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Prices ended the week unchanged. The trade sentiment was generally steady with some caution noted. Demand into all channels was light to moderate as movement continued to decline entering the weekend. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were tight to short and demand was moderate to good. Light type fowl were sufficient for the fair at best demand.

NORTH ATLANTIC Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to about steady. Demand ranged light to moderate, best where features were in progress or planned for the upcoming week. Supplies were adequate or available for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were short for the light to good demand. Light type fowl were adequate for the fair at best demand. Processing schedules were normal for next week.

NEW YORK Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment entering the weekend was steady. Demand was light to moderate, mostly moderate. Supplies were generally adequate at current price levels.

MIDWEST Prices ended the week unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady and was noted as showing caution. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate. Supplies were mixed, usually adequate and becoming more available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was fairly good to good. Spot offerings continue tight to short of needs with many breakers working only from regular commitments. Schedules mixed, although many breakers had increased line times for next week as retail orders began to slow. Floor stocks in close balance to tight. Trade sentiment steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate, best where features are planned or in progress. Feature noted on large 18 count for 99 cents. Offerings uneven.

SOUTHERN Prices ended the week unchanged. The market tone was about steady to steady entering the weekend. In Atlanta, asking prices for next week's deliveries were irregular on all sizes. However, prices for next week were ranging unchanged in Florida. Demand was light to moderate, best where limited features were in progress or planned for the upcoming week. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock supplies were short for the light to good demand. Light type fowl were adequate for normal schedules.

WEST COAST Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings of loose large long and discounted, other sizes and packs light.

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
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	111-113	104-106	76-78
New York	75-79	73-77	65-69
Philadelphia	70-77	69-75	60-67
SOUTHERN CITIES			
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
MIDWEST CITIES			
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
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	86-89	83-88	72-78
Southern California (Grade AA)(4)	89-99	87-92	79-84
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	107	100	92

(1) - Prices reported weekly
(2) - Delivered Warehouse

(3) - Reported Invoice prices
(4) - Prices to Retailers

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings spotty, tightest on mediums and cartoned product, heaviest on large loose. Small invoice price 72. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- large dozen 99.

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	110
EXTRA LARGE	107
LARGE	100
MEDIUM	92

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	91-102
EXTRA LARGE	89-99
LARGE	87-92
MEDIUM	79-84

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

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-299
EXTRA LARGE	229-269
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	179-199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Demand was fairly good to good. Spot offerings continued tight to short of needs with many breakers working only from regular commitments. Schedules mixed, although many breakers had increased line times for next week as retail orders began to slow. Floor stocks in close balance to tight. Trade sentiment steady.

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**

NEST RUN 36-38
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

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Majority prices were unchanged on nest run but unchanged to a tad higher on checks and undergrades when compared to early week trading. However, some bids were noted at slightly higher levels. Demand ranged light to good, but most buyers were not actively seeking product. Offerings were generally from regular suppliers but still limited as better quality eggs were diverted into grading channels. The undertone was irregular from plant to plant. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the weekend 19 January 2002 were 10% less than the previous week, and 6% less than a year earlier.

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

CENTS PER DOZEN **RANGE MOSTLY**
NEST RUN 29-37 33-35
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 18-27.5 19-22

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 19-Jan-02
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,110,938	25,123	11,180	5,823	3,120	4,189
PW	1,235,373	26,945	13,144	6,868	3,327	4,523
LY	1,125,192	25,765	11,616	6,499	2,955	4,098
% CHG PW	-10	-7	-15	-15	-6	-7
% CHG LY	-1	-2	-4	-10	6	2

2002	3,374,534	73,644	35,476	18,831	9,602	12,777
2001	3,285,172	74,255	33,126	18,143	8,115	11,926
% CHG YTD	3	-1	7	4	18	7

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.69	41.67	42.64
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	37.92	38.01	39.00

