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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

Regional prices are 16 cents lower on Jumbo, down 29 to 52 cents on Extra Large, 30 to 53 cents lower on Large, 17 to 24 cents lower on Medium, down 17 cents on Small. New York prices are unchanged. The undertone is steady to lower. Retail and distributive demand ranges light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Offerings are at least moderate to heavy for current trade requirements. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is mixed, mostly slow. Breaking stock offerings are more than sufficient to heavy; demand is light. Spent fowl demand is generally moderate on moderate to heavy offerings.

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

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered prices are 52 cents lower for Extra Large and Large, 24 cents lower for Medium. Daily producer prices are 13 cents lower for Large, 7 cents lower for Medium, unchanged for Small. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate at best. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. All breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is weak. Offerings are heavy on light demand. Supplies are easily adequate for current needs. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA-LARGE	129-138	132-135
LARGE	128-137	130-133
MEDIUM	97-106	99-102

DELIVERED TO STORE DOOR:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	136-144	137-139
LARGE	134-142	135-137
MEDIUM	103-111	104-106

### IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
LARGE	110-120	114
MEDIUM	79-83	81
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 50 cents lower for Extra Large, 53 cents lower for Large, and 22 cents lower for Medium. The undertone is lower. Demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow. All breaking stock prices are lower. The undertone is weak. Offerings are heavy on light demand. Supplies are easily adequate for current needs. Schedules are mixed. Market activity is slow.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	142.5-151	144-147
LARGE	142.5-151	144-147
MEDIUM	103.5-112	105-108

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

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 37 to 42.5 cents lower on Extra Large, down 40 to 42 cents on Large, 18.5 to 22 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is steady to lower. Retail and distributive demand is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are mostly moderate. Supplies are at times light to moderate for trading purposes. Market activity is moderate to active. In the Eastern region, breaking stock offerings are mostly adequate; demand is light. Light type hen offerings are moderate to heavy for normal processing schedules.

DELIVERED TO WAREHOUSE:	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	135-173.5	139-142
LARGE	136-169.5	137-140
MEDIUM	103.5-121	104-108

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

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices are 40 cents lower on Extra Large, 40 to 44 cents lower on Large, and 22 cents lower on Medium. The undertone is weak. Supplies are moderate to heavy for trading needs. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Retail demand is light. Distributive demand is light to moderate. Market activity is slow. Eastern region breaking stock supplies are sufficient 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	136-151	137-140
LARGE	130-144	135-139
MEDIUM	104-117	109-111

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

**NEW YORK** Prices are unchanged. The undertone is lower. Supplies are mostly moderate to heavy for current trade needs. Offerings are at least moderate. Demand following the extended holiday weekend is light to moderate. Processing schedules are normal to light with some plants down for Thursday's holiday. Market activity is slow.

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

**WESTERN** Prices 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. Retail demand is light to moderate. Offerings are moderate to heavy. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to 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 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. Retail demand is mostly moderate. Offerings are moderate to usually heavy. Supplies are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.40.

**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	214
EXTRA LARGE	241
LARGE	237
MEDIUM	160

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY:**

Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands) <sup>1/</sup>  
(Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Jumbo</b>	This Week	<b>8.5</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>61.6</b>
	% Change	4.6%	-13.1%	25.4%	-17.1%	-16.5%	12.2%	1.8%
<b>Extra Large</b>	This Week	<b>37.4</b>	<b>25.2</b>	<b>41.3</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>43.4</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>185.1</b>
	% Change	-1.6%	-4.5%	-3.3%	1.7%	13.3%	3.6%	1.4%
<b>Large</b>	This Week	<b>50.8</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>149.6</b>	<b>138.3</b>	<b>115.4</b>	<b>59.1</b>	<b>619.7</b>
	% Change	-4.0%	-12.0%	10.1%	5.8%	18.9%	0.5%	3.9%
<b>Medium</b>	This Week	<b>17.2</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>54.3</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>140.8</b>
	% Change	8.8%	12.9%	19.6%	7.7%	-9.6%	32.0%	11.3%
<b>Small</b>	This Week	<b>2.2</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>19.8</b>
	% Change	-30.8%	-30.0%	-28.5%	67.3%	-27.3%	54.7%	-4.2%
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	This Week	<b>3.8</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>72.1</b>
	% Change	76.1%	-7.6%	43.3%	7.3%	14.1%	-22.9%	19.7%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	<b>9.7</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>78.6</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>142.4</b>
	% Change	66.2%	28.5%	1.0%	9.0%	-29.8%	4.9%	4.0%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	This Week	<b>129.4</b>	<b>182.3</b>	<b>385.4</b>	<b>241.2</b>	<b>204.5</b>	<b>98.8</b>	<b>1,241.5</b>
	% Change	2.8%	-7.1%	9.7%	5.3%	8.1%	7.1%	4.9%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
<b>Shell Egg</b>	1,241.5	4.9%
<b>Breaking Stock</b>	278.0	14.3%
<b>Total Shell Egg</b>	1,519.5	6.5%

