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National Egg Review

All New York and regional prices are lower this week. Next week's regional asking prices are trending lower for all sizes. The undertone ranges steady to weak. Retail and food service demand is light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are moderate to heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady. The undertone is barely steady. Demand is light with offerings moderate to heavy. Supplies are light to mostly moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. North Central regional light type hen removal costs are steady. Demand is moderate to good with offerings moderate. Schedules continue full-time. Market activity is moderate.



Regional Prices - to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A & Grade A, white egg in cartons, delivered to warehouse, cents per dozen.

05/12/11	Large		Medium	
Regions	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly
Northeast	89-103	94-98	79-92	84-86
Southeast	93-106.5	94-97	80.5-88	81-85
Midwest	90-98	91-93	82-90	83-85
South Central	92.5-101	94-97	83.5-92	85-88

Prices paid to Producers - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade yield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	05/10/11	05/03/11	05/11/10
Large	66-76	76-86	37-47
Medium	58-62	59-63	34-38

Weekly Combined Regional

05/06/11

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen

Regions	Ex Large	Large	Medium
Northeast	110.00	108.00	86.50
Southeast	109.50	107.50	84.00
Midwest	99.50	97.50	80.50
South Central	108.50	107.50	87.50
Combined Regional	106.90	105.19	84.74

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

Weekly Shell Egg Inventory: Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)¹ (Includes Conventional and Specialty)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	7.1	9.8	15.5	8.6	10.6	3.5	55.1
	% Change	-8.1%	4.0%	10.0%	-2.5%	-5.1%	-26.0%	-1.5%
Extra Large	This Week	26.4	21.8	40.8	14.3	28.2	10.4	141.8
	% Change	2.4%	11.1%	-7.2%	13.1%	14.5%	87.9%	7.3%
Large	This Week	46.3	94.4	138.9	78.4	79.1	42.2	479.2
	% Change	-5.2%	3.2%	10.9%	10.4%	19.1%	-12.4%	6.2%
Medium	This Week	17.1	18.7	42.6	21.7	28.0	9.4	137.5
	% Change	19.0%	9.3%	2.0%	-14.7%	10.4%	-10.7%	2.2%
Small	This Week	2.9	4.3	3.5	1.6	1.8	2.9	17.1
	% Change	48.0%	69.3%	7.4%	-24.4%	-20.2%	21.3%	17.0%
Miscellaneous	This Week	1.5	10.9	22.6	13.8	3.4	2.5	54.7
	% Change	-54.0%	17.1%	-12.7%	7.7%	3.1%	-24.6%	-5.4%
Ungraded	This Week	14.8	10.8	58.8	9.6	15.9	17.0	127.0
	% Change	53.6%	-5.3%	19.3%	17.8%	4.2%	-1.4%	14.3%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	116.0	170.8	322.7	148.1	167.0	87.8	1,012.4
	% Change	4.2%	6.1%	6.3%	5.0%	12.6%	-4.4%	5.8%

Totals	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg	1,012.4	5.8%
Breaking Stock	271.9	8.3%
Total Shell Egg	1,284.3	6.3%

Specialty Shell Egg Inventory² Stocks on Hand to be Marketed (30-dozen cases in thousands)

		Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Large	This Week	5.2	4.5	2.3	3.6	1.9	7.3	24.8
	% Change	-4.4%	-28.7%	-58.6%	16.7%	-81.1%	14.8%	-32.6%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	15.1	5.5	0.0	0.0	20.6
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	7.0%	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%	8.0%
Total Specialty	This Week	5.2	4.5	17.4	9.1	1.9	7.3	45.4
	% Change	-4.4%	-28.7%	-11.6%	13.3%	-81.1%	14.8%	-18.7%

Percentage of Specialty Shell Egg Inventory Comprised of USDA Certified Organic:

Large:	40.4%
Ungraded:	39.0%
Total:	39.8%

1/ Cooperators normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and must report in both the current and previous week. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

2/ Specialty eggs include certified organic, nutritionally enhanced, cage-free, and vegetarian-fed types.

