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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were lower on all sizes in the Southern and Midwest regions. In Philadelphia, prices were slightly lower on mediums and unchanged on the balance of sizes. Prices in most other locations were unchanged. The market tone was about steady to weak in the Midwest with other areas cautious and watching further market developments. Demand was mostly moderate. However, floorstocks remain available. Supplies were adequate to occasionally ample for trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to fully adequate and demand was light to moderate. Light type hens were fully sufficient for current processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to .5 cents lower on mediums and unchanged on the larger sizes when based on previous week average pricing. In Boston and New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady. Demand was light to usually moderate, but fairly good where items were featured. Supplies were adequate to available, instances ample. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light demand. Light type hens were fully adequate for the light and unaggressive demand.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were 2 cents lower for all sizes. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady to weak. Retail demand was slow to at times good. Food service movement was usually moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for all sizes. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate for the adequate to mostly fully adequate offerings of heavy nest runs. Supplies were usually fully adequate for current production requirements with breakers in need having little difficulty finding fill-in-product. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment barely steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone steady to weak. Retail and food service demand was mostly moderate and best where features are a factor. Supplies adequate or available.

SOUTHERN Prices were lower in Atlanta and in Florida. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was about steady with some caution noted entering the week. Demand was light to moderate, best where limited features were in progress for this week. Supplies were adequate to available 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 September 7, 2001 was 60.24 cents, unchanged from a week ago, but 5.80 cents less than the same week last year. Breaking stock demand was light and supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Light type hens were fully sufficient for regular slaughter schedules.

WESTERN Prices in California 6 cents lower on jumbo, 4 cents lower on extra large and large, and 2 cents lower on medium and small; 2 cents lower on all sizes in the Northwest. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last Monday with California down 3% and Oregon-Washington-Utah unchanged. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings much lighter, particularly from outside the region.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was about steady with some caution noted. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs.

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		
NORTHEAST CITIES	LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	98-100	85-87	59-61
New York	63-65	60-63	41-44
Philadelphia	61-63	59-61	40-41.5

SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	52-53	50.5-52	31-32
Jackson (1)	63-64	59-60	40-41
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	60-72	56-70	37-51

MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	50-55	49-54	32-37
Detroit (2)	47-50	46-49	28-31
Major Ohio Cities (2)	48-54	47-52	29-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	51-59	49-56	32-39

WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	65-68	60-64	40-45
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	87	78	63

(1) - Prices reported weekly
(2) - Delivered Warehouse
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

CALIFORNIA Prices 6 cents lower on jumbo, 4 cents lower on extra large and large, and 2 cents lower on medium and small. The California inventory was 3% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand light to moderate, best where features planned. Offerings much lighter. Small invoice price 43. Ads in Northern California: major- large dozen buy 1 get 1 free. PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	101
EXTRA LARGE	87
LARGE	78
MEDIUM	63

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-289	JUMBO	249-279
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	219-249
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	189-239
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	179-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending September 14, 2001 will increase by 3 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending September 07, 2001 were 240,174 cases which was 1 percent above the prior week and 1 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	205,943	34,231	240,174
% change from the prior week.....	+2	-6	+1

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 to moderate for the adequate to mostly fully adequate offerings of heavy nest runs. Supplies were usually fully adequate for current production requirements with breakers in need having little difficulty finding fill-in product. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment barely 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	28-31	28-30
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-15	

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 Trading levels were slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand for spent hens was moderate with offerings fully adequate for needs. Finished sales were fair with current schedules fully adequate for needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady.
 HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-SEP-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-11.5	8-9	8.45

WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to fair for the mostly fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Canner supplies were more than sufficient 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 10-SEP-01

