



Egg Markets Overview

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Negotiated wholesale prices for graded loose caged eggs moved higher on moderate to good demand for light to instances moderate offerings and very light to moderate supplies. Trading is moderate to active. Wholesale prices for national trading of trucklot quantities of graded, loose, White Large shell eggs increased \$0.14 to \$2.70 per dozen with a firm undertone. The wholesale price on the New York market for formula trading of Large cartoned shell eggs delivered to retailers increased \$0.18 to \$3.23 per dozen with a firm undertone. In the major Midwest production region, wholesale prices for Large, white, shell eggs delivered to warehouses was unchanged at \$2.94 per dozen with a steady undertone while the price to producers for Large cartoned shell eggs held at \$2.76 per dozen. The California benchmark for Large shell eggs rose \$0.09 to \$3.84 per dozen with a firm undertone. Delivered prices on the California-compliant wholesale loose egg market increased \$0.20 to \$3.58 per dozen with a firm undertone. Demand is in a full range for light offerings. Supplies are light to moderate on moderate trading.

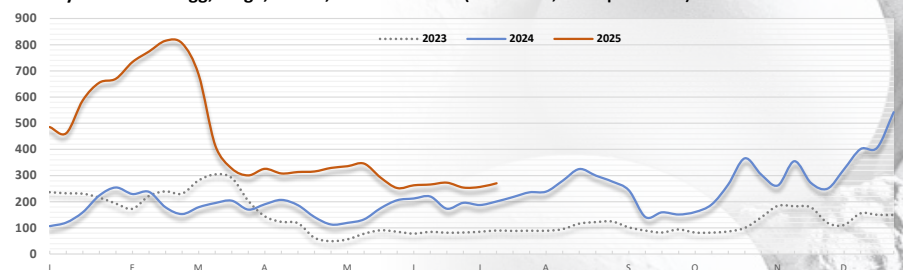
Demand for shell eggs improved slightly over the July 4th holiday weekend as consumers continue to respond favorably to attractively-priced retail featuring. Grocers have been actively promoting shell eggs over the past few weeks in sharp contrast to earlier in the year when reduced supplies forced most to forego promotions while struggling to simply maintain a consistent offering. Demand from egg product manufacturers remains light as processing schedules were disrupted by the holiday break. Processing activity is expected to rebound in the immediate post-holiday period as breakers work to cover lost production following a trend seen in past years. Imports continue to be the wild card in the market as those importing shell eggs have been less susceptible to changes in the spot market. Monthly import volumes of shell eggs have risen steadily during the March to May time period (May volume up 21% over March). During this 3-month period, shell egg imports have accounted for, on average, an estimated 6% of the weekly volume of eggs processed. During this same time period, total U.S. production of table shell eggs was down 13% from the same period in 2024.

Feature activity retreats from last week's active pace with ads for conventional caged shell eggs seeing a slight uptick in activity and a \$0.07 increase in the average ad price to \$3.64 per dozen. Featuring of [UEP-certified](#) cage-free shell eggs slows but remains relatively active, accounting for 40% of all shell egg ads this week with white-shelled offerings the primary focus. The average ad price rises \$0.06 to \$3.25 per dozen, making cage-free eggs a better bargain than their caged counterparts this week. Featuring of nutritionally-enhanced shell eggs increases in pace but the ad price rises. Promotions for non-organic pastured eggs drop off sharply but still command nearly 17% of ads. Non-organic and organic types round out shell egg advertising this cycle.

The overall shell egg inventory increased just over 3.5% while the national inventory of Large class shell eggs saw a nearly 4.5% increase. Stocks of Large shell eggs in the key Midwest production region decreased just over a half percent, reflecting a large draw down over the past week as eggs cleared into retail channels to support active featuring.

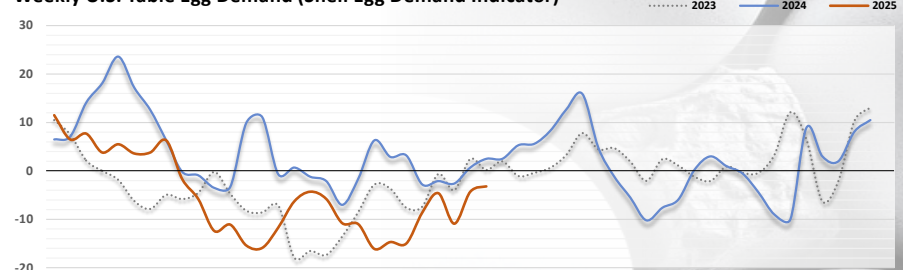
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Weekly Loose Shell Egg, Large, White, National Index (f.o.b. dock, cents per dozen)



