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Beginning on January 2, 2015 Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) will be ending the release of this report and moving all of the information to one of three new summary reports that will be released weekly. LPGMN will release one egg summary once per week on Monday, one broiler/fryer summary once per week on Friday and one turkey summary report released once per week on Friday. These three reports will have all of the information that was previously released on this report. The report will still contain all of the information that it currently does but will only be released once per week, on Monday. This report will also include additional shell egg and egg product information that was previously being released on other reports. LPGMN is making these changes to ensure that the data we provide is easier for users to access, to ensure that we have more timely releases of the information that we provide, and also to reduce the duplicate release of information. If you currently receive this report through email you will still be receiving it after the changes are put into place, we do not anticipate any gaps in service because of these changes.

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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices in New York prices are 10 cents lower on Extra Large and Large, 5 cents lower on Medium. Regional prices are 14 cents lower on Jumbo, 10 to 39 cents lower on Extra Large, 10 to 38 cents lower on Large, 7 to 15.5 cents lower on Medium and 7 cents lower on Small. The undertone is sharply lower. Demand ranges light to fairly good, generally viewed as moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy for current trading purposes. Supplies are in a full range of light to heavy, mostly moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock offerings are moderate to instances heavy for a light demand. Light type hen offerings are usually adequate for normal processing schedules.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered asking prices are 26 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, and 12 cents lower for Medium. Daily producer prices are 13 cents lower for Large, 5 cents lower Medium and unchanged for Small. The undertone is sharply lower. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy, mostly heavy. Market activity is slow. Breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	181-190	184-187
LARGE	180-189	182-185
MEDIUM	121-130	123-126

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	188-196	189-191
LARGE	186-194	187-189
MEDIUM	127-135	128-130

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	149-159	153
MEDIUM	98-102	100
SMALL	67-73	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY, & western PA

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices are 26 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, 12 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is sharply lower. Demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity remains slow. All breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to at times heavy on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Schedules are mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	192.5-201	194-197
LARGE	195.5-204	197-200
MEDIUM	125.5-134	127-130

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 11 to 39 cents lower on Extra Large, down 19 to 38 cents on Large, 12 to 15.5 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is sharply lower on all sizes. Retail and food service demand is generally moderate to at times fairly good. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Supplies are mostly moderate on larger sized eggs, at times light to moderate on Medium for Christmas holiday needs. Market activity is moderate. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are moderate; breaking schedules are regular to over-time. Light type fowl offerings are sufficient to heavy for the moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	172-216	191-194
LARGE	176-212	189-192
MEDIUM	122-143	126-130

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices are 20 to 23 cents lower on Extra Large, 20 to 26 cents lower on Large and 9 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies are mixed, but are generally moderate to heavy for trading purposes. Offerings remain moderate to heavy. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow to at times moderate. Eastern region breaking stock offerings are moderate for the light demand. Light type hen offerings are moderate to heavy for the mostly moderate demand.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	176-191	177-188
LARGE	170-188	175-179
MEDIUM	126-139	131-133

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT

NEW YORK Prices are 10 cents lower on Extra Large and Large, 5 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies are vary by plant, but are usually moderate to heavy for needs. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is mostly slow.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	164-168
LARGE	162-166
MEDIUM	128-132

WESTERN Prices are 14 cents lower for Jumbo, 10 cents lower for Extra Large and Large and 7 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy on moderate demand. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate.

****Effective January 1st, 2015 this report will be discontinued. Information covered in this report will be available in the Daily California Egg report. For additional information regarding this report, please use the contact information at the bottom of this report.**

CALIFORNIA Benchmark prices are 14 cents lower for Jumbo, 10 cents lower for Extra Large and Large and 7 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to mostly heavy. Demand is moderate. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.57.

CALIFORNIA: Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons. Cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	230
EXTRA LARGE	270
LARGE	267
MEDIUM	177

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	8.1	11.7	19.7	8.4	9.8	2.7	60.5
	% Change	-20.5%	6.2%	-2.1%	2.9%	9.0%	-28.2%	-3.0%
Extra Large	This Week	38.0	26.4	42.7	32.3	38.3	4.7	182.5
	% Change	6.9%	-13.1%	-0.7%	16.5%	-9.4%	4.4%	-0.5%
Large	This Week	52.9	121.1	135.9	130.8	97.0	58.9	596.5
	% Change	-18.7%	-13.8%	7.5%	7.2%	1.7%	-10.0%	-3.0%
Medium	This Week	15.8	11.3	45.4	20.3	23.4	10.4	126.5
	% Change	3.6%	-20.1%	2.3%	-11.1%	-5.3%	-6.0%	-4.3%
Small	This Week	3.1	2.4	7.9	1.6	1.3	4.3	20.7
	% Change	2.0%	135.9%	30.0%	-44.9%	3.1%	8.9%	12.8%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.1	11.1	21.8	19.4	4.2	1.7	60.3
	% Change	22.4%	-9.5%	-19.9%	-30.7%	-10.3%	48.2%	-19.6%
Ungraded	This Week	5.8	12.2	77.8	16.3	15.1	9.7	136.9
	% Change	3.6%	-8.3%	17.3%	-0.7%	-26.8%	-2.5%	3.5%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	125.9	196.2	351.2	229.1	189.2	92.3	1,183.8
	% Change	-7.8%	-11.9%	5.3%	0.4%	-4.5%	-7.5%	-2.8%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,183.8	-2.8%
Breaking Stock	243.2	0.8%
Total Shell Egg	1,427.0	-2.2%

