressing %	76.0%	55.5%	68.5%		71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.5 million head, or 2.3 million more than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update. *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
9/6	146.20	158.0	93%	5.93
9/13	161.40	157.3	103%	5.90
9/20	159.20	157.0	101%	5.98
9/27	159.50	158.4	101%	6.00
10/4	159.40	159.3	100%	6.05
10/11	161.50	159.2	101%	6.07
Year to date	6376.70	6360.2	100%	
10/18		158.2		
10/25		158.2		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF U.S. BROILER/FRYERS AND FOWL

Under Federal Inspection for Week Ending 18-Oct-14

Class	CW: 10/18/14(1) ----- Thousand head -----	PW: 10/11/14 ----- Thousand head -----
Broiler/fryer	158,155(2)	161,405
Light hens	1,282	1,625
Heavy hens	1,828	1,779
Total	161,265	164,809

(1)Estimated

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 18-Oct-14 is 157.3 million head compared to 159.9 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.5 million head or 1.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 25-Oct-14 the estimated available is 158.2 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 10/13/14	2,870	141,158	41,832
AM 10/01/14	2,821	150,852	42,016
CHG	49	-9694	-184
PCT CHG	2%	-6%	0%

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 112.00-119.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 112.00-121.00 cents fob for current deliveries.

NATIONAL FOWL MARKETS

10-Oct-2014

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range 11.0-22.0 Wtd Avg 14.20
Prices in cents per pound.

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

Live Spent Light

The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.)

Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV;

North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI;

South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

NATIONAL WHOLE BROILER/FRYER

10-Oct-2014

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	108.18	↓ 0.15	12,212
Last Week:	108.33		11,655
Last Year:	N/A	N/A	N/A

Monthly Composite Weighted Average

Month	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Sep	107.05	47,652

	Price Range	Majority	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
NEW YORK				
Whole Body:	99.00 - 117.00	107.00 - 111.00	109.44	1,493
CHICAGO				
Whole Body:	93.00 - 116.00	96.00 - 104.00	103.02	2,480
LOS ANGELES				
Whole Body:	94.00 - 121.00	102.00 - 112.00	111.58	1,845

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.

