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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 are 10 cents lower on larger sizes, 7 cents lower on Medium. Regional prices are steady. The undertone is sharply lower. Supplies are light to heavy, usually moderate to heavy. Offerings are moderate to heavy for trade requirements. Retail and food service demand is light to fairly good. Market activity is ranges slow to active, mostly slow. Breaking stock supplies are sufficient for mixed holiday breaking schedules. Spent hen offerings are moderate to heavy for the mostly moderate demand.

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

MIDWEST REGIONAL Daily producer prices are 13 cents lower for Large and 5 cents lower for Medium. 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 lower to sharply lower. Offerings are heavy while demand is mostly light to instances moderate. Supplies are adequate for current needs. Market activity is slow.

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 steady. The undertone is sharply lower. Offerings are moderate to heavy on mostly light to moderate demand. Supplies remain moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. All breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is lower to sharply lower. Demand is mostly light to at times moderate for the heavy offerings. Supplies are adequate for current needs. Schedules are mixed. Market activity is slow.

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 steady. The undertone is weak. Offerings are generally moderate. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good. Food service demand is moderate. Supplies are light to moderate for holiday needs. Market activity is moderate to active. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are moderate for mixed holiday breaking schedules. Light type fowl offerings are moderate to heavy for the usually 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 steady. The undertone is sharply lower. Supplies are mostly moderate to heavy for trading purposes. Offerings are moderate to heavy, heavier on Large. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are moderate for normal to reduced holiday breaking schedules. Light 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, 7 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is sharply lower. Supplies are mostly moderate to heavy for needs. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	144-148
LARGE	142-146
MEDIUM	116-120

WESTERN Prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 16 cents lower for Jumbo, 29 cents lower for Extra Large, 30 cents lower for Large and 17 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to lower. Offerings are usually heavy. Retail demand is fairly good to good with warehouse buying interest in a full range of light to fairly good. Supplies are moderate to occasionally 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 steady. Asking prices for next week are 16 cents lower for Jumbo, 29 cents lower for Extra Large, 30 cents lower for Large and 17 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to lower. Offerings are usually heavy. Retail demand is fairly good to instances good with warehouse buying interest in a full range of light to fairly good. Supplies are moderate to instances 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

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	222-234
EXTRA LARGE	251-263
LARGE	252-263
MEDIUM	157-166

WEEKLY NATIONAL EGG PRODUCTS

F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

LIQUID EGGS

All prices are too few to report. Trade sentiment is lower for whole egg and whites and mostly steady for yolk. Demand is light for all liquid products and centers around minimal contractual needs for this week and next. Offerings are moderate to heavy for whole egg and light on the balance of liquid egg products. Market activity is slow.

Non-pasteurized in trucklots; current trading for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Current Week			Last Week			November Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
Whole	TFEWR			TFEWR			26	85.38
Whites	TFEWR			TFEWR			16	99.88
Yolk	TFEWR			TFEWR			21	68.00

FROZEN EGGS

Frozen whole egg, sugared and salted yolk prices are steady to lower with whites lower. The undertone is steady to lower for whole egg, lower for whites and steady for frozen yolk products. Demand is light on moderate offerings. Supplies are light to moderate for whole egg, moderate for whites and light for frozen sugared and salted yolk. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Packed in 30-pound containers; less-than-trucklot reflects a minimum volume of 25 containers.

Trucklot	Current Week			Last Week			November Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	100.00 - 112.00	102.00 - 108.00		105.00 - 112.00	108.00 - 111.00		104.75	106.60
Whites	108.00 - 119.00	114.00 - 116.00		112.00 - 125.00	115.00 - 119.00		124.13	139.30
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	86.00 - 93.00	87.00 - 91.00		87.00 - 93.00	89.00 - 91.00		85.63	85.50
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	83.00 - 90.00	85.00 - 87.00		84.00 - 90.00	85.00 - 88.00		81.88	82.30