Regional Definitions: **Northeast** = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, AND VT; **Southeast** = AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, & WV; **Midwest** = IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, & WI; **South Central** = AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, & UT; **Southwest** = CA & NV; **Northwest** = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 07-May-2011	(Lbs In Thousands)	(Excludes Ingredients)				
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,376,724	32,795	13,991	7,126	3,187	4,507
PW	1,339,829	31,553	13,608	7,135	2,981	4,540
LY	1,385,427	35,255	13,277	6,377	3,578	4,553
% PW	3%	4%	3%	0%	7%	-1%
% LY	-1%	-7%	5%	12%	-11%	-1%
2011*	23,601,610	561,117	240,926	122,648	51,312	79,514
2010*	22,806,387	557,104	223,819	111,079	46,171	77,967
% YTD	3%	1%	8%	10%	11%	2%

Average Yield Per Case -	Current Week	Previous Week	Last Year
(Inedible Included)	42.43	42.42	42.92
(Inedible Excluded)	39.16	39.03	39.63

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	780,096	56.7%	20,155	61.5%
PREVIOUS WEEK	735,925	54.9%	19,203	60.9%
LAST YEAR	744,244	53.7%	19,740	56.0%

BROILER HATCHERY

19 Selected States STATE	Broiler Eggs Set		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	APR 30	MAY 07	APR 30	MAY 07
	Thousand			
Alabama	29,611	29,861	20,957	20,915
Arkansas	23,061	23,583	22,162	21,472
Delaware	3,811	3,860	4,633	5,492
Florida	1,360	1,360	1,317	1,239
Georgia	33,368	33,663	28,637	28,527
Kentucky	7,687	8,011	6,847	6,094
Louisiana	3,288	3,394	3,029	3,031
Maryland	7,738	7,725	6,403	6,266
Mississippi	19,289	19,019	16,666	16,497
North Carolina	20,441	20,284	16,915	16,603
Oklahoma	7,033	7,073	4,530	3,730
Pennsylvania	3,753	3,847	3,013	2,849
South Carolina	5,271	5,422	3,957	4,301
Texas	15,527	15,355	13,247	13,223
Virginia	6,685	6,251	4,906	4,449
California, Missouri, Tennessee, and West Virginia	19,628	19,239	16,045	18,580
19 State total	207,551	207,947	173,264	173,268
Previous year total	207,319	209,188	172,617	171,075
Percent of previous year	100	99	100	101

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 18-Jun-11 is estimated at 159.5 million head. This compares to 159.2 million head the previous week and to 160.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 163.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 86.07 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES – WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 05/05/11 – 05/11/11

	CURRENT LDS	119.75	FUTURE LDS	32.75	TOTAL LDS	152.50
	SE		NE		MW	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	61.75	59.00	64.90	66.50	--	--
GNR W 4	43.25	47.00	--	--	--	--
GL W J	--	--	89.00	91.00	75.00	--
GL W XL	70.38	72.91	76.63	80.00	71.92	76.00
GL W LG	58.50	62.00	66.50	66.19	63.51	68.59
GL W MD	--	--	62.50	65.00	77.50	--
GL W SM	57.30	--	58.50	61.50	59.00	--
GL BR LG	71.00	--	--	--	59.14	--
GL BR MD	59.00	--	82.00	--	--	--
NRBS - 50	--	--	--	--	47.50	56.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	55.00	57.67	53.00	61.25
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	47.50	51.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 07-May-11

Selected Consuming Centers	CW Cases, in thousands	PW Cases, in thousands	% CHANGE	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	18.1	15.2	19	35
Boston	2.6	2.8	-7	-19
Chicago	61.1	63.1	-3	-6
Los Angeles	52.9	58.7	-10	-30
New Orleans	5.1	6.0	-15	-7
New York	31.3	29.7	5	-4
St. Louis	75.0	86.2	-13	1
San Francisco	14.4	14.4	0	-19
Total	260.5	276.1	-6	-9
4 Week Moving Avg.	291.8			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 07-May-11 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG		OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS			TURKEYS
Head	1,829	2,642	19	7		4,497
Avg Wt	17.38	39.55	24.98	26.78		30.45
Last week	1,803	2,621	18	4		4,446
Same wk yr ago	1,756	2,571	18	9		4,354
Avg Wt	16.69	39.11	24.84	31.39		29.14
To-date/2011*	31,507	45,665	380	126		77,678
To-date/2010*	31,868	45,508	406	118		77,900
% Change YTD	-1%	0%	-6%	7%		0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage						
Current week	25,274	83,066	368	145		108,853
Last week	23,931	82,117	372	129		106,549
Same wk yr ago	23,446	80,441	344	218		104,449
To-date/2011*	430,853	1,441,890	7,516	3,081		1,883,340
To-date/2010*	432,911	1,422,482	8,061	3,082		1,866,536
% Change YTD	0%	1%	-7%	0%		1%
Dressing %	79.5%	79.5%	77.5%	77.5%		