**Specialty Shell Egg Inventory<sup>2</sup>** Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
<b>Large</b>	This Week	6.1	24.3	12.7	2.0	4.6	0.3	<b>50.0</b>
	% Change	-19.8%	-6.1%	44.5%	-2.0%	20.9%	-14.7%	3.2%
<b>Ungraded</b>	This Week	0.0	3.0	25.8	9.1	7.4	3.6	<b>48.9</b>
	% Change	0.0%	24.3%	4.0%	7.2%	58.4%	-26.0%	8.1%
<b>Total Specialty</b>	This Week	<b>6.1</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>98.8</b>
	% Change	<b>-19.8%</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>41.6%</b>	<b>-25.2%</b>	<b>5.6%</b>

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

<b>Large:</b>	<b>18.9%</b>
<b>Ungraded:</b>	<b>66.5%</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>42.4%</b>

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 January 02, 2015 will remain unchanged. Present week purchases for the week ending December 26, 2014 were 187,126 cases which was 7 percent below the prior week and 6 percent below estimates.

**CARTONED LOOSE TOTAL**

Cases purchased  
present week ..... 160,247 26,879 187,126

% change from the  
prior week ..... -10 +11 -7  
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. The undertone is lower. Offerings continue heavy with demand light. Supplies are moderate to heavy. Schedules mixed. Market activity is slow. The National breaking stock inventory increased 14.3% from last week.

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	74-77	
Checks	57-68	58-64
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
<b>GRADE A</b>					
		Unavailable			

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

	EX	LRG	LRG	MED	SMALL
<b>GRADE A</b>					
		1.90	1.90	1.69	1.26

**DAILY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 29, 2014

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

**CURRENT LOADS 46.25 FUTURE LOADS 4.50 TOTAL LOADS 50.75**

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	--	--	105.00	107.00	--	--	1.00	GL W J	--	--	--	--	--	143.00	2.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25	GL W XL	--	130.00	--	--	--	137.89	11.25
GL W J	--	--	127.00	129.00	122.00	--	3.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	136.00	28.00
GL W XL	--	--	115.00	118.00	112.58	--	13.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	180.00	1.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	111.29	--	29.00								
GL W MD	--	--	86.00	89.00	82.00	--	2.50								
GL W SM	83.00	85.00	--	--	--	--	1.00								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	160.00	--	1.00								

**DAILY 5-DAY WEIGHTED AVERAGE TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES**

(Cents/Doz.)

National Trading for December 18, 2014 - December 24, 2014

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

**CURRENT LOADS 136.00 FUTURE LOADS 35.75 TOTAL LOADS 171.75**

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	131.50	145.33	105.00	125.33	105.00	109.70	22.00	GL W J	132.50	122.00	--	--	--	143.47	10.00
GNR BR 1	--	157.00	--	--	--	--	.75	GL W XL	122.50	153.62	--	--	--	138.04	43.00
GL W J	--	--	137.33	139.67	118.61	--	12.00	GL W LG	--	166.71	--	--	--	136.29	47.50
GL W XL	127.75	131.80	123.75	135.20	117.18	123.50	63.50	GL W MD	--	93.50	--	--	--	97.50	10.25
GL W LG	--	151.50	126.67	134.83	112.59	--	57.50	GL W SM	79.20	--	--	--	--	86.00	5.00
GL W MD	--	98.78	85.58	90.40	82.18	86.56	23.50	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	180.00	2.00
GL W SM	83.00	81.33	84.00	85.75	80.67	--	7.00								
GL BR LG	--	168.00	165.75	168.00	160.00	--	4.00								

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.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-FROZEN EGGS**

Selected Centers (In Thousands of Pounds)

	12/22/14	12/15/14	12/23/2013
Pacific w/out Denver	69	65	20
Los Angeles	0	0	0

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market had no available price comparison. Supplies are mixed. Retail demand is moderate.

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	167.17
Large	168.72
Medium	121.86
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

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program at [www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome](http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome)