

NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York and Chicago, prices were unchanged. Elsewhere, prices were higher on all sizes. The market tone was generally steady in early week trading. Demand was in a full range of light to good but somewhat mixed as spot retail orders were not as active as a week earlier. Supplies were in close balance to adequate for most requirements. Breaking stock demand was light to moderate with some buyers indicating that there was no incentive to chase market levels. Floor stocks were sufficient to close. Even though, GNR was still being diverted to the grading channels but not as active as last week. Light type hens were fully adequate for the mostly fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest prices were 1 cent higher for large and up 4 cents for medium. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was light to fairly good. Food service movement was slow to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the light demand. Floor stocks were about adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	71-78	73-75
LARGE	69-77	71-75
MEDIUM	62-68	65-68

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS

	RANGE
LARGE	54-58
MEDIUM	45-49
SMALL	17-21

MW AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,WESTERN NY & WESTERN PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to previous week pricing. The market tone was generally steady entering the week. Retail and distributive demand was light to at times good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced for trade requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	76-88	77-81
LARGE	70-85	75-79
MEDIUM	64-79	69-71

NE AREA: CT,DC,DE,MA,MD,ME,NH,EASTERN NJ,EASTERN PA,RI,NORTHERN VA & VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices on larger sizes increased 1 cent, mediums up 4 cents. Trade sentiment mostly steady. Retail and food service demand generally moderate with scattered feature activity. Supplies of all sizes adequate to in close balance. Some packers reporting mediums in a short position.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	78-85
LARGE	76-84
MEDIUM	67-72.5

SC AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK AND TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to last week. The market tone was steady entering the week. Demand was light to usually moderate. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient for the moderate demand. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the mostly fair demand. Processing schedules were normal.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	70-86	80-83
LARGE	68-84	78-81
MEDIUM	55-75	68-72

SE AREA: AL,FL,GA,MS,NC,SC, EASTERN TN AND SOUTHERN VA

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

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand was mixed and in a full range, light to good. Offerings were closely balanced.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	77-83
LARGE	75-81
MEDIUM	66-72

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady entering the week. Demand into all outlets was light to at times good. Supplies were usually adequate to close for trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	84-88
LARGE	82-86
MEDIUM	76-80

WESTERN Prices were 2 cents higher on jumbo, 1 cent higher on extra large, 1-2 cents higher on large, and 4-5 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 28% higher than last week with California up 22% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 42%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices 2 cents higher on jumbo, 1 cent higher on extra large and large, and 4 cents higher on medium and small. The California inventory was 22% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 81. Ads in Northern California; major-large dozen and 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free. California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	122
EXTRA LARGE	117
LARGE	111
MEDIUM	101

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	239-299	JUMBO	235-319
EXTRA LARGE	229-299	EXTRA LARGE	229-259
LARGE	199-219	LARGE	195-239
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	175-209

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending January 31, 2003 will decrease by 14 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 24, 2003 were 196,706 cases which was 3 percent below the prior week and 7 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	149,770	46,936	196,706
% change from the prior week.....	-6	+10	-3

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 15 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the usually light demand. Floor stocks about adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment remained 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
NEST RUN	42-43
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	26-31
CENTRAL STATES AREA:	
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly fair. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was generally steady. HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-JAN-03.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-9.5 CENTS/LB.	7-8.5	7.91
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were lower compared to the past week. Offerings were at least adequate for next weeks needs. Slaughter schedules were near normal. Trade sentiment was about steady. HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-JAN-03.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.5-11.25 CENTS/LB.	7-8.5	8.18
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JAN 27, 2003

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific		
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.3	18.6	5.8	14.3	12.0	60.0
	Change	0.4	3.3	0.8	5.2	2.3	25%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	24.3	55.1	10.4	21.8	31.0	142.6
	Change	2.4	21.4	0.6	4.7	5.8	32%
Large	Curr Wk	40.8	90.8	46.3	79.8	94.7	352.4
	Change	0.7	4.6	10.0	15.0	30.4	21%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.0	33.4	15.6	16.6	21.9	101.5
	Change	1.4	-5.5	3.2	1.1	1.2	1%
Small	Curr Wk	4.1	8.2	1.7	6.8	4.1	24.9
	Change	0.2	0.2	-1.6	-0.5	0.6	-4%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.2	34.3	7.8	16.3	6.1	68.7
	Change	-1.5	13.5	0.7	1.8	-1.9	22%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.6	31.3	17.2	31.8	29.0	128.9
	Change	2.6	-10.6	0.8	2.1	5.0	0%
Total	Curr Wk	116.3	271.7	104.8	187.4	198.8	879.0
	Change	6%	11%	16%	19%	28%	16%
TOTAL		Number of Cases		Percent Change	Number of Cooperators		