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 07-May-11	(Preliminary)			Old	Total	Turkeys
	-----Young turkeys-----			Breeders		
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	-Thousand head-		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt			Live wt
North East	605	-1	27.11	(A)	607	27.11
South Atlantic	639	11	37.67	(A)	641	37.67
North Central	2,239	3	32.96	(A)	2,240	32.96
South Central	791	-4	19.81	(A)	792	19.81
West	216	-16	31.57	(A)	217	31.57
U.S. total	4,490 (B)	1	30.45	7	4,497	30.45
To-date						
2011*	77,552 (B)			126	77,678	
To-date						
2010*	77,782 (B)			118	77,900	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of youngbanded breeder turkeys included: this week 19,000; for the current year to date* 380,000; for last year to date* 406,000.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) W/E 07-May-2011	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	159,052	1,545	1,563	3,108	417
Avg Wt	5.79	3.15	8.11	5.64	6.87
Last week	156,149	1,576	1,504	3,080	426
Same wk yr ago	165,664	1,581	1,474	3,055	422
Avg Wt	5.66	3.28	7.87	5.49	6.88
To-date/2011*	2,865,251	26,104	26,554	52,658	8,003
To-date/2010*	2,873,808	26,539	24,065	50,604	7,412
% Change YTD	0%	-2%	10%	4%	8%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	686,079	2,628	8,239	10,867	2,063
Last week	674,720	2,698	8,183	10,881	2,119
Same wk yr ago	698,555	2,774	7,714	10,488	2,090
To-date/2011*	12,185,132	44,363	139,918	184,281	39,397
To-date/2010*	11,926,483	45,694	124,651	170,345	36,347
% Change YTD	2%	-3%	12%	8%	8%
Dressing %	74.5%	54.0%	65.0%		72.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 162.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.0 million head, or 1.1 million less than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Estimated U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

Week Ending	Million Head Slaughtered	Million Head Available*	Pct	Avg Wt
Apr 2	164.5	157.8	104%	5.77
9	161.7	158.2	102%	5.69
16	162.3	158.3	103%	5.77
23	156.5	159.0	98%	5.83
30	158.0	160.4	99%	5.80
May 7	161.0	162.1	99%	5.79
Year to date	2900.1	2853.1	102%	
May 14		163.1		
21		162.6		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

Estimated Slaughter of U.S. Broiler/Fryers and Fowl

Week Ending 14-May-11	Current Week 05/14/11 (1)	Previous Week 05/07/11
Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	163,199 (2)	154,626
Light hens	1,725	1,604
Heavy hens	1,409	1,543
Total	166,333	157,773

(1) Estimated

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 14-May-11 is 163.1 million head compared to 163.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.5 million head or 0.4 million more than estimated available. For the week of 21-May-11 the estimated available is 162.6 million head.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings – Selected Centers

(Incl. Gov't Stocks) (in thousands)	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Proc. Turkeys lbs.	Proc. other Poultry lbs.
AM 05/09/11	3,359	135,419	56,175
AM 05/01/11	3,426	127,285	54,517
CHG	-67	8134	1658
PCT CHG	-2%	6%	3%

Whole Young Turkeys

Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 98.00-104.00 cents shipping point and toms 98.00-108.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

Live Hen Markets**Heavy Type** (7 pounds and up)*

Final price, Cents per lb, Generally for slaughter the week of 09-May-11

Regions	Range	Majority	Wtd Avg
Southeast (1)	8.5-18 cents/lb.		13.05
Southeast (2)	Too Few to Report		
South Central (1)	Too Few to Report		

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

Light Type Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (Includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 06-May-11

Regions:	Eastern	South Central	North Central
Range:	2-11	TFEWR	0-10.5
Majority:	3-7		0-5

Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 07-May-2011	Cases (in thousands)	% Change From LW	LY
Regions			
North Atlantic	199.5	-5	6
East North Central	650.0	-2	0
West North Central	272.4	0	-10
South Atlantic	127.4	-4	-10
South Central	47.0	-10	-13
West	46.0	-7	-6
Total	1342.3	-3	-3

Matched plants reporting

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Areas Covered:

North Atlantic (ME, VT, MA, RI, CT, NH, NY, PA, NJ, MD, DE)

East North Central (WI, IL, MI, OH, IN)

West North Central (IA, MN, MO, KS, SD)

South Atlantic (SC, NC, VA, GA, FL, KY)

South Central (TN, AL, AR, MS, OK)

West (CA, CO, WA, OR, UT)

Final Broiler/Fryer Report

Prices negotiated for truck-lot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers and FOB dock at major market areas (cents per lb) Week of 09-May-2011

	Grade A Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to First Receivers 1/:					
Los Angeles	96.00	94.96	24	95.97	91
New York	79.00-82.00	80.86	21	83.40	41

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/ Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Chicago	73.00-82.00			76.17	46

1/: Includes branded product.

2/: Whole Body category includes whole body birds with or without giblets, all grades, brands, and packaging.

Composite Weighted Average RTC Broiler/Fryer

Loads	05/09/11	Change Last Wk	05/02/11	05/10/10
373	84.58	.80	83.78	85.27