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Weekly U.S. Table Egg Demand (Shell Egg Demand Indicator)



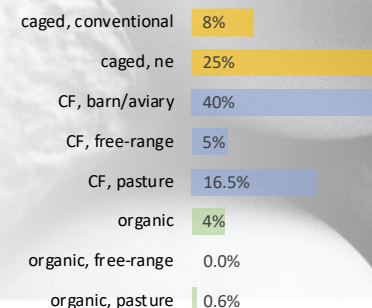
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This Week's Retail Large Shell Egg Feature Summary

Advertised Prices to Consumers at Major Retail Supermarkets

	White-Shell		Brown-Shell	
	Activity	Price	Activity	Price
Caged				
conventional	171	3.64	--	--
nutritionally-enhanced	531	3.43	--	--
Cage-Free - Non-Organic				
barn/aviary	793	3.24	49	3.42
free-range	--	--	99	4.10
pastured	--	--	345	6.71
USDA Organic				
organic	--	--	91	4.91
free-range	--	--	--	--
pastured	--	--	13	7.99

includes 12 and 18 packs combined; prices weighted by store count.



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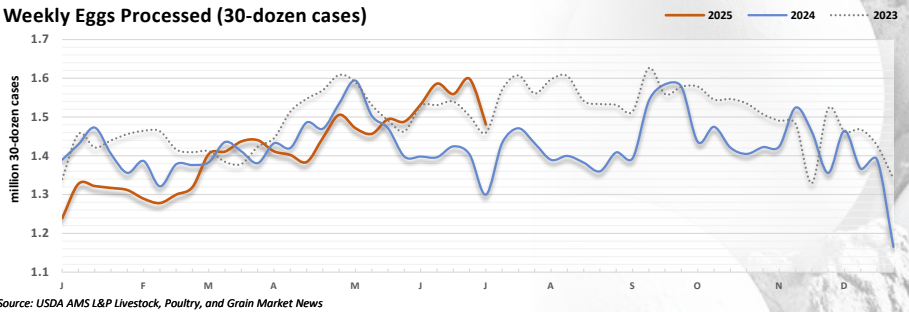
The inventory share of Large class shell eggs held at a 47% share of all shell egg stocks on inventory at the start of the week. Stocks of cage-free eggs rose nearly 9% as the major promotion for cage-free eggs in the last ad cycle does not appear to have stimulated consumer interest. Stocks of nutritionally-enhanced eggs declined 2% and the inventory of organic shell eggs decreased 6% to support last week's active featuring of organic pasture shell eggs. The inventory of breaking stock was unchanged as the influx of imported breaking stock continues to fuel processing schedules without the need to draw down stocks. Total estimated table egg production was largely unchanged from last week and from last year to a year-to-year deficit the equivalent of 10.4 million cases in total.

The average national wholesale price for breaking stock declined \$0.07 to \$1.78 per dozen with a weak undertone. Demand is in a full range for light offerings and light to moderate supplies. Trading is moderate while processing schedules are mostly full-time. The volume of eggs processed last week decreased nearly 7.5% due to the holiday break and the share of weekly table egg production was down 3% to 33%. Cage-free stock accounted for 37% of eggs processed last week, a one percent increase in share. Production of whole egg was down 10% while production of egg components declined with whites by just over 2% and yolk by 7%. Dried egg production declined nearly 18% and the production of inedible egg was down just over 7%. Breaking yields without inedible declined nearly a quarter pound to 41.46 pounds per case broken..

Wholesale prices for certified liquid whole eggs are lower from the last quote two weeks ago with a weak undertone. Demand is light for light to moderate supplies and light offerings. Trading is slow to moderate. Wholesale prices for whole frozen eggs were untested with the last quote at \$2.30 per pound as are prices for frozen yolk last quoted at \$1.70 per pound. The undertone is weak with light to moderate demand for light offerings and light to moderate supplies. Trading is slow to moderate. Prices for dried eggs remain too few to publish with the price of dried whole egg last quoted at \$25.00 per pound, dried yolk at \$21.00 per pound, and dried albumen at \$30.00 per pound. The undertone is steady to weak with light to moderate demand. Offerings are light with light to very light supplies and slow to moderate trading.

