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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices were unchanged beginning the week. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged on the larger sizes and slightly lower on medium. The market tone was steady to at times barely steady with mediums in the weakest position. Retail and distributive demand was light to instances good. Supplies ranged sufficient to ample for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for the light and unaggressive demand. Light type hens were about sufficient to adequate for mostly normal processing schedules.



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 warehouse delivered prices were down 1 cent for mediums and prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 1 cent lower for small. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for the larger sizes and barely steady for medium and small. Retail demand continued to range light to at times good. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample. Central states breaking stocks prices ranged unchanged to lower. Offerings were adequate with demand quiet as breakers assess current production needs. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI - Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61-70	65-67	LARGE	44-51	46
LARGE	61-69	63-66	MEDIUM	24-28	26
MEDIUM	41-47	44-46	SMALL	12-14	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were 1 cent lower on mediums, however larger sizes continued unchanged when compared to last week prices. The market tone remained mixed. Demand was reported as light to occasionally good. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to fully adequate for at least normal processing schedules. Light type hens were about adequate to adequate for normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	68-82	68-72
LARGE	62-76	67-71
MEDIUM	43-56	48-50

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady for the larger sizes and barely steady for mediums. Retail demand was mixed, ranging light to good, usually moderate to at times fairly good. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample with the lighter weight eggs in the longest position. Central states breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to lower. Offerings were adequate with demand quiet as breakers assess current production needs. Floor stocks balanced to adequate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	72.5-81	74-77
LARGE	68.5-77	70-73
MEDIUM	48.5-57	50-53

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged on the larger sizes and slightly lower on mediums when compared to previous week's values. The market tone was mostly steady beginning the week. Demand was light to at times fairly good. Supplies ranged adequate to ample for immediate trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient to fully sufficient for the fair demand. Light type hens were about adequate to adequate for mostly normal processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	68.5-76	70-73
LARGE	67-74	68-71
MEDIUM	43.5-51	44-48

SOUTHEAST 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.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes entering the week. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged light to instances good. Supplies were adequate to available for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	76-80
LARGE	74-78
MEDIUM	55-59

CHICAGO & MIDWEST EGGS Prices for larger sizes were unchanged, mediums declined 1 cent. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate to ample.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	67-75	69-71
LARGE	66-74	67-70
MEDIUM	48-55	49-51

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

WESTERN Prices unchanged on jumbo, extra large, and large, unchanged to 1 cent lower on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 4% lower than last Monday with California down 10% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 11%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings generally ample.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 10% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 61. Ads in Northern California: major- large 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free, medium dozen 179; smaller outlets- large dozen 2 for \$5, medium dozen 2 for \$3.

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	118
EXTRA LARGE	109
LARGE	101
MEDIUM	81

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	279-349	JUMBO	279-379
EXTRA LARGE	219-309	EXTRA LARGE	219-349
LARGE	199-239	LARGE	199-309
MEDIUM	199-205	MEDIUM	189-259

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending June 18, 2004 will decrease by 14 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 11, 2004 were 239,599 cases which was 7 percent above the prior week and 5 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	203,624	35,975	239,599
% change from the prior week.....	+9	-4	+7

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to lower. Offerings were adequate with demand quiet as breakers assess current production needs. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	47-48	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-39	33-35

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 when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to at least moderate for the about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing schedules were mostly normal. Supplies of finished product were well cleared. The undertone was fully steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-JUN-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.25-10.5	9.25-10.25	9.79
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 mixed, but generally trended higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Processed sales were clearing. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-MAY-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6.25-13	10-10.5	10.24

