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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged in New York and Chicago. Elsewhere, prices were sharply higher on all sizes. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the week. Demand was moderate to good. However, overall movement slowed when compared to previous week's levels. Supplies were usually adequate to close. Breaking stock demand was light to moderate for about adequate supplies. The National shell egg inventory was 4% less than last week. Light type fowl were mostly sufficient for the no better than fair demand.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 6 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to 9 cents higher on mediums; in Boston, prices were unchanged to 9 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to 7 cents higher for mediums, when based on previous week average pricing. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone ranged steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to close for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were light for the moderate demand. Light type hens were mostly sufficient for the no better than fair demand.

**MIDWEST** Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were sharply higher for the larger and medium sizes. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to cautiously steady. Retail demand was moderate to at times good and was beginning to slow from last week's levels. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was quiet as breakers assess needs for the week. Offerings about adequate with most breakers relying on regular commitments and company owned production at this time. Floor stocks in close balance to instances tight. Trade sentiment steady.

**CHICAGO** Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady to firm. Retail and food service demand moderate to good and best where features are a factor. Supplies barely adequate.

**SOUTHERN** In Atlanta and Florida, prices were higher on all sizes. The market tone was usually steady entering the week. Demand ranged moderate to good, however, overall movement slowed. Supplies were adequate to mostly close 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 January 18, 2002 was 62.22 cents, 3.63 cents more than last week, but 6.18 cents less than last year. Breaking stock demand was moderate for light offerings. The Georgia shell egg inventory was 20% more than last week and the South Atlantic regional inventory was 3% higher than a week ago. Light type hens were generally adequate for processing schedules.

**WESTERN** Prices 11-14 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 11-12 cents higher on large, and 13 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 1% lower than last week with California down 9% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 20%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings light.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady to instances fully steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to close for current 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		
	LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	111-113	104-106	76-78
New York	75-79	73-77	65-69
Philadelphia	70-77	69-75	60-67
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	65.5-73	63.5-71	53.5-63
Jackson (1)	58-60	57-59	46-48
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	79-89	78-88	68-78
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	67-71	65-69	58-62
Detroit (2)	63-68	62-67	58-60
Major Ohio Cities (2)	65-69	64-67	56-60
Major Wisconsin Cities	66-73	65-71	58-63
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	86-89	83-88	72-78
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	107	100	92
(1) - Prices reported weekly		(2) - Delivered Warehouse	
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

**CALIFORNIA** Prices 14 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 12 cents higher on large, and 13 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 9% lower than last week. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings light. Small invoice price 72. Ads in Northern California: major- large dozen 99, 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free, medium dozen 139.

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	110
EXTRA LARGE	107
LARGE	100
MEDIUM	92

## 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	239-279
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	209-249
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	185-229
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	175-199

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES**

**NO REPORT AVAILABLE FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 25**

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices unchanged. Trading and demand were quiet as breakers assess needs for the week. Offerings about adequate with most breakers relying on regular commitments and company owned production at this time. Floor stocks in close balance to instances tight. 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	36-38.5	38
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	19-24	

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 generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for at least adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Finished sales were fair with schedules providing sufficient product to cover needs. Trade sentiment was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
 FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JAN-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.75-11.25	8-9.5	9.26

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the generally adequate offerings. Processing schedules were about normal. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 21-JAN-02.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8-10	8.74
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 Jan 21, 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	10.0	14.8	6.6	10.5	13.0 54.9
	Change	1.7	-2.1	0.4	-0.5	1.4 2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	25.1	28.6	9.6	20.6	24.2 108.1
	Change	0.8	-2.0	-0.4	2.0	-3.0 -2%
Large	Curr Wk	39.0	76.7	56.9	72.4	85.3 330.3
	Change	-5.1	-1.7	7.3	10.5	1.9 4%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.5	27.8	22.7	18.5	21.5 103.0
	Change	4.4	-0.4	4.4	1.2	-1.3 9%
Small	Curr Wk	4.2	7.4	3.6	6.9	4.4 26.5
	Change	1.2	-0.8	0.2	-0.8	-0.8 -4%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.0	24.1	5.9	12.0	5.7 51.7
	Change	-0.8	-4.6	-2.2	-4.1	-0.5 -19%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.0	58.0	22.0	16.8	30.6 144.4
	Change	-2.5	11.1	-5.7	-3.3	0.1 0%
Total	Curr Wk	111.8	237.4	127.3	157.7	184.7 818.9
Percent	Change	0%	0%	3%	3%	-1% 1%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	818.9	1%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	222.2	-18%	38

Total Shell Egg	1,041.1	-4%	208
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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.