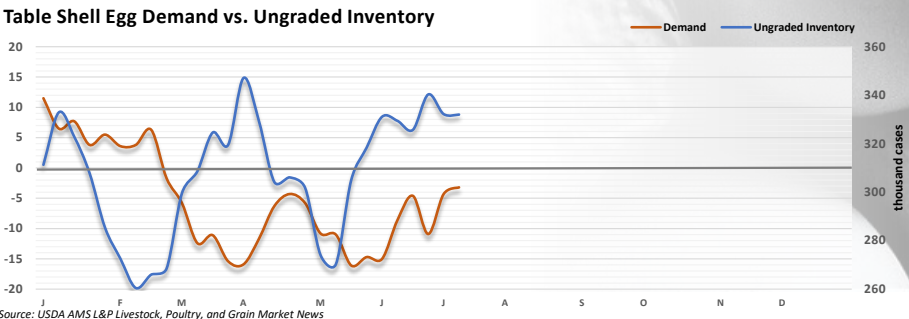
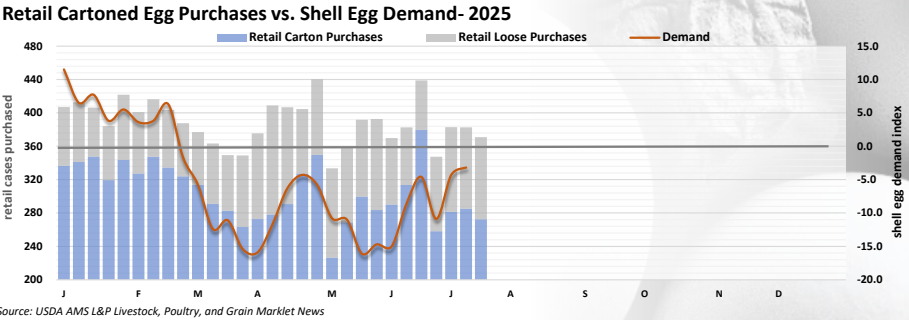
According to NASS, the May monthly volume of frozen eggs in storage increased 2% from April but remains 51% below the prior year. Stocks of whole frozen egg increased 10%, 46% below last year and the share of whole egg stocks gained 3% to a 44% share of total frozen stocks. Stocks of frozen yolk increased 4% and were 40% below the level from last year. Frozen egg whites gained 16% to a level 57% below last year. Stocks of unclassified eggs declined 6% from last month and were down 54% from last year. The share of unclassified frozen stocks declined 4% to a 46% share of total frozen stocks.

As of June 1, 2025, the estimated U.S. non-organic commercial cage-free table egg flock increased one percent to 110.7 million, 38.8% of the current U.S. table egg flock. This represents a 9% increase over the number of non-organic, cage-free table egg layers in June 2024 and a 5.6% increase in the share of the total commercial table egg flock. The USDA certified organic table egg layer flock in June was up slightly from May to 7% of the total layer flock. The ratio of caged to cage-free layers currently stands at 54/46 as compared to 55/45 last month and 60/40 last year.



Eggs Processed - Week-to-Week Change							
total	share	case yield*	whole	whites	yolks	dried	inedible
-7.4%	-2.7%	-0.21	-10.0%	-2.2%	-6.9%	-17.7%	-7.3%

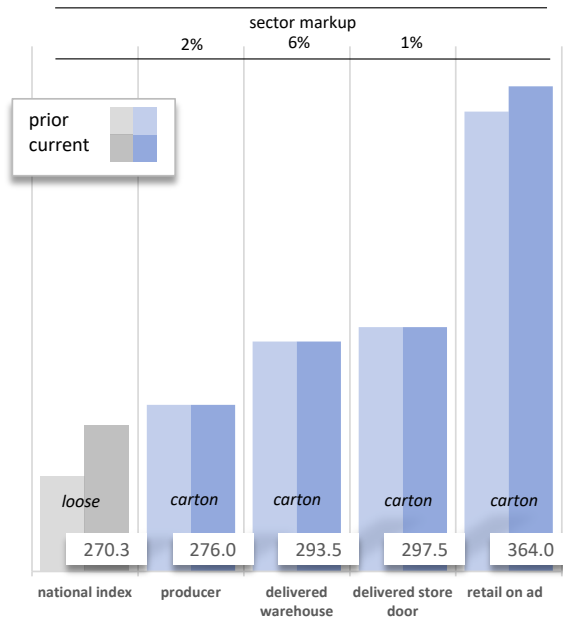
* case yield w/ inedible in pounds per case.



Shell Eggs Market Price Comparisons

(as of July 11, 2025)

(National Index on a loose-egg basis, all other prices for cartoned eggs; LG White avg prices in cents per dozen)



Producer, warehouse, & store door = MW; retail no sale NY market; retail on sale Nat'l Retail Feature; loose eggs include minimal material costs.

