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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged. In the Midwest and Chicago, prices were higher on all sizes. In most other regions, prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Demand was in a full range of light to good, best where features were in progress. Supplies were adequate to close, instances tight in the Midwest due to high temperatures. Breaking stock offerings were adequate for the moderate demand. Light type fowl were fully adequate for current slaughter schedules.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 3 cents higher for the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums; in Boston, prices ranged 1-5 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums, when based on previous week averages. Prices paid to producers in New England were 2 cents higher on jumbo, 1 cent higher on extra large, and unchanged on the balance of sizes. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Demand ranged moderate to good, best where featured. Supplies were generally adequate for trade requirements. Breaking stock demand was moderate for fully sufficient offerings. Light type hens were fully adequate to ample for the light demand.

**MIDWEST** Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin up 3 cents for large and increased 1 cent on mediums. Prices in other areas were higher on larger sizes and unchanged to 1 cent higher on mediums. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement remains good, best into resort and vacation areas. Supplies were adequate to tight on the larger sizes as high heat and humidity affects egg size in some areas. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings adequate with lighter weight product more available. Regular commitments and company owned production usually satisfy needs. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.

**CHICAGO** Prices for extra large and large increased 2 cents, mediums advanced 1 cent. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand ranged from light to good, best where features are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate to closely balanced with larger size eggs in the best position.

**SOUTHERN** In Atlanta and Florida, prices were higher on the larger sizes but unchanged to lower on the lighter weight eggs. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand was mostly moderate, best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were usually adequate for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending July 20, 2001 was 54.40 cents, unchanged from the previous week, but 1.05 cents less than the same week last year. Breaking stock offerings were adequate for the moderate demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for current slaughter requirements.

**WESTERN** The market tone was firm on large through jumbo, steady on smaller sizes. Prices in California were 8 cents higher on jumbo, 6 cent higher on large and extra large, unchanged on smaller sizes; in the Northwest large, extra large and jumbo were 7 cents higher and unchanged on smaller sizes. The Pacific inventory was unchanged from last Monday with California down 5 percent and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 12 percent. Retailer demand was moderate to good best to cover features. Offerings adequate on smaller sizes tight on larger sizes.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Demand was moderate to good, best where features were in progress. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced, larger sizes held with confidence.

**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	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	97-100	84-87	59-61
New York	64-66	61-64	41-44
Philadelphia	58-64	56-62	39-41
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	57-58	55.5-57	32-33
Jackson (1)	69-70	66-67	42-43
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	65-78	62-76	37-51
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	55-60	54-59	33-38
Detroit (2)	52-55	51-54	29-32
Major Ohio Cities (2)	49-58	48-56	29-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	56-63	54-61	33-40
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	73-75	67-70	45-48
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	91	83	63
(1) - Prices reported weekly			
(2) - Delivered Warehouse			
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

**CALIFORNIA** Prices were 8 cents higher on jumbo, 6 cents higher on extra large and large, unchanged on medium and small. The market tone was fully steady. The California inventory was down 5 percent compared to last week. Retailer demand good where features planned elsewhere moderate. Offerings in fair balance on larger sizes and adequate on smaller sizes. Small invoice price 43.

**PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	104		
EXTRA LARGE	91		
LARGE	83		
MEDIUM	63		
<b>PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.</b>			
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>		<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-289	JUMBO	249-289
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	215-249
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	188-239
MEDIUM	149-199	MEDIUM	175-199

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 27, 2001 will decrease by 2 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 20, 2001 were 244,068 cases which was 3 percent below the prior week and 1 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	200,714	43,354	244,068
% change from the prior week.....	-06	+12	-3

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 were unchanged. Offerings were adequate with regular commitments and company owned production usually sufficient for current needs. Demand was moderate and centered around the more available lighter weight product. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment steady.  
 PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	29-31	30-31
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	12-16	

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 slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair with current schedules sufficient for needs. Trade sentiment was at least steady.  
 HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-JUL-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.5-11.25	7-9	8.10

WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged, even though some trading was noted at lower values than a week earlier. Demand was fair for adequate to fully adequate offerings. However, hatching eggs are being reported as short in some locations. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were irregular for trade needs. The undertone was mostly steady.  
 HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-JUL-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.5-10.5	8-9	8.01
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 23, 2001**