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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.

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**CANADIAN EGGS** MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2002.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	183.8	179.8	169.8	113.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 7, 2002 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	141	141	131	77

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 21, 2002

<b>CURRENT LOADS</b>	20.00	<b>FUTURE LOADS</b>	10.00	<b>TOTAL LOADS</b>	30.00
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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	53.50	56.00	50.00	52.00	54.93	—	15.00	GNR W 1	—	60.43	—	—	—	—	7.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	50.00	—	1.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	62.00	1.00
GL W XL	—	—	—	61.00	53.50	—	5.00	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	60.25	2.00
GL W LG	—	—	—	62.00	57.00	—	6.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	67.33	4.50
GL W SM	26.25	27.50	24.00	25.50	22.75	23.75	3.00								

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/15/02-01/21/02

<b>CURRENT LOADS</b>	87.00	<b>FUTURE LOADS</b>	75.25	<b>TOTAL LOADS</b>	162.25
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CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	50.83	58.11	50.75	52.00	56.70	46.50	101.00	GNR W XL	—	66.00	—	—	—	—	3.00
GNR W 2	—	56.50	46.00	47.00	49.00	57.00	13.25	GNR W 1	58.00	62.39	—	—	—	62.00	41.00
GNR W 3	—	54.00	—	—	—	38.00	2.00	GNR W 2	—	64.75	—	—	—	—	7.00
GNR W 4	—	—	35.25	40.00	—	27.00	1.00	GNR W 3	—	52.67	—	—	—	—	3.00
GNR BR 2	—	—	—	—	59.00	—	1.00	GNR BR 2	—	—	—	—	—	68.00	1.00
GNR BR 3	—	—	—	53.50	50.00	—	1.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	64.29	3.50
GL W J	—	—	64.00	66.00	53.00	—	4.50	GL W XL	—	66.00	—	—	—	66.17	8.00
GL W XL	—	67.94	58.67	58.73	56.22	—	31.25	GL W LG	—	67.60	—	—	—	67.59	21.00
GL W LG	—	67.07	55.00	58.67	57.59	68.00	35.75	GL W MD	—	60.00	—	—	—	60.50	6.00
GL W MD	—	60.43	44.00	—	49.00	53.36	17.25								
GL W SM	25.63	27.25	24.25	25.75	22.75	23.75	5.00								
GL BR MD	—	—	44.00	—	—	47.00	.25								
NRBS - 48	—	—	30.00	35.00	35.96	36.69	22.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	25.30	5.00								

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 01/06/02 - 01/12/02**

State	# Cases Shipped To		# Cases Shipped To	Total State
	Northern, CA	Central, CA		
Colorado		0	2,160	10,963
Georgia		0	0	930
Illinois		0	0	720
Indiana		0	0	840
Iowa		4,430	783	44,665
Minnesota		0	0	7,400
Missouri		0	0	1,595
New Hampshire		0	0	850
Ohio		0	0	2,627
Oregon		1,598	540	0
Pennsylvania		0	0	1,200
Texas		0	0	750
Utah		821	3,350	7,007
Wisconsin		0	0	750
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,849</b>	<b>6,833</b>	<b>78,137</b>
<b>SHIPPED TO MILITARY</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY</b>		<b>6,849</b>	<b>6,833</b>	<b>78,137</b>

**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
120-123	92-95	85-88	57-60	25-28

**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
69-79	62-66	60-65	56-59	25-29

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN**

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
46-49	39-43	7-10

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

ON HAND	01/14/02	01/07/02	01/15/01
PACIFIC COAST	206	234	116
LOS ANGELES	161	167	87

**HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS**

Receipts from the mainland: 1/6/02-1/12/02  
30-dozen cases 7,426  
Receipts from the mainland: 12/30/01-1/5/02  
30-dozen cases 4,798

**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
85.12	84.12	74.74	46.27

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