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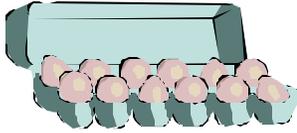
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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices were unchanged to lower in all areas except for New York and Chicago. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Demand was generally light to moderate and best where limited feature activity was in progress. Supplies for mediums were tight to ample and the larger sized eggs were adequate to ample. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light demand, as dealers cautiously watched further market trends. Light type hens were fully adequate for the unaggressive demand.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 3.5 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged to 5 cents lower for mediums; in Boston, prices were unchanged to 5 cents lower on extra large and medium and unchanged to 4 cents lower on large, when based on previous week average prices. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Demand was light to moderate, best where featured. Supplies were tight to ample for mediums and adequate to ample for the large sizes. Large 18 pack eggs were advertised at 79 cent per dozen with limit of 4 in the Philadelphia area. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light demand as dealers cautiously watched further market developments. Light type hens were fully adequate for the unaggressive demand.

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Demand was generally light to moderate and best where features were in progress. Large eggs were on special for 79 cents per dozen with a limit of 4. Supplies were tight to ample for mediums and adequate to ample on the large sizes.

**MIDWEST EGGS** Prices in Detroit and major Ohio cities were mostly 6 cents lower for all sizes. Prices in major Wisconsin cities were 6 cents lower extra large and large and 5 cents lower for medium. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak. Cartoned egg sales were light to moderate. Food service movement was moderate to instances good, best into vacation and resort areas. Supplies were adequate to ample, mostly fully adequate.

**SOUTHERN EGG** In Atlanta and Florida, prices were sharply lower. The market tone was unsettled and usually in a range of barely steady to weak. Demand was generally light, with limited feature activity reported for the holiday week. Supplies were short to ample on mediums with larger sizes in a workable position. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending June 30, 2000 was 63.27 cents, .50 cents less than the week before, however, 21.03 more than the same week last year. Breaking stock offerings range from adequate to fully adequate for the light demand, with most traders cautiously watching further market developments.

**WESTERN** Prices throughout the region 3 cents lower on jumbo, 6 cents lower on extra large, and 5 cents lower on medium and small, with large 8 cents lower in California and 6 cents lower in the Northwest. The Pacific region inventory was 8% lower than last Monday with California down 15% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 8%. Retailer demand fair. Offerings ample.

**PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	93-95	85-87	57-59
New York	61-63	58-61	41-44
Philadelphia	59-64	57-62	40-45
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	51-52	49-51	32-33
Jackson (1)	61-62	58-59	41-42
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	NOT AVAILABLE		
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	48-53	47-52	32-37
Detroit (2)	45-48	44-47	28-31
Major Ohio Cities (2)	46-52.5	45-51	29-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	49-56	47-54	32-39
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	66-68	61-63	48-50
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	85	76	60
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

**CALIFORNIA** Prices 3 cents lower on jumbo, 6 cents lower on extra large, 8 cents lower on large, and 5 cents lower on medium and small. The California inventory was 15% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand fair. Offerings ample. Small invoice price 40. Ads in Northern California: major-large dozen 119, 18 pack 159. PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	104		
EXTRA LARGE	85		
LARGE	76		
MEDIUM	60		
PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.			
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>		<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	229-289	JUMBO	239-259
EXTRA LARGE	229-279	EXTRA LARGE	209-239
LARGE	199-209	LARGE	189-229
MEDIUM	187-199	MEDIUM	149-189

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 07, 2000 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 30, 2000 were 306,121 cases which was 21 percent above the prior week and 13 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	270,518	35,603	306,121

% change from the prior week..... +28 -15 +21  
 Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices unchanged. Demand was light as breakers worked from existing inventories and regular commitments. Offerings fully adequate. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	26-30	27-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	12-15	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:  
 AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices were about unchanged from the past week. Demand was only moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules for the holiday week were reduced with sales slow to no better than fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-JUL-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-12.75	7-8.25	7.72

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority trading was unchanged to lower than a week earlier. Offerings were ample for a light and unaggressive demand. Processing schedules were reduced for current week. The market tone was barely steady to mostly weak.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-JUL-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.75-14	3.75-8.25	6.55

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT  
 FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM July 03,2000**