Less-than-Trucklot	Current Week			Last Week			November Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	108.00 - 110.00			110.00 - 112.00			109.00	110.20
Whites	115.00 - 125.00	115.00 - 120.00		118.00 - 123.00			130.63	141.80
Sugar Yolk ^{1/}	90.00 - 95.00			90.00 - 95.00			85.50	85.50
Salt Yolk ^{1/}	90.00 - 95.00			90.00 - 95.00			85.50	85.50

^{1/}Minimum 43% solids.**DRIED EGGS**

Price for dried egg products are lower for whole and albumen, mixed on yolk and unchanged on blends. The undertone is lower on whole and albumen and steady on the balance. Demand is moderate on whole egg, moderate to fairly good on yolk and light to moderate on albumen. Offerings are moderate. Supplies are light to moderate. Trading is based on regular commitments with limited trading due to the holiday. Market activity is moderate.

Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Current Week			Last Week			November Averages	
	Range	Mostly		Range	Mostly		This Month	Last Month
Whole	3.75 - 4.15	3.80 - 3.90		3.90 - 4.25	4.00 - 4.10		3.99	4.06
Yolk	1.75 - 1.90	1.78 - 1.83		1.65 - 1.97	1.80 - 1.85		1.67	1.62
Albumen ^{2/}	10.25 - 11.75	11.15 - 11.25		10.75 - 12.15	11.25 - 11.50		12.15	13.48
Blends ^{3/}	3.20 - 3.25			3.20 - 3.25			3.23	3.24

^{2/} Spray Dried; ^{3/} Whole plus sweetener.**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 20-Dec-2014 (Lbs. In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)

Total Production	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,462,257	33,294	15,904	7,841	2,504	4,516
PW	1,372,297	31,703	14,737	6,940	1,879	4,408
LY	1,363,048	32,593	13,698	6,895	2,269	4,281
% PW	7%	5%	8%	13%	33%	2%
% LY	7%	2%	16%	14%	10%	5%
2014	74,640,526	1,678,903	828,036	407,783	145,034	226,746
2013	72,030,129	1,671,169	755,458	381,891	142,567	224,470
% YTD	4%	0%	10%	7%	2%	1%

	CW	PW	LY
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible included)	42.10	42.11	42.16
Average Yield Per Case - (inedible excluded)	39.01	38.90	39.02

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	819,181	56.0%	20,092	60.3%
PREVIOUS WEEK	813,897	59.3%	20,531	64.8%
LAST YEAR	821,794	60.3%	22,145	67.9%

BREAKING STOCK 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.

CENTRAL REGION All prices are lower. The undertone is lower to sharply lower. Offerings are heavy while demand is mostly light to instances moderate. Supplies are adequate for current needs. Schedules mixed. Market activity is slow.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	82-85	
CHECKS	65-76	66-72
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI		

EASTERN REGION

BREAKING STOCK unavailable at time of publication
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES
 EASTERN STATES AREA: AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, & WV

DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 17, 2014 - December 23, 2014

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

CURRENT LOADS 115.00 FUTURE LOADS 36.75 TOTAL LOADS 151.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	--	--	--	--	211.00	--	3.00	GNR W XL	--	--	212.50	--	--	227.00	6.00
GNR W 1	139.00	161.67	--	142.00	105.00	117.29	23.00	GL W J	142.75	135.92	--	--	--	143.63	9.00
GNR BR 1	--	157.00	--	--	--	--	.50	GL W XL	145.83	170.27	--	--	--	143.39	37.00
GL W J	--	--	142.50	145.00	117.64	--	9.00	GL W LG	--	174.75	--	--	--	146.63	35.50
GL W XL	127.75	131.80	134.91	142.73	122.28	123.50	56.75	GL W MD	--	93.50	--	--	--	100.23	11.25
GL W LG	--	151.50	126.67	141.00	134.00	--	45.50	GL W SM	79.20	--	--	--	--	86.00	5.00
GL W MD	--	98.78	91.25	99.25	83.81	86.56	23.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W SM	--	81.50	83.50	85.60	79.80	--	9.00								
GL BR LG	--	168.00	165.75	168.00	--	--	3.00								

Weighted average prices are listed for various classes priced by origin and/or destination for 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.

