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**By Executive Order, the President has designated Monday, December 24, 2001, a Federal holiday. Reports that would normally be released on that Monday will be released on Wednesday, December 26, 2001.**

## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In Chicago, prices advanced 1 cent on medium and continued unchanged on the balance. Prices were unchanged in most other areas. The market tone was steady entering the holiday weekend. Demand ranged light to good. Supplies were usually adequate to well balanced. In the Central region, breaking stock supplies were adequate to instances fully adequate while the Eastern region reported ample to burdensome offerings. Demand for additional product was light. Light type fowl were mostly adequate for the fair at best demand.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** Prices were unchanged in all locations entering the weekend. The market tone was steady on both white and brown eggs. Demand was moderate to good as the upcoming holiday approaches. Supplies were generally adequate for current needs. Breaking stock supplies were ample to burdensome and demand was light. Demand for light type hens was fair and generally unaggressive for a fair at best demand.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady as the week ended. Retail demand was moderate to good for the upcoming holiday. Supplies were sufficient for needs.

**MIDWEST** Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were 1 cent higher for medium and were unchanged for large and small. Prices in other reported areas were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was mostly good for the last minute holiday orders. Food service movement about moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to well balanced. Central states breaking stock prices unchanged. Offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate with demand mostly light as the Christmas holiday quickly approaches. Floor stocks in close balance with reduced production schedules for next week. Trade sentiment steady at the current quoted mostly values.

**CHICAGO** Prices for mediums increased 1 cent, larger sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand in a full range mostly moderate to good, best for features that are a factor. Supplies generally adequate.

**SOUTHERN** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending higher on mediums but unchanged on the balance. The market tone was usually steady to occasionally fully steady entering the holiday weekend. Demand was in a full range of light to good. Supplies were generally adequate for present needs. Breaking stock demand was light and offerings were ample to burdensome. Light type fowl were mostly adequate for normal to less than normal schedules.

**WEST COAST** Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady on the large sizes, firm on medium with asking prices for next week throughout the region unchanged on jumbo, extra large, and large, 4 cents higher on medium. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings short of full needs for early next week due to trucking shortages.

## 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.

### NORTHEAST CITIES

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	100-102	92-94	69-71
New York	69-71	66-69	52-55
Philadelphia	66.5-69	64.5-67	47-52

### SOUTHERN CITIES

Atlanta (1) (2)	57-58	55.5-57	40-41
Jackson (1)	65-66	64-65	49-50
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	62-72	61-71	45-55

### MIDWEST CITIES

Chicago	57-62	56-61	44-49
Detroit (2)	54-57	53-56	36-39
Major Ohio Cities (2) 55-61	54-59	37-43	
Major Wisconsin Cities	58-65	56-63	40-47

### WESTERN CITIES

Houston (1)	72-75	68-71	52-55
Southern California (Grade AA)(4)	81-91	78-85	63-69
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	94	88	73
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(3) - Reported Invoice prices		
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - Prices to Retailers		

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady on the large sizes with asking prices for next week unchanged on jumbo, extra large, and large; firm on the lighter sizes with asking prices 4 cents higher on medium and small. Retailer demand seasonally good. Holiday supplies clearing well with spot shortages reported for early next week due to difficulty securing transportation. Small invoice price 53. Ads in Southern California: major - large 18 pack 2 for \$3; smaller outlets- jumbo dozen 99, extra large dozen 99, large dozen 99.

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	96
EXTRA LARGE	94
LARGE	88
MEDIUM	73

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

## PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	83-93
EXTRA LARGE	81-91
LARGE	78-85
MEDIUM	63-69

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-289
EXTRA LARGE	229-269
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	179-199

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices unchanged. Offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate with demand mostly light as the Christmas holiday quickly approaches. Floor stocks in close balance with reduced production schedules for next week. Trade sentiment steady at the current quoted mostly values.