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4.5-10.5	7.5-9	8.09
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 Sep 10, 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	7.9	19.5	6.1	9.4	12.9 55.8
	Change	0.5	0.8	-0.3	0.6	4.1 11%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	16.8	59.2	12.6	22.2	25.3 136.1
	Change	-8.4	8.4	-1.6	-4.8	1.8 -3%
Large	Curr Wk	30.1	99.4	72.4	84.1	84.5 370.5
	Change	-0.7	-5.8	0.5	-0.6	-8.0 -4%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.1	46.6	24.0	27.1	23.6 135.4
	Change	0.0	8.8	-1.6	-1.3	-1.0 4%
Small	Curr Wk	4.6	11.6	6.4	6.1	7.4 36.1
	Change	-1.3	0.8	-1.0	0.0	0.3 -3%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.3	21.6	6.2	10.3	6.6 50.0
	Change	-0.5	3.3	-0.6	-1.0	0.2 3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	25.1	63.5	28.3	35.5	33.5 185.9
	Change	-1.4	3.0	7.1	-0.8	-0.5 4%
Total	Curr Wk	103.9	321.4	156.0	194.7	193.8 969.8
Percent	Change	-10%	6%	2%	-4%	-2% 0%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	969.8	0%	172
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	305.0	-2%	38
Total Shell Egg	1274.8	-1%	210

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 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.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2001

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	178.8	175.8	166.7	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 27, 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 SEPTEMBER 7, 2001

CURRENT LOADS							15.00	FUTURE LOADS							9.00	TOTAL LOADS							24.00
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	33.00	—	33.50	35.00	—	—	3.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	41.75	2.00							
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	22.50	24.50	1.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	40.75	2.00							
GL W XL	—	—	42.00	43.50	34.83	—	6.75	GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00							
GL W LG	—	—	—	41.00	33.00	—	5.25																
GL W MD	—	—	22.00	23.00	—	—	1.25																
NRBS - 48	—	—	25.00	26.00	26.75	29.50	4.75																
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	23.25	25.00	1.00																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	18.50	20.50	1.00																

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 09/03/01-09/07/01

CURRENT LOADS							75.00	FUTURE LOADS							30.00	TOTAL LOADS							105.00
SE			NE		MW		LOADS	SC			NW		MW		LOADS								
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST									
GNR W 1	33.00	37.75	34.17	36.00	—	34.40	22.00	GNR BR 1	—	44.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GNR W 2	—	31.00	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	53.00	53.00	1.50								
GNR W 3	21.00	24.00	21.00	—	22.50	25.00	3.00	GL W XL	38.00	42.13	—	—	—	46.19	10.75								
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W LG	38.00	40.00	—	—	—	40.21	9.00								
GL W J	—	—	—	—	39.00	—	.75	GL W MD	—	25.50	23.50	—	—	28.81	5.25								
GL W XL	—	45.07	42.17	44.52	35.65	44.50	36.50	NRBS - 42	18.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W LG	—	42.75	36.25	41.00	31.96	39.00	19.25	NRBS - 36	—	19.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W MD	—	—	22.94	24.88	24.12	27.00	9.50																
GL W SM	—	—	17.00	18.50	—	—	1.00																
NRBS - 48	26.50	—	25.50	26.50	27.84	28.71	28.00																
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	23.38	26.33	3.00																
NRBS - 42	—	—	17.00	18.00	18.50	21.25	2.50																
NRBS - 39	16.00	—	—	—	13.50	17.56	9.00																
NRBS - 36	15.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00																

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 08/26/01 - 09/01/01

State	# Cases Shipped To		# Cases Shipped To		# Cases Shipped To	Total State
	Northern,	CA	Central,	CA		
Arizona		0		0	192	192
Colorado		0		0	23,379	23,379
Iowa		5,273		0	15,924	21,197
Michigan		0		0	840	840
Minnesota		0		0	3,880	3,880
Missouri		0		780	2,758	3,538
Ohio		0		0	3,298	3,298
Oregon		1,610		3,640	0	5,250
Utah		27,325		2,160	3,830	33,315
Virginia		0		660	0	660
Washington		0		238	0	238
Wisconsin		900		0	960	1,860
TOTAL		35,108		7,478	55,061	97,647
SHIPPED TO MILITARY		0		0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY		35,108		7,478	55,061	97,647

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
125-128	79-82	66-69	40-43	14-17

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
55-58	46-52	44-49	26-31	16-20

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
27-30	10-13	2

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
71.65	68.34	49.34	36.27

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	<u>09/03/01</u>	<u>08/27/01</u>	<u>09/04/00</u>
PACIFIC COAST	428	227	537
LOS ANGELES	0	0	464

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: 08/26/01-09/1/01
 30-dozen cases 5,316
 Receipts from the mainland: 08/19/01-08/25/01
 30-dozen cases 5,833

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