Key Egg Markets Overview

	11-Jul	% Change	4-Jul	27-Jun	20-Jun	13-Jun	6-Jun
SHELL EGGS <i>(Large, White, conventional in cents per dozen)</i>							
National, loose <i>(negotiated; f.o.b. dock prices)</i>	270.26	5%	256.24	253.80	272.54	265.58	262.55
California-compliant, loose, <i>(negotiated delivered)</i>	357.50	6%	337.89	322.95	308.50	292.86	278.61
Midwest, cartoned <i>(formula sales; dlvr'd to warehouse)</i>	293.50	0%	293.50	295.50	291.50	288.50	288.50
New York, cartoned <i>(formula sales; dlvd to store)</i>	323.00	6%	305.00	305.00	307.00	304.00	300.00
California-compliant, cartoned, benchmark	384.00	2%	375.00	355.00	345.00	345.00	349.00
National Retail Shell Egg <i>(avg. ad price in dollars per dozen)</i>							
Conventional Caged, Large, White	3.64	2%	3.57	2.60	3.60	2.51	3.34
UEP Cage-Free, Large, Brown	3.25	2%	3.19	3.07	3.99	3.26	4.66
EGG PRODUCTS <i>(f.o.b. shipper dock prices)</i>							
Breaking Stock <i>(negotiated; dlvd prices cents per doz)</i>	177.75	-4%	184.50	192.25	205.00	203.75	201.25
Whole Frozen Egg <i>(dollars per pound)</i>	n/a		2.30	2.40	n/a	2.39	2.80
Whole Dried Eggs <i>(dollars per pound)</i>	n/a		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Processed Share of Weekly Shell Egg Production	33.2%	-2.7%	35.8%	35.0%	35.4%	34.2%	33.2%
SHELL EGG DEMAND INDICATOR <i>(no units)</i>							
	-3.2	1.1	-4.3	-10.9	-4.6	-8.6	-15.0

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry, and Grain Market News; "n/a" = not available.

Key Shell Egg Markets Snapshot - 2025

(Large, White, Conventional Shell Eggs in cents per dozen)	11-Jul	Change	04-Jul	2025 High		2025 Low	
National, loose (negotiated; f.o.b. dock prices)	270.3	▲ 5%	256.2	816.8	03-Mar	251.7	29-May
California-compliant, loose, (negotiated delivered)	357.5	▲ 6%	337.9	996.2	26-Feb	242.9	29-May
Midwest, cartoned (formula sales; dlvr'd to warehouse)	293.5	■ 0%	293.5	841.5	28-Feb	288.5	30-May
New York, cartoned (formula sales; dlvd to store)	323.0	▲ 6%	305.0	853.0	25-Feb	300.0	29-May
California-compliant, cartoned, benchmark	384.0	▲ 2%	375.0	1035.0	28-Feb	345.0	05-Jun
Breaking Stock (negotiated; dlvd prices cents per doz)	177.8	▼ -4%	184.5	633.8	18-Feb	177.8	10-Jul
Whole Frozen Egg (dollars per pound)	n/a	■ 0%	2.30	5.31	28-Feb	2.30	03-Jul
Whole Dried Eggs (dollars per pound)	n/a	■ 0%	n/a	25.00	16-May	25.00	16-May
Natl Average Retail Ad Price - Conventional caged	3.64	▲ 2%	3.57	4.28	11-Apr	1.87	03-Jan
Natl Average Retail Ad Price - UEP Cage-free ²	3.25	▲ 2%	3.19	7.99	21-Feb	2.50	17-Jan
Shell Egg Demand Indicator	-3.2	▲ 1.1	-4.3	11.5	02-Jan	-16.1	21-May

¹ mostly high; ² non-organic

2025 Commercial Table Egg Flock HPAI Losses as of July 11, 2025

No additional outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) were reported over the past week commercial table egg flocks except for an outbreak in a flock of 342,000 table egg layer replacement pullets in Arizona. In 2025 to date, based on the latest data from APHIS, HPAI in commercial table egg layer flocks have resulted in the depopulation of 36.3 million birds. To date, USDA APHIS has confirmed 44 outbreaks in layer flocks in 10 states (AZ, CA, IA, IN, MO, NC, OH, PA, SD, and WA). The 36.3 million birds lost included 21.6 million (59.4%) in conventional caged systems and 14.8 million (40.6%) in cage-free systems. These losses represent 11.8% of the conventional caged layer flock and 14.6% of the non-organic cage-free flock on January 1, 2025.