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	11-16	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

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

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Mostly prices on checks and undergrades were lower and unchanged to lower on nest run breaking stock when compared to early week trading. Traders were cautious for the ample to burdensome offerings. The market tone was mixed but generally barely steady. Demand was light with buyers watching further market developments. In the Eastern region cases broken under federal inspection for the week ending 15 Dec. 2001 were 3 % more than last week, and 8 % more than a year ago, also total cases broken this year were about 9 % less than a year earlier. Total cases broken nationally were about unchanged when compared to the previous year.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS,

	RANGE	MOSTLY
CENTS PER DOZEN		
NEST RUN	23-30	25-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-18	12-16

EASTERN REGION AREA:

AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION -** W/E 15-Dec-01  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

\*\*\*Correction on Liquid Yolk, previous week, to-date 2001 adjusted as well as average yield.\*\*\*

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,219,871	27,010	12,716	6,786	3,073	4,395
PW	1,251,878	27,715	13,257	*7,026*	3,002	4,622
LY	1,013,161	24,362	9,159	4,899	1,838	3,594
% PW	-3	-3	-4	-3	2	-5
% LY	20	11	39	39	67	22
2001	58,130,472	1,320,555	582,851	*311,484*	128,973	207,594
2000	58,220,764	1,328,224	578,217	311,275	137,330	195,038
*% CHG YTD	0	-1	1	0	-6	6

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE-	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.73	*42.03*	41.47
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.13	*38.34*	37.92

**NATIONAL LIQUID EGGS** No pasteurized whites reported, with pasteurized salt yolk reported from 56.50 to 64 cents fob. Trade sentiment was barely steady for whole egg, steady for whites and barely steady to weak for yolk. Offerings were usually adequate for liquid products with many operators adjusting schedules due to the upcoming holiday weeks. Demand was fairly good to good with many breakers working heavy schedules this week to clear incoming breaking stock inventories. Liquid movement for next week was reported as very light at this call. Breaking stock supplies were in close balance with needs with prices slightly lower when compared to last week. Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 21 December, 2001 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	31	24.5-29	27.06	-2.04
WHITES	18	5.5-12.75	9.53	-.04
YOLKS	11	61-64	62.64	-4.54

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Mostly prices were generally unchanged on whole eggs, unchanged to lower on other items, with yolks values in the weakest position when compared to previous week's trading. Demand was seasonally light and limited for the available offerings. The undertone continued barely steady to weak. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending December 15, 2001 were 1% lower than the previous week, but 12% higher than the same week last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY

WHOLE	39-46	42-43	48-52
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		65-80
WHITES	22-32	22-25	28-48
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80	79-80	81-92
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	72-76	73-75	77-90

(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Frozen mostly prices were unchanged to 1 cent lower for whole egg, unchanged for whites and 3 to 5 cents lower for sugar and salt yolk. Trade sentiment was steady for whole egg and whites and barely steady to weak for sugar and salt yolk at the current quoted mostly value. Offerings continued adequate to instances fully adequate for all frozen products with inventories building in many locations. Demand was seasonally light to moderate and was very quiet going into the holiday weeks ahead. Breaking stock supplies were balanced to adequate with prices slightly lower when compared to last week.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE		41-43	42-43
WHITES		22-32	22-25
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)		77-80	77-79
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)		73-76	73-75

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices 3 cents lower on whole, unchanged on whites, and 5 cents lower on yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 12/15 was 2% more than the previous week. Breaking stock light. Frozen demand slowed with freezer stocks in good balance.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	47-50
WHITES	29-32
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	81-84
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG** Mostly prices were unchanged on blends, other items the mostly values were lower on limited sales when compared to a week earlier. Trading and demand was seasonally light. Supplies were adequate for trade requirements. The undertone was somewhat cautious and barely steady at prevailing price levels. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending December 15, 2001 were 2 % higher than the previous week, and 67% higher than the same week last year. The overall total dried egg year to date change was 6% lower than a year earlier.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.49-1.70	MOSTLY	1.50-1.58
YOLKS	1.60-2.25	MOSTLY	1.85-1.90
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.85-2.50	MOSTLY	1.89-2.00
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.15-1.30	MOSTLY	1.20-1.25