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 60 to 72 cents fob, mostly 68.5 to 72 cents, with pasteurized whites reported at 15 cents fob. Trade sentiment was generally steady for all liquid products. Demand was slow with offerings usually adequate or available. Breaking schedules for next week had increased from this week's part-time schedules. Breaking stock supplies were in close balance to tight with prices unchanged when compared to last week's reported values.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 25 January, 2002 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	CHANGE FROM	
			WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	15	27-33	30.33	-.55
WHITES	17	5.5-12	9.44	-.86
YOLKS	8	67.5-68	67.88	.98

EASTERN REGION FROZEN EGGS Mostly prices were higher on yolks and unchanged on the balance of items when compared to previous week's trading. Demand was quiet and only fair as many buyers had secured commitments for first quarter. Supplies were adequate for immediate trade needs. The undertone was steady to instances fully steady. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending January 19, 2002 were 9% lower than the previous week and 3% lower than the same week last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) **LTL TRUCKLOTS (MIN. 25 CONT.)**

	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	40-45	40-42	49-53
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		66-80
WHITES	22-32	22-25	28-46
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	76-81	77-80	83-87
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	72-76	73-76	79-90

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

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN EGGS Mostly prices on all frozen products were unchanged to higher. Trade sentiment mostly steady to occasionally fully steady. Trading and demand were limited as end users buy for immediate needs and await further market developments. Offerings adequate or available. Breaking stock supplies closely balanced to instances tight with prices generally unchanged when compared to last week. WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

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

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 1 cent higher on whole, unchanged on whites, and 2 cents higher on yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 1/19 was 1% more than the previous week. Breaking stock light. Frozen demand moderate and freezer stocks in good balance. WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) **LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)**

	RANGE
WHOLE	48-51
WHITES	29-32
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	83-86
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Mostly prices were lower on whole egg, higher on blends, and unchanged on the balance of items when compared to a week earlier. Demand was only fair with most first quarter commitments secured and trading was quiet. Supplies were adequate for current trade needs. The undertone was steady to at times fully steady. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending January 19, 2002 were 6% lower than the previous week, but 6% more than the same week last year. The overall total dried egg year to date change was 18% higher than a year earlier.

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

WHOLE	1.42-1.65	MOSTLY 1.50-1.60
YOLKS	1.61-1.85	MOSTLY 1.70-1.80
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.83-2.40	MOSTLY 1.90-2.00
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.18-1.25	MOSTLY 1.20-1.25

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 18, 2002-JAN 24, 2002

CURRENT LOADS				FUTURE LOADS				TOTAL LOADS							
SE		NE		MW		SC		NW		SW					
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	51.25	60.48	50.88	52.80	53.97	50.00	69.25	GNR W XL	—	66.00	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR W 2	—	57.00	—	—	42.00	57.00	15.75	GNR W 1	58.00	62.76	—	—	—	65.00	27.25
GNR W 3	—	—	—	42.75	39.50	40.80	4.50	GNR W 2	—	61.30	—	—	—	—	9.75
GNR BR 1	—	—	69.00	—	—	—	2.75	GNR W 3	—	54.00	—	—	—	52.00	2.00
GNR BR 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	81.00	2.00
GNR BR 3	—	—	—	53.50	50.00	—	2.00	GL W J	55.00	—	—	—	—	64.30	5.00
GL W J	—	—	69.00	71.00	51.83	—	4.00	GL W XL	—	64.50	—	—	—	63.31	14.50
GL W XL	—	67.88	59.25	61.74	52.43	—	37.00	GL W LG	—	68.95	—	—	—	65.15	18.25
GL W LG	—	66.11	55.50	59.00	55.05	—	30.75	GL W MD	50.00	59.00	—	—	—	57.80	6.50
GL W MD	—	62.50	51.50	53.00	50.00	53.33	15.50	NRBS - 42	25.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W SM	26.25	27.50	24.69	26.38	22.75	23.75	10.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	29.76	30.80	37.00	37.08	20.25								
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	24.50	27.50	2.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	21.25	23.25	—	26.50	14.00								

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. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Demand was generally fair at best adequate to fully adequate offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal. Cannery movement was fair and clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was about steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Demand remained light to mostly moderate with offerings ample. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair for the mostly adequate offerings. Finished sales were moderate. Processing schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules fairly heavy in spite of some holiday down time. Offerings ample.

