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National Egg Review

This period, prices in New York are sharply higher on all sizes. Early in the week, regional prices were steady to higher for the larger sizes and higher for medium. Next week's regional asking prices are trending sharply higher for both the heavier and lighter weight eggs. The undertone is firm. Retail demand ranges light to good, mostly moderate to good. Food service demand is mostly light to moderate. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate. Market, activity is moderate to active. All Control states breaking stock prices are higher. The undertone is stocky to

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hen removal costs are steady. Demand is light to moderate with offerings moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity remains slow to moderate.

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

	Laı	ge	Medium		
Regions	Range	Mostly	Range	Mostly	
Midwest	93-102	95-98	78-87	80-83	
Northeast	96-110	101-105	79-92	84-86	
South Central	101.5-110	103-106	84.5-93	86-89	
Southeast	99-106	100-103	82.5-90	83-87	
Prices paid to F	Producers - lone	cases exchanged			

<u>Prices paid to Producers</u> - loose eggs at farm, cases exchanged, grade vield basis, cents per dozen.

IA-MN-WI	09/20/11	09/13/11	09/21/10
Large	75-85	75-85	34-44
Modium	60.64	59.62	20.24

Weekly Combined Regional 09/16/11

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 106.00 103.00 83.00 Southeast 103.50 101.50 85.00 Midwest 98.50 96.50 79.50 South Central 103.50 85.50 107.50 Combined Regional 104.03 101.20 83.33

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)

September 19,	2011	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Southwest	Northwest	6-Area Total
Jumbo	This Week	6.9	11.5	15.2	11.2	10.1	3.8	58.8
	% Change	7.5%	16.2%	-2.3%	11.2%	5.6%	12.1%	6.9%
Extra Large	This Week	25.3	20.6	33.7	16.4	25.6	4.3	125.9
	% Change	-16.6%	-15.7%	8.5%	-7.8%	-16.3%	6.2%	-8.9%
Large	This Week	52.6	100.3	104.2	80.8	79.7	56.4	474.0
	% Change	-11.5%	-1.1%	8.4%	-9.1%	-0.8%	16.1%	-0.2%
Medium	This Week	14.9	26.6	33.7	21.1	23.8	11.5	131.6
	% Change	0.6%	-13.0%	-22.3%	0.1%	3.7%	-0.2%	-8.8%
Small	This Week	1.3	4.1	5.4	2.1	1.9	2.5	17.2
	% Change	-35.9%	-16.6%	-29.6%	-26.3%	12.8%	-34.3%	-24.7%
Miscellaneous	This Week	2.9	9.6	30.9	9.2	3.7	1.1	57.4
	% Change	-4.7%	-10.3%	-3.0%	-25.2%	-0.3%	-36.0%	-9.4%
Ungraded	This Week	22.1	7.4	61.2	16.7	10.4	9.8	127.6
	% Change	12.3%	12.0%	-0.3%	17.6%	-16.7%	-36.8%	-1.7%
Total Shell Egg	This Week	125.9	180.1	284.3	157.7	155.2	89.4	992.5
	% Change	-7.2%	-4.5%	-1.0%	-5.8%	-3.8%	0.9%	-3.5%

 Totals
 Cases
 Percent Change

 Shell Egg
 992.5
 -3.5%

 Breaking Stock
 261.0
 -0.4%

 Total Shell Egg
 1,253.5
 -2.9%

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	2.7	5.4	1.9	2.8	3.1	1.5	17.4
	% Change	-25.1%	-9.5%	48.8%	-26.1%	114.7%	-44.3%	-7.5%
Ungraded	This Week	0.0	0.0	8.6	5.3	0.0	1.8	15.6
	% Change	0.0%	0.0%	-12.7%	86.0%	0.0%	86.3%	15.0%
Total Specialt	y This Week	2.7	5.4	10.4	8.1	3.1	3.3	33.0
	% Change	-25.1%	-9.5%	-5.6%	22.4%	114.7%	-10.4%	2.0%

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

Large: 34.0% Ungraded: 39.5% Total: 36.6%

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;

 $\textbf{Midwest} = \mathsf{IA}, \ \mathsf{IL}, \ \mathsf{IN}, \ \mathsf{KY}, \ \mathsf{MI}, \ \mathsf{MN}, \ \mathsf{ND}, \ \mathsf{NE}, \ \mathsf{OH}, \ \mathsf{SD}, \ \& \ \mathsf{WI}; \ \textbf{South Central} = \mathsf{AR}, \ \mathsf{AZ}, \ \mathsf{CO}, \ \mathsf{KS}, \ \mathsf{LA}, \ \mathsf{MO}, \ \mathsf{NM}, \ \mathsf{OK}, \ \mathsf{TX}, \ \& \ \mathsf{UT}; \ \mathsf{CO}, \ \mathsf{NM}, \ \mathsf{NM},$

Southwest = CA & NV; Northwest = ID, MT, OR, WA, & WY.