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JUN 14, 2004

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

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	13.2	19.8	6.3	12.0	10.8
	Change	1.2	2.5	1.7	0.8	1.5
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.7	46.8	9.8	22.9	33.1
	Change	1.1	-5.4	0.9	1.9	3.3
Large	Curr Wk	44.3	122.4	54.2	85.5	89.1
	Change	11.3	10.1	-9.6	-6.1	-15.3
Medium	Curr Wk	17.3	45.6	13.2	31.3	36.0
	Change	-1.7	-0.1	-4.5	2.1	-1.0
Small	Curr Wk	4.7	9.1	2.4	5.8	4.6
	Change	-2.5	-1.5	-2.1	0.3	-1.5
Misc	Curr Wk	6.7	32.4	8.4	15.1	5.9
	Change	0.9	1.9	-1.1	-0.1	-0.2
Ungraded	Curr Wk	15.6	37.6	19.7	38.7	32.4
	Change	-6.3	-11.9	0.7	-0.1	3.8
Total	Curr Wk	125.5	313.7	114.0	211.3	211.9
Percent	Change	3%	-1%	-11%	-1%	-4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	976.4	-3%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	264.3	-8%	35
Total Shell Egg	1240.7	-4%	205

1/ Information 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.

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.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
 North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
 South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
 South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
 Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS

MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 31, 2004

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	2.03	2.00	1.91	1.16

MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING MAY 31, 2004 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.57	1.57	1.47	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 11, 2004

CURRENT LOADS		14.25		FUTURE LOADS		11.50		TOTAL LOADS		25.75					
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		SW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	47.00	54.00	—	49.00	—	—	2.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	75.00	79.00	.75
GL W XL	—	—	60.00	62.00	57.25	60.00	6.00	GL W XL	53.00	60.00	—	—	—	—	.50
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	54.00	58.00	4.25	GL W LG	53.00	58.00	—	—	—	—	1.50
GL W MD	—	—	36.50	38.00	—	—	5.25	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	64.50	68.00	.75
GL W SM	31.50	33.25	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	64.50	68.00	.75
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 06/07/04-06/11/04

CURRENT LOADS		64.00		FUTURE LOADS		61.00		TOTAL LOADS		125.00					
SE		NE		MW		LOADS		SC		NW		MW		LOADS	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	49.50	51.89	48.50	49.67	—	—	16.00	GNR W 1	51.67	53.00	—	—	—	—	1.50
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	29.00	32.00	1.00	GL W J	74.00	76.00	—	—	75.00	79.00	1.75
GNR W 4	38.50	40.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	53.00	60.00	—	67.00	—	67.31	4.00
GL W J	—	—	67.00	68.00	—	—	1.00	GL W LG	53.00	58.56	—	66.00	—	65.81	16.75
GL W XL	—	62.00	60.20	60.52	57.88	59.14	26.25	GL W MD	—	52.00	—	—	—	45.20	5.00
GL W LG	—	58.17	54.30	58.31	55.72	58.00	31.50	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	64.50	68.00	.75
GL W MD	40.00	—	36.05	37.61	39.78	36.95	22.50	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	64.50	68.00	.75
GL W SM	30.88	33.00	29.67	31.33	—	—	7.00								
NRBS - 50	—	—	46.00	48.00	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	47.41	43.50								
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	45.00	48.00	2.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	25.50	28.00	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.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	06/07/04	06/01/04	06/09/03
PACIFIC COAST	542	552	99
LOS ANGELES	491	500	63

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is lower on small and medium; steady on the balance. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is fair to fairly good.

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	88.63
LARGE	84.63
MEDIUM	61.63
SMALL	50.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 – 240
1/2 doz.	123 – 151	130 – 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 – 230
1/2 doz.	125 – 142	128 – 133

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OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 6/14/2004

Report Period: 5/16/2004 - 5/22/2004

State	# Cases	# Cases	# Cases	Total State
	Shipped To	Shipped To	Shipped To	
	Northern CA	Central CA	Southern CA	
Arizona	0	0	3,902	3,902
Arkansas	0	0	540	540
Colorado	0	0	2,886	2,886
Illinois	0	0	830	830
Indiana	0	810	780	1,590
Iowa	6,100	10,721	33,275	50,096
Minnesota	4,550	810	4,540	9,900
Missouri	0	0	2,436	2,436
Nevada	0	0	810	810
Ohio	0	0	810	810
Oregon	1,341	0	0	1,341
Pennsylvania	800	0	850	1,650
South Dakota	575	0	0	575
Texas	0	0	5,005	5,005
Utah	600	600	7,436	8,636
Virginia	0	0	570	570
Washington	0	720	0	720
TOTAL	13,966	13,661	64,670	92,297
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY	13,966	13,661	64,670	92,297