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR DEC 07, 2001-DEC 13, 2001

CURRENT LOADS			FUTURE LOADS			TOTAL LOADS											
96.00			91.75			187.75											
SE			NE			MW			SC			NW			SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W XL	35.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GNR W XL	—	40.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
GNR W 1	40.67	42.35	41.75	42.81	38.84	39.88	48.75	GNR W 1	39.94	41.92	—	—	—	46.50	14.00		
GNR W 2	39.00	42.50	—	37.00	35.54	32.75	9.75	GNR W 2	—	40.00	—	—	—	44.25	5.00		
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	23.50	26.50	6.00	GNR W 4	—	30.50	—	—	—	—	4.00		
GNR BR 1	54.00	—	—	—	—	—	.75	GNR BR 1	—	58.00	—	—	—	—	.75		
GL W XL	—	49.15	48.90	51.63	47.83	—	31.75	GL W J	48.50	—	—	—	—	54.00	1.00		
GL W LG	—	48.66	47.25	51.33	46.40	—	22.25	GL W XL	49.00	—	—	—	—	55.74	7.00		
GL W MD	—	33.75	34.33	32.00	—	38.25	12.50	GL W LG	48.29	50.67	—	—	—	54.07	7.75		
GL W SM	26.00	28.00	24.50	26.50	—	—	3.00	GL W MD	33.00	34.67	—	—	—	—	4.00		
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	NRBS - 39	—	21.00	—	—	—	—	1.00		
NRBS - 48	—	24.50	27.00	28.67	25.96	29.71	26.25										
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	25.50	1.00										
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	23.67	1.50										
NRBS - 39	—	—	17.33	18.67	17.00	18.98	19.00										
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	—	13.50	.50										

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.

**EASTERN LIGHT** Prices were unchanged. Demand was fair at best and generally unaggressive. Offerings were mostly adequate. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. Cannery movement was mostly moderate and well cleared. The undertone was steady.

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices unchanged. Offerings were at least fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Slaughter schedules reduced in observance of the Christmas holiday for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Trading was too few to report. Demand was fair for fully adequate supplies of light fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slowing. Trade sentiment was about steady.

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked mainly full schedules this week but schedules sharply curtailed next week due to the holiday. Offerings ample.

**LIVE TYPE HENS**

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0 (1)	
Eastern Light	0-0 (2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR (2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR (1)	
No. Central Light	0 (2)	
(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading		
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT		

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 21-DEC-01 AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	69.45	67.07	51.46
SOUTHERN	62.11	60.98	45.19
MIDWEST	58.39	57.13	41.49
WESTERN	87.27	82.31	66.92
TWELVE METRO AREAS	72.75	69.78	54.24

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS.

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were sufficient on lights, good balance to tight on heavies. Undertone was generally steady on lights; at least steady to fully steady on heavies.

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, W/O FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
26-27.5 MAJORITY 26.5	31-38 MAJORITY 33-35

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
26-28.5 MAJORITY 26.5-27	32.5-41 MAJORITY 35-36.5

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 15-Dec-01 (PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,945	1,403	3,348
LAST WEEK	1,901	1,684	3,585
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,900	1,202	3,102
TO-DATE/2001	89,036	69,241	158,277
TO-DATE/2000	94,278	71,787	166,065

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	344	0	344
LAST WEEK	392	11	403
SAME WEEK YR AGO	361	0	361
TO-DATE/2001	20,343	305	20,648
TO-DATE/2000	22,629	612	23,241

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	2,289	1,403	3,692
LAST WEEK	2,293	1,695	3,988
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,261	1,202	3,463
TO-DATE/2001	109,379	69,546	178,925
TO-DATE/2000	116,907	72,399	189,306