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EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION								
W/E 17-Sep-2011 (Lbs In Thousands) (Excludes Ingredients)								
Total	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid				
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible		
CW	1,368,577	32,303	13,244	7,196	2,618	4,784		
PW	1,328,136	32,007	12,854	6,278	3,056	4,271		
LY	1,555,800	37,218	15,424	7,635	3,483	4,818		
% PW	3%	1%	3%	15%	-14%	12%		
% LY	-12%	-13%	-14%	-6%	-25%	-1%		
2011*	49,834,206	1,170,194	508,691	257,115	110,649	166,140		
2010*	48,970,067	1,185,461	483,507	235,694	105,571	163,123		
% YTD	2%	-1%	5%	9%	5%	2%		
Average Yield Per Case - Current Previous Last								

Week

42.03

38.54

Week

41.72

38.50

Year

41.84 38.74

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

	Case	s Broken	Liquid Whole		
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total	
CURRENT WEEK	739,554	54.0%	19,586	60.6%	
PREVIOUS WEEK	756,662	57.0%	19,786	61.8%	
LAST YEAR	759,942	48.8%	19,344	52.0%	

BROILER HATCHERY Broiler Chicks Placed Broiler Eggs Set 19 Selected States Sept 10 Sept 17 Sept 10 Sept 17 **Thousand** STATE 19,616 20,087 26.473 25.701 Alabama 19,575 19,336 Arkansas 18,938 20,041 4,328 5,154 Delaware 2,908 2,852 1,140 1,251 1,352 1,074 Florida 26,026 25,851 Georgia 30,771 29,570 6.198 6.371 Kentucky 7,704 7,137 2,928 2,851 Louisiana 3,258 3,183 6,319 5,397 Maryland 6,863 6,852 15,962 15,314 Mississippi 17,569 17,813 14,969 15,445 North Carolina 17,621 18,245 4,842 4,317 Oklahoma 6,228 6,465 2,897 3,133 Pennsylvania 3,718 3,510 4,629 4,932 South Carolina 4,892 5,522 14,367 11,503 11,481 12,835 Texas 4,543 4,439 Virginia 5,859 5,363 California, Missouri, Tennessee, 16,043 16,188 and West Virginia 18,755 16,188 160,929 162,136 19 State total 187,276 182,351 170,626 169,940 Previous year total 204,833 196,963 94 95 Percent of previous year 91 93 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 29-Oct-11 is estimated at 148.7 million head. This compares to 148.6 million head the previous week and to 160.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 164.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 80.03 cents per pound.

WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG TRAILER LOAD SHELL EGG SALES

National trading for 09/15/11 - 09/21/11 (cents/dozen) Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

Current Loa	ads 100.	.00 Fı	ıture Loa	ds 49.75	Tota	I Loads	149.75
	S	E		NE	N	IW	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	79.00	81.33	80.00	81.50		77.67	16.00
GNR BR 1				151.00			1.00
GL W J					90.38		3.25
GL W XL		86.75	99.32	105.31	94.09		30.25
GL W LG	90.00	89.00	91.00	92.25	85.26	84.77	54.00
GL W MD	80.00		72.33	79.36	82.38	77.00	12.75
GL W SM	60.00		54.00	57.00			10.00
NRBS - 48			78.50	80.00		78.00	10.00
NRBS - 45						76.00	2.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 17-Sep-11								
Selected	CW	PW	% C	HANGE				
Consuming Centers	Cases, in the	ousands	LW	LY				
Atlanta	23.2	21.8	6	25				
Boston	2.6	3.1	-16	-7				
Chicago	61.3	61.9	-1	17				
Los Angeles	57.4	59.4	-3	-13				
New Orleans	5.9	5.8	2	11				
New York	38.7	32.5	19	30				
St. Louis	74.6	77.0	-3	-4				
San Francisco	15.9	17.2	-8	-22				
Total	279.6	278.7	0	2				
4 Week Moving Avg.	274.4							

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 17-Sep-11 (Preliminary)
Young Breeders

	Young		Bro	Breeders		
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	Turkeys	
Head	2,050	2,645	14	2	4,711	
Avg Wt	17.32	38.30	30.03	41.95	29.15	
Last week	1,725	2,161	25	2	3,913	
Same wk yr ago	1,871	2,750	28	12	4,661	
Avg Wt	17.00	36.51	27.09	41.87	28.72	
To-date/2011*	66,878	95,006	771	257	162,912	
To-date/2010*	66,309	94,115	768	259	161,451	
% Change YTD	1%	1%	0%	-1%	1%	
Ready-to-Cook V	Veight and	d Dressing P	Percentage			
Current week	28,405	81,043	324	65	109,837	
Last week	23,323	65,671	491	82	89,567	
Same wk yr ago	25,446	80,322	584	387	106,739	
To-date/2011*	909,017	2,945,282	15,446	6,165	3,875,910	
To-date/2010*	897,537	2,880,360	15,087	6,612	3,799,596	
% Change YTD	1%	2%	2%	-7%	2%	
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%		

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 17-Sept-11 (Preliminary)