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
 (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		Northeast	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	4.1	13.1	5.7	11.5	10.5	44.9
	Change	-0.9	0.0	-0.4	0.8	1.3	2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	18.7	48.7	12.8	29.3	21.9	131.4
	Change	-4.0	4.4	1.0	2.2	0.1	3%
Large	Curr Wk	33.0	103.4	51.1	65.4	98.7	351.6
	Change	-2.5	12.4	3.4	-2.2	-6.3	1%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.5	21.4	19.6	21.2	25.3	100.0
	Change	-0.7	-5.4	-0.1	-1.7	-7.0	-13%
Small	Curr Wk	4.2	8.2	3.3	6.0	3.4	25.1
	Change	0.0	1.2	0.2	-2.6	-0.1	-5%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.5	14.6	8.0	12.3	7.0	46.4
	Change	-0.6	-3.2	1.6	-3.1	0.2	-10%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.5	47.2	15.9	21.0	32.6	136.2
	Change	0.8	4.7	1.2	-6.3	-4.4	-3%
Total	Curr Wk	96.5	256.6	116.4	166.7	199.4	835.6
	Percent Change	-8%	6%	6%	-7%	-8%	-2%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	835.6	-2%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	398.3	1%	39
Total Shell Egg	1233.9	-1%	209

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

The five inventory areas are identified as:  
 Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
 North Central- IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
 South Central- AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
 South Atlantic- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
 Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**CANADIAN EGGS** MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2000

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	165	161.9	152.9	109.9

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 26, 2000 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	129	129	119	77

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 30, 2000

CURRENT LOADS							FUTURE LOADS							TOTAL LOADS						
SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST							
GNR W 1	34.00	—	35.50	37.00	—	—	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	—							
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	26.00	29.00	GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—							
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	23.00	24.00	GL W LG	29.00	—	—	—	—	37.00							
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	—	23.00							1.00							
GL W XL	—	—	—	44.00	40.00	—							1.00							
GL W LG	—	—	36.00	38.00	—	—							3.00							
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—							1.00							
GL W SM	—	24.00	19.00	20.50	—	—							2.00							
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—							12.00							
NRBS - 36	—	—	8.00	9.50	—	17.00							1.25							

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.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 06/24/00-06/30/00

CURRENT LOADS							FUTURE LOADS							TOTAL LOADS						
SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS							
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST							
GNR W 1	37.00	40.33	38.50	40.11	—	—	GNR W 1	—	37.00	—	—	—	—							
GNR W 2	—	—	—	33.00	28.50	31.67	GNR W 2	—	34.33	—	—	—	—							
GNR W 3	—	—	25.50	27.00	24.00	25.50	GL W XL	33.00	36.00	—	—	—	40.33							
GNR W 4	—	—	17.00	18.00	22.00	23.50	GL W LG	29.67	—	—	—	—	37.68							
GNR BR 1	—	—	38.00	39.00	—	52.50	GL W MD	23.00	28.00	—	28.50	27.00	27.67							
GL W XL	—	36.00	40.00	44.00	37.65	—	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	22.75	24.00							
GL W LG	—	38.00	35.06	37.25	29.29	—	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—							
GL W MD	20.00	21.00	26.80	26.86	18.00	26.25							1.00							
GL W SM	—	24.00	20.63	23.00	—	—							7.00							
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	26.87	29.02							39.00							
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	16.50	18.00							2.00							
NRBS - 36	—	—	10.50	11.75	—	17.00							1.50							

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**NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 06/18/00 - 06/24/00**

Origin State	AR	CA	CO	IL	IA	MN	MO	MT	NV	OH	OR	PA	UT	TOTAL
N. CA	0	3	0	0	1,714	0	0	0	0	0	2,825	0	840	5,382
C. CA	0	0	720	0	3,230	3,270	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,400	8,620
S. CA	800	600	3,348	1,303	10,878	5,140	850	810	306	2,533	0	200	4,268	31,036
TTL STATE	800	603	4,068	1,303	15,822	8,410	850	810	306	2,533	2,825	200	6,508	45,038

SHIPPED TO MILITARY: 0

**NEW ENGLAND**

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	<b>RANGE</b>
JUMBO	117-120
EXTRA LARGE	74-77
LARGE	66-69
MEDIUM	38-41
SMALL	15-18

**DETROIT EGGS**

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	<b>RANGE</b>
JUMBO	53-56
EXTRA LARGE	44-50
LARGE	42-47
MEDIUM	26-31
SMALL	22-26

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN**

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	<b>RANGE</b>
LARGE	28-30
MEDIUM	14-16
SMALL	12-14

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	<b>MOSTLY</b>
LARGE	68.12
MEDIUM	50.71
SMALL	41.35

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS** (In Thousands)

<b>ON HAND</b>	<u>06/26/00</u>	<u>06/19/00</u>	<u>06/28/99</u>
PACIFIC COAST	470	247	60
LOS ANGELES	377	168	36

**HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS**

PRICES DELIVERED

TO RETAILERS, GRADE A STORE DOOR JUNE 27, 2000:

	<b>CARTONS</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
EX-LARGE	149-155	153.36
LARGE	143-150	148.14
MEDIUM	124-135	132.10
SMALL	105-109	106.04

Receipts from the mainland: 06/18/00-06/24/00  
30-dozen cases 2,880

Receipts from the mainland: 06/11/00-06/17/00  
30-dozen cases 1,954

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