Shell Egg	879.0	16%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	269.9	-13%	38
Total Shell Egg	1148.9	7%	213

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 175 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 JANUARY 13, 2002

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	195.2	192.1	183.1	114.6

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 13, 2002 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	151	151	141	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 24, 2003

CURRENT LOADS								17.25	FUTURE LOADS								9.00	TOTAL LOADS								26.25
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	58.75	63.00	55.00	56.50	58.50	—	9.00		GNR W 1	—	62.00	—	—	—	—	6.00										
GL W J	—	—	—	—	70.00	—	.25		GL W J	—	—	—	—	79.00	.25											
GL W XL	—	—	68.00	70.00	64.93	—	3.75		GL W XL	—	—	—	—	74.07	1.75											
GL W LG	—	—	67.00	69.00	62.83	—	7.00		GL W LG	—	—	—	—	72.17	3.50											
GL W MD	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00		GL W SM	—	28.00	—	—	—	1.00											
GL W SM	33.75	36.00	—	—	—	—	1.00																			

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/20-01/24/03

CURRENT LOADS								110.50	FUTURE LOADS								49.50	TOTAL LOADS								160.00
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS		CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS										
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST				ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST											
GNR W XL	—	62.00	—	—	59.00	—	4.00		GNR W XL	63.00	64.67	—	—	—	—	3.00										
GNR W 1	56.25	65.52	56.63	56.71	59.75	59.67	51.00		GNR W 1	—	64.38	—	—	—	72.67	17.00										
GNR W 2	—	65.00	—	—	57.00	—	6.00		GNR W 2	—	59.50	—	—	—	69.00	5.00										
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	49.50	—	1.00		GNR W 3	—	57.50	—	—	—	—	1.00										
GNR W 4	—	—	—	42.00	38.75	—	2.00		GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	81.20	3.75										
GNR BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.50		GL W XL	74.00	73.00	—	79.13	—	77.87	16.50										
GNR BR 1	—	—	83.50	85.00	—	—	1.00		GL W LG	69.25	75.00	—	81.00	—	76.71	53.00										
GL W J	—	—	76.00	77.00	70.21	—	4.75		GL W MD	61.00	66.00	59.00	—	62.00	65.59	10.50										
GL W XL	—	76.53	67.21	70.60	67.55	—	36.25		GL W SM	—	28.00	—	—	—	—	1.00										
GL W LG	—	76.96	67.00	71.67	66.66	70.81	67.00		GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	100.00	.50										
GL W MD	—	65.50	62.00	64.50	58.83	—	16.50		GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	100.00	.25										
GL W SM	33.75	36.00	33.25	35.75	—	—	6.00																			
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	90.00	—	.50																			
GL BR LG	—	120.00	—	—	90.00	—	1.25																			
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	41.00	—	43.00	15.25																			
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	31.50	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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	01/20/03	01/13/03	01/14/02
PACIFIC COAST	782	448	232
LOS ANGELES	706	379	192

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.

MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	98.27
LARGE	96.27
MEDIUM	85.88
SMALL	59.27

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS**RECEIPTS FROM THE MAINLAND**

	January 12-18, 2003	January 05-11, 2003
30-dozen case	8,014	8,414

California Department of Food and Agriculture
Egg Quality Control

OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 1/17/03

Report Period: 12/30/02 - 1/4/03

State	# Cases	# Cases	# Cases	Total
	Shipped to Northern California	Shipped to Central California	shipped to Southern California	
Arizona	0	0	1,000	1,000
Arkansas	0	0	2,660	2,660
Colorado	0	0	4,246	4,246
Illinois	0	0	830	830
Iowa	2,280	750	63,049	66,079
Michigan	0	0	1,756	1,756
Minnesota	780	0	12,788	13,568
Missouri	0	0	2,085	2,085
Montana	0	0	630	630
Ohio	0	830	2,320	3,150
Oregon	1,563	0	0	1,563
Utah	680	2,360	6,570	9,610
Washington	0	204	0	204
Wisconsin	0	0	1,720	1,720
Total	5,303	4,144	99,654	109,101

Report Date: 1/22/03

Report Period: 1/5/03 - 1/11/03

State	# Cases	# Cases	# Cases	Total
	Shipped to Northern California	Shipped to Central California	shipped to Southern California	
Arizona	0	0	2,226	2,226
Colorado	0	0	5,617	5,617
Iowa	3,573	763	75,088	79,424
Minnesota	1,470	765	17,231	19,466
Missouri	0	0	1,800	1,800
Ohio	0	0	9,612	9,612
Oregon	5,517	51	0	5,568
Utah	1,674	0	10,101	11,775
Washington	0	1,008	0	1,008
Wisconsin	0	0	2,620	2,620
TOTAL	12,234	2,587	124,295	139,116

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