COMBINED REGIONAL

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	182.50	177.00	132.00
SOUTHEAST	192.50	190.50	128.00
MIDWEST	185.50	183.50	124.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	195.50	198.50	128.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	189.31	187.96	128.22

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady for the mostly moderate demand. Offerings of light type hens are moderate to heavy for current needs. Processing schedules are normal to instances heavy entering the Christmas holiday week. Movement of finished product is sufficient for current needs. Market activity is seasonally moderate. The majority price for removal costs continued 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.

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

W/E 13-Dec-14 (Preliminary)

U.S. fowl slaughtered domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	1,598	1,524	3,122
Last Week	1,429	1,758	3,187
Same week yr ago	1,649	1,568	3,217
To-date/2014*	70,560	77,769	148,329
To-date/2013*	73,011	74,275	147,286

U.S. fowl slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	551	0	551
Last Week	449	0	449
Same week yr ago	229	0	229
To-date/2014*	18,210	0	18,210
To-date/2013*	16,382	0	16,382

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Total U.S. fowl slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	-----Thousands-----		
Head	2,149	1,524	3,673
Last Week	1,878	1,758	3,636
Same week yr ago	1,878	1,568	3,446
To-date/2014*	88,770	77,769	166,539
To-date/2013*	89,393	74,275	163,668

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

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Dec 13, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	47	0	6,567	2,220
Frozen	0	0	39	40
Dried	40	0	1,213	159
Total	87	0%	7,819	2,419

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Dec 13, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Liquid	47	11	5,966	6,180
Frozen	0	38	1,478	1,359
Dried	0	0	241	51
Total	47	49	7,685	7,590

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS**U.S Exports to Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Dec 13, 2014	Year-To-Date*			
Type	2014	2013 /1	2014 /2	2013
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	6,104	780	198,020	172,176
Large	21,500	0	475,977	321,104
Medium	0	0	23,251	26,925
Ungraded	34,114	672	1,165,059	504,320
Misc	0	0	28,042	3,720
Total	61,718	1,452	1,890,349	1,028,245

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s)

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

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS – Selected Centers

	(INCL. GOV'T STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)		
	Frozen Eggs LBS	Processed Turkeys LBS	Processed Other Poultry LBS
AM 12/22/14	2,748	48,516	55,557
AM 12/01/14	2,792	47,990	43,707
CHG	-44	526	11850
PCT CHG	-2%	1%	27%

WEEKLY NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS December 23, 2014

Prices paid per dozen Grade A brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
Maine	234	233	154	111
Mostly	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	222-226	221-225	145-149	104-108
Mostly	224-225	223-224	147-148	106-107
Rhode Island	233-237	232-236	153-157	110-114
Mostly	233	232	153	110
Vermont	234-235	233	154-155	111
Mostly	-	-	-	-

CHICKENS AND EGGS**November Egg Production Up 3 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 8.31 billion during November 2014, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.26 billion table eggs, and 1.06 billion hatching eggs, of which 986 million were broiler-type and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2014 averaged 360 million, up 1 percent from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,308 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2013.

All layers in the United States on December 1, 2014 totaled 362 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 362 million layers consisted of 306 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.1 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.97 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2014, averaged 77.2 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from December 1, 2013.

Egg-Type Chicks Hatched Down 12 Percent

Egg-type chicks hatched during November 2014 totaled 36.5 million, down 12 percent from November 2013. Eggs in incubators totaled 42.0 million on December 1, 2014, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 325 thousand during November 2014, up 83 percent from November 2013.

Source: USDA/NASS

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT

Commodity	Oct-31 2013	Oct-31 2014 (1,000 pounds)	Nov-30 2013	Nov-30 2014	November 30, 2014 as a Percent of	
					Nov-30 2013 (percent)	Oct-31 2014
Frozen Egg						
Whites	4,896	4,477	4,108	4,038	98%	90%
Yolks	1,604	1,540	1,823	1,458	80%	95%
Whole and mixed	12,509	10,171	11,620	10,647	92%	105%
Unclassified	14,823	15,772	12,203	14,769	121%	94%
Total frozen eggs	33,832	31,960	29,754	30,912	104%	97%

Source: USDA/NASS