W/E I/ Copt II (I follifilliary)							
	You	Old	Total	Turkeys			
7	Γhousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breeders		Avg	
	Head	Prev wk	Live wt	-Thousand	I head-	Live wt	
North East	612	14	27.25	(A)	613	27.25	
South Atlantic	733	34	33.57	(A)	734	33.57	
North Central	2,291	19	31.68	(A)	2,291	31.68	
South Central	846	16	19.70	(A)	846	19.70	
West	227	32	29.58	(A)	227	29.58	
U.S. total	4,709(B	3) 20	29.15	2	4,711	29.15	
To-date							
2011*	162,655(B	3)		257 1	62,912		
To-date	•	•					
2010*	161.192(B	3)		259 1	61.451		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 14,000; for the current year to date* 771,000; for last year to date* 768,000.

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

Dressing %

72.0%

Live Poultry Slaud	Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection							
(Preliminary)	Young	Light	Heavy	Total				
W/E 17-Sep-2011	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	Ducks			
			Thousand	ls				
Head	159,518	1,585	1,602	3,187	443			
Avg Wt	5.87	3.21	7.94	5.59	6.73			
Last week	141,495	1,293	1,579	2,872	397			
Same wk yr ago	168,707	1,487	1,466	2,953	440			
Avg Wt	5.68	3.20	8.14	5.65	6.98			
To-date/2011*	5,880,530	50,683	57,038	107,721	16,009			
To-date/2010*	5,960,743	51,961	52,107	104,068	15,437			
% Change YTD	-1%	-2%	9%	4%	4%			
Ready-to-Cook We	eight and Dress	sing Percei	ntage					
Current week	697,596	2,697	8,141	10,838	2,147			
Last week	604,021	2,172	7,963	10,135	1,918			
Same wk yr ago	713,901	2,522	7,936	10,458	2,211			
To-date/2011*	25,067,829	86,710	295,633	382,343	78,140			
To-date/2010*	24,688,628	89,231	273,755	362,986	76,350			
% Change YTD	2%	-3%	8%	5%	2%			

⁽A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.5 million head, or 7.2 million more than estimated available.

53.0%

64.0%

74.5%

Estimated U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

	Week	Million Head	Million Head		Avg
E	nding	Slaughtered	Available*	Pct	Wt
Aug	13	157.9	159.5	99%	5.63
	20	160.7	158.1	102%	5.67
	27	159.1	156.0	102%	5.63
Sep	3	163.4	154.6	106%	5.64
	10	143.2	153.8	93%	5.73
	17	161.5	154.3	105%	5.87
Year t	o date	5951.9	5901.5	101%	
Sep	24		154.1		
Oct	1		152.9		

^{*}Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

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

Week Ending 2	24-Sep-11
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Current Week 09/24/11 (1) Previous Week 0		Previous Week 09/17/11
Class		Thousand head
Broiler/fryer	164,434 (2)	162,748
Light hens	1,234	1,589
Heavy hens	1,784	1,492
Total	167,452	165,829
(1) Estimated		

⁽²⁾ The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 24-Sep-11 is 154.1 million head compared to 168.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 164.8 million head or 10.7 million more than estimated available. For the week of 01-Oct-11 the estimated available is 152.9 million head.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings - Selected Centers

(Incl. Gov't S	Stocks) (in thousan	ds)	Proc. other
	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Proc. Turkeys lbs.	Poultry lbs.
AM 09/19/1	1 3,250	172,138	42,755
AM 09/01/1	1 3,236	174,551	48,843
CHG	14	-2413	-6088
PCT CHG	0%	-1%	-12%

Whole Young Turkeys

Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 108.00-112.00 cents shipping point and 16-24 lb. toms 107.00-112.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries.

National Fowl Markets

16-Sep-11

Live Spent Heavy

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	8.5-19.5	13.30

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

Live Spent Light

The majority of removal costs range 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) $\,$

Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV;

North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI;

South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

Commercial Egg Movement (Receipts from Producers)

W/E 17-Sep-2011	Cases	% Chang	e From
Regions	(in thousands)	LW	LY
North Atlantic	205.7	2	13
East North Central	667.2	1	2
West North Central	280.6	-1	36
South Atlantic	143.4	2	8
South Central	51.0	1	-13
West	49.4	-8	-7
Total	1397.3	1	8
Matched plants reporti	ng	71	71

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 19-Sep-2011

Grade A				:	Compo	site
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Wtd Avg	Lds
Delivered to	First Receivers	1/:				
Los Angeles	98.00	95.04	24	:	78.28	97
New York	66.00-69.00	67.45	20	:	70.30	38

Delivered to First Receivers 1/:

	Whole Body 2/:			Composite			9	
	Maj	Wtd Avg	Lds	:	Wtd Avg	Lds		
Chicago	60.00-66.00			:	63.48	48		

^{1/:} Includes branded product.

Composite Weighted Average RTC Broiler/Fryer

Loads	09/19/11	Change Last Wk	09/12/11	09/20/10
355	72.73	-3.27	76.00	83.14

⁽B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

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