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

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.6	15.0	4.8	10.0	12.0 50.4
	Change	0.6	-0.1	-0.7	0.3	2.6 6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.0	34.8	11.9	18.6	20.1 112.4
	Change	0.8	-8.0	1.4	-0.2	-1.2 -6%
Large	Curr Wk	33.8	86.3	55.0	68.5	70.2 313.8
	Change	-0.1	1.2	5.7	5.3	4.3 6%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.8	40.1	20.4	27.2	28.2 130.7
	Change	-5.2	3.2	-6.6	-2.1	0.0 -8%
Small	Curr Wk	8.1	7.9	3.0	9.8	6.6 35.4
	Change	0.8	0.0	0.9	2.6	0.2 15%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.9	19.4	8.3	13.1	4.8 50.5
	Change	-2.5	-1.9	1.3	0.4	-2.5 -9%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	20.1	62.4	18.7	19.8	26.2 147.2
	Change	-3.8	0.8	2.3	2.3	-2.7 -1%
Total	Curr Wk	117.3	265.9	122.1	167.0	168.1 840.4
Percent	Change	-7%	-2%	4%	5%	0% 0%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change	Number of Cooperators	

Shell Egg	840.4	0%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	307.8	4%	38

Total Shell Egg	1148.2	1%	209
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1/Information is supplied by a universe of 171 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.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
	126.7	270.7	117.8	158.4	167.4 841.0

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.

**CANADIAN EGGS** MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 09, 2001

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	178.8	175.8	166.7	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JULY 09, 2001 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	139	139	129	77

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 20, 2001

CURRENT LOADS							23.00	FUTURE LOADS							10.25	TOTAL LOADS							33.25
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	39.00	43.50	38.50	40.00	44.33	—	12.00	GNR W 1	—	49.22	—	—	—	—	—	9.00							
GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.75	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	55.50	2.00							
GL W LG	—	—	42.00	44.00	46.00	—	6.00																
GL W MD	—	—	20.00	22.00	28.00	30.00	2.50																
GL W SM	22.13	23.38	19.50	21.75	—	—	4.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	29.00	30.00	6.00																
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	18.00	21.00	1.00																

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 07/16-20/01

CURRENT LOADS							119.00	FUTURE LOADS							61.75	TOTAL LOADS							180.70
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	34.00	40.80	36.00	36.13	44.23	47.00	52.00	GNR W 1	42.50	48.80	—	—	—	52.00	16.00								
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	26.50	27.50	8.00	GNR W 3	—	30.00	—	—	—	—	3.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	31.83	33.33	—	—	3.00	GNR BR 1	39.00	42.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W J	—	—	—	—	56.00	60.00	.75	GL W XL	—	48.00	—	57.00	—	52.00	11.00								
GL W XL	40.00	42.00	39.18	42.43	41.36	—	24.00	GL W LG	40.00	43.43	—	55.20	—	54.91	22.50								
GL W LG	—	48.50	37.63	40.33	43.02	—	29.25	GL W MD	21.20	—	—	—	—	27.50	7.00								
GL W MD	22.00	23.00	20.50	22.33	26.00	26.14	13.25	NRBS - 45	21.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W SM	21.92	23.42	19.50	22.00	—	—	6.00	NRBS - 36	—	20.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	40.00	39.00	28.91	30.44	28.50																
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	25.00	1.00																
NRBS - 36	—	—	13.00	—	15.50	18.50	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.

**NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 07/08/01 - 07/14/01**

State	# Cases Shipped To		Total State
	Northern, CA	Central, CA	
California	0	0	1,680
Colorado	0	0	8,774
Iowa	1,560	960	34,687
Maine	0	0	800
Michigan	0	0	1,650
Minnesota	0	3,320	4,120
Missouri	0	0	4,776
Montana	0	0	528
Nevada	0	0	306
New Hampshire	0	3	810
New Mexico	0	0	750
Ohio	0	0	2,510
Oregon	2,474	462	0
Texas	0	0	810
Utah	3,192	0	3,873
Washington	0	0	462
Wisconsin	0	0	2,580
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,226</b>	<b>4,742</b>	<b>68,654</b>
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	7,226	4,742	68,654

**NEW ENGLAND**

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

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
119-122	79-82	67-70	40-43	17-20

**DETROIT EGGS**

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

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
60-63	51-57	49-54	27-32	22-26

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN**

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
32-35	11-13	6-9

**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.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
71.86	70.08	48.49	43.27

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

ON HAND	<u>07/16/01</u>	<u>07/09/01</u>	<u>07/17/00</u>
PACIFIC COAST	254	366	765
LOS ANGELES	200	299	687

**HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS**

LOCAL EGG MARKET PRICES AND INVENTORY FROM LOCAL PRODUCERS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF PUBLICATION

Receipts from the mainland: 07/8/01-07/14/01  
 30-dozen cases 5,785  
 Receipts from the mainland: 07/1/01-07/7/01  
 30-dozen cases 4,612

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