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**

**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Dec 08, 2001		Year-To-Date		
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	227	99	12,635	7,207
Frozen	0	0	78	239
Dried	64	76	426	653
Total	291	175	13,139	8,099

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Dec 08, 2001		Year-To-Date		
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	137	150	5,664	4,833
Frozen	108	28	1,663	880
Dried	4	76	618	916
Total	249	254	7,945	6,629

**Inspected Shell Eggs**

**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Dec 08, 2001		Year-To-Date		
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	87	2,271
Extra Large	2,076	1,900	68,478	50,646
Large	2,719	7,525	134,933	145,112
Medium	646	1,780	43,897	38,893
Ungraded	12,510	6,960	433,120	388,544
Misc	0	900	70,364	12,737
Total	17,951	19,065	750,879	638,203

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.  
Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS). CENTS PER DOZEN**

	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	34-37	34-37	22-26
7-10			

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

	JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
	120-123	81-84	73-76	50-53
23-26				

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

	JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
	62-65	53-59	51-56	34-39
25-29				

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 17-Dec-01	3,192	73,020	81,589
AM 1-Dec-01	3,030	69,047	73,444
CHG	162	3973	8145
PCT CHG	5	6	11

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	25.9	23.3	11	-14
BOSTON	3.9	3.7	5	15
CHICAGO	59.0	55.2	7	7
DETROIT	50.8	29.6	72	70
KANSAS CITY	11.0	4.1	168	150
LOS ANGELES	116.3	168.6	-31	16
NEW ORLEANS	11.2	11.3	-1	15
NEW YORK	40.2	37.3	8	10
ST. LOUIS	19.5	17.5	11	-4
SAN FRANCISCO	23.7	25.1	-6	-3
TOTAL	361.5	375.7	-4	15
4 WK MVG AVG	346.5			

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	237.0	1	1
E.N. CENTRAL	559.9	2	3
W.N. CENTRAL	302.9	4	13
S. ATLANTIC	198.4	2	-7
S. CENTRAL	86.4	2	8
WEST	208.4	1	11
TOTAL	1593.0	2	4
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		88	88

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, DECEMBER 18, 2001 PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.**

	SMALL	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
MAINE	83	114	106	
MOSTLY	56	-	-	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	106-110	98-102	76-80	49-53
MOSTLY	108-109	100-101	78-79	51-52
RHODE ISLAND	113-117	105-109	82-86	55-59
MOSTLY	113	105	82	55
VERMONT	115-117	106-109	85-86	-
MOSTLY	117	109	86	-

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**MONTHLY COLD STORAGE REPORT**

(In Units of 1,000)

	<b>Oct-31 2000</b>	<b>Oct-31 2001</b>	<b>Nov-30 2000</b>	<b>Nov-30 2001</b>
<b>FROZEN EGGS:</b>				
Whites	3,720	3,024	3,647	1,811
Yolks	781	744	730	580
Whole & Mixed	11,068	4,298	10,046	4,337
Unclassified	1,021	728	992	609
<i>Total Frozen Eggs</i>	16,590	8,794	15,415	7,337

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**CHICKENS AND EGGS****NOVEMBER EGG PRODUCTION UP 2 PERCENT**

U.S. egg production totaled 7.17 billion during November 2001, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.14 billion table eggs and 1.04 billion hatching eggs, of which 977 million were broiler-type and 60.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2001 averaged 337 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during November 2000. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,128 eggs, slightly above the 2,125 eggs in November 2000.

November 2001 contained 22 weekdays, two holidays and four Saturdays, equal to November 2000.

All layers in the U.S. on December 1, 2001, totaled 338 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 338 million layers consisted of 279 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 55.9 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.61 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2001, averaged 71.2 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from the 71.0 eggs a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.73 billion eggs during November 2001, up 2 percent from November 2000. The average number of layers during November, at 316 million, was up 2 percent from a year earlier.