LIVE TYPE HENS

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

<u>LIGHT</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>MAJORITY</u>
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 25-JAN-02 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	76.14	74.26	66.14
SOUTHERN	74.69	73.20	63.61
MIDWEST	67.71	66.12	59.26
WESTERN	97.74	92.67	84.38
TWELVE METRO AREAS	81.93	78.96	71.00

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were generally unchanged on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Trading was fair for the generally light to fair demand. Offerings were clearing and ranged balanced to at least adequate. The undertone was steady with some caution noted.

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

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **HEAVY CANNER HENS** (WITHOUT NECKS)

24-26 MAJORITY 30-38 MAJORITY 32-34

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) **HEAVY CANNER HENS** (WITHOUT NECKS)

26-28 MAJORITY 26-27.5 32-38.5 MAJORITY 35-35.5

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 19-Jan-02

(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,881	1,298	3,179
LAST WEEK	1,974	1,378	3,352
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,787	1,376	3,163
TO-DATE/2002	5,291	3,847	9,138
TO-DATE/2001	5,119	3,393	8,512

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	423	0	423
LAST WEEK	271	8	279
SAME WEEK YR AGO	591	7	598
TO-DATE/2002	837	8	845
TO-DATE/2001	1,553	20	1,573

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	2,304	1,298	3,602
LAST WEEK	2,245	1,386	3,631
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,378	1,383	3,761
TO-DATE/2002	6,128	3,855	9,983
TO-DATE/2001	6,672	3,413	10,085

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Jan 12, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	353	108	486	199
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	353	108	486	199

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

	Week Ending Jan 12, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	48	59	68	67
Frozen	75	18	81	21
Dried	48	25	48	25
Total	171	102	197	113

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

	Week Ending Jan 12, 2002		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	0	305	240	305
Large	250	500	1,499	2,840
Medium	0	0	110	0
Ungraded	0	750	0	3,750
Misc	66	0	66	787
Total	316	1,555	1,915	7,682

/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
	46-49	39-43	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	SMALL
120-123	92-95	85-88	57-60	25-28

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

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

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 21-Jan-02	3,126	101,757	73,163
AM 1-Jan-02	3,061	77,538	71,974
CHG	65	24219	1189
PCT CHG	2	31	2

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 19-Jan-02

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.4	28.3	-17	13
BOSTON	3.7	4.1	-10	-5
CHICAGO	49.8	51.9	-4	9
DETROIT	32.7	30.4	8	18
KANSAS CITY	4.3	4.9	-12	-16
LOS ANGELES	118.3	124.0	-5	-12
NEW ORLEANS	11.5	10.6	8	16
NEW YORK	35.1	36.2	-3	12
ST. LOUIS	17.2	20.6	-17	18
SAN FRANCISCO	23.0	23.7	-3	-13
TOTAL	319.0	334.7	-5	0
4 WK MVG AVG	325.2			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 19-Jan-02

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	231.0	4	7
E.N. CENTRAL	578.7	5	14
W.N. CENTRAL	308.2	4	16
S. ATLANTIC	177.6	-3	-13
S. CENTRAL	76.4	-2	1
WEST	199.3	-8	12
TOTAL	1571.2	2	9
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		88	88

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG JANUARY 22, 2002.

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	125	118	90	58
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	117-121	110-114	82-86	51-55
MOSTLY	119-120	112-113	84-85	53-54
RHODE ISLAND	124-128	117-121	89-93	57-61
MOSTLY	124	117	89	57
VERMONT	125-128	120-121	89-93	-
MOSTLY	128	121	93	-

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