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	7.6	25.8	8.8	2.0	3.8	0.3	48.4
	% Change	0.4%	16.2%	-5.1%	-32.8%	2.4%	17.2%	5.1%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	2.4	24.8	8.4	4.7	4.9	45.2
	% Change	0.0%	11.2%	-4.0%	26.3%	58.4%	14.4%	7.9%
Total Specialty	This Week	7.6	28.2	33.6	10.5	8.5	5.2	93.6
	% Change	0.4%	15.8%	-4.3%	8.1%	27.2%	14.6%	6.4%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:	Large:	22.0%
	Ungraded:	67.0%
	Total:	43.7%

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.

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending December 26, 2014 will decrease by 2 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending December 19, 2014 were 201,648 cases which was 13 percent above the prior week and 12 percent above estimates.

CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL

Cases purchased
present week..... 177,504 24,144 201,648

% change from the
prior week..... +17 -11 +13
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK

All prices are lower. Trade sentiment is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy on light demand. Supplies are moderate. Schedules mixed. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
Breaking Stock	93-96	
Checks	76-87	77-83
Central States Area:	AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI	

CANADIAN EGGS

Week of Dec 8, 2014
Quebec/Montreal: wholesale prices-graded in cartons (Canadian dollars) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL	
	Unavailable				

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers.

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
GRADE A	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL	
	1.90	1.90	1.69	1.26	

DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 19, 2014

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 22.00 FUTURE LOADS 7.75 TOTAL LOADS 29.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00	GL W XL	122.50	137.00	--	--	--	138.12	8.25
GL W XL	--	132.00	133.50	145.00	118.34	--	11.50	GL W LG	--	121.00	--	--	--	136.00	4.75
GL W LG	--	--	105.00	--	117.30	--	8.75	GL W MD	--	96.25	--	--	--	97.50	3.00
GL W MD	--	--	87.00	--	81.00	--	3.00	GL W SM	76.00	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W SM	--	83.00	--	86.00	80.00	--	2.00								
GL BR LG	--	168.00	165.00	--	--	--	1.00								

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 15, 2014 - December 19, 2014

Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

CURRENT LOADS 98.50 FUTURE LOADS 24.75 TOTAL LOADS 123.25

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST								
GNR W XL	--	--	--	--	211.00	--	3.00	GNR W XL	--	--	212.50	--	227.00	6.00
GNR W 1	151.00	174.00	--	154.00	--	113.00	9.00	GL W J	143.83	146.88	--	--	157.77	9.75
GNR BR 1	--	157.00	161.00	163.00	--	--	1.50	GL W XL	150.50	183.82	--	--	151.36	26.00
GL W J	--	--	164.33	166.67	134.69	--	9.75	GL W LG	153.25	192.22	--	--	152.59	43.25
GL W XL	127.75	134.00	156.67	161.78	129.60	124.50	43.75	GL W MD	--	94.83	--	--	121.69	11.00
GL W LG	--	198.00	145.43	156.18	141.89	149.25	58.25	GL W SM	78.40	--	--	--	86.50	5.00
GL W MD	--	98.78	108.17	114.75	96.87	89.00	18.50	GL BR J	--	--	--	--	168.00	.25
GL W SM	--	80.80	83.00	86.00	79.25	--	8.00	NRBS - 39	--	--	--	95.00	--	1.00
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	145.00	--	.25							
GL BR LG	--	168.00	165.00	--	--	--	1.00							
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	82.00	75.00	--	1.00							
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	82.00	74.17	70.00	3.00							

Weighted average prices are listed for various classes priced by origin and/or destination f or 6 regions. The loads column reflects total loads reported and includes loads with prices to be determined later. NRBS categories represent net weight - material may or may not be included.

Load movement represents total movement within 6 regions.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS

Selected Centers

(In Thousands of Pounds)

	12/15/14	12/08/14	12/16/2013
Pacific w/out Denver	65	65	25
Los Angeles	0	0	0

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on small, lower on the balance. Supplies are heavy. Retail demand is light.

Prices weighted average, in small lots, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, nearby retail outlet, cents per dozen.

	Mostly
Extra Large	190.20
Large	192.82
Medium	135.82
Small	109.00

USDA CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS

WHOLESALE

Organic Brown Shell Eggs in Cartons

(price cents per carton delivered to first receivers)

		Price Range	Mostly
Extra Large	doz.	261 - 360	275 - 310
	1/2 doz.	180 - 195	181 - 189
Large	doz.	230 - 350	265 - 300
	1/2 doz.	171 - 190	171 - 178

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