Compared to January 1, the caged flock on June 1 was down 15% while the cage-free flock increased 9.7% and the organic table egg flock decreased 2.5%.

2025 Table Egg Layer Losses by Production System

System	Loss	Share
Conventional Caged.....	21,572,620	59%
Cage-Free.....	14,765,280	41%
Organic.....	0	0.0%
Total	36,337,900	

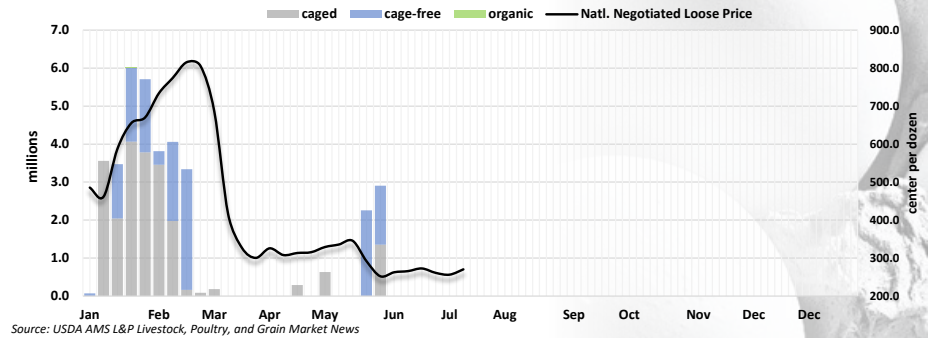
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(layers lost to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI))

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals	Share
AZ	316,600				5,164,300								5,480,900	15%
CA	75,200												75,200	0%
IA		241,600											241,600	1%
IN	2,987,200	3,591,400	187,200										6,765,800	19%
MO	3,910,300												3,910,300	11%
NC	3,314,900												3,314,900	9%
OH	7,845,300	5,408,800		293,300									13,547,400	37%
PA		2,060,100											2,060,100	6%
WA	307,800												307,800	1%
SD				633,900									633,900	2%
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Total	18,757,300	11,301,900	187,200	927,200	5,164,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,337,900	

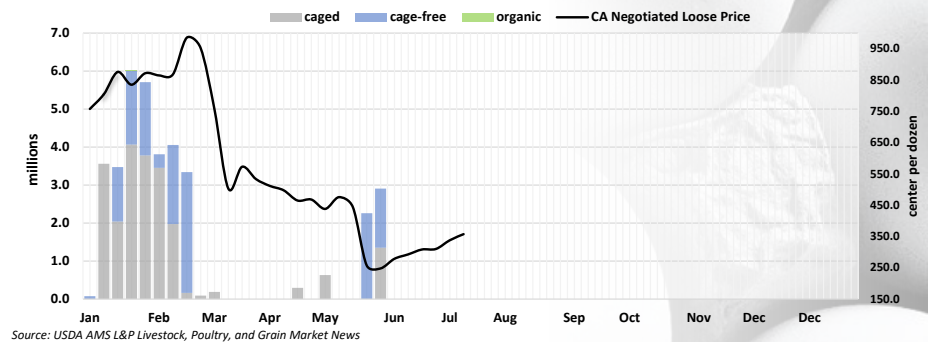
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2025 Table Egg Layer Losses by Production System v. Natl Loose Egg Price



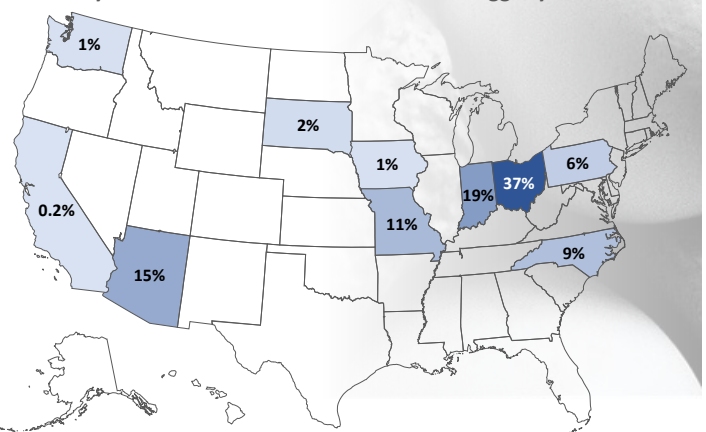
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2025 Table Egg Layer Losses by Production System v. California Cage-Free Loose Egg Price



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Share by State of Total 2025 Commercial Table Egg Layer Losses



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