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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Regional and California prices are 63 cents higher for Jumbo, 49 to 84.5 cents higher for Extra Large, 55 to 84.5 cents higher for Large, 44 to 66.5 higher for Medium, and Small are up 52 cents. Prices of New York eggs are unchanged for all sizes. The undertone is steady to firm. Supplies and offerings in California are light to moderate; elsewhere supplies and offerings are generally light. Retail demand is instances moderate to very good, usually good. Food service demand is light to very slow. Market activity is moderate to active. Breaking stock offerings are light to moderate for a mostly light to moderate demand. Light fowl offerings are sufficient for mostly normal processing schedules.

Prices to Retailers, Sales to Volume Buyers, USDA Grade A and Grade A, White Eggs in Cartons, Cents per Dozen, Unless Otherwise Noted

### Delivered To Warehouse:

	Range	Mostly
<a href="#">Midwest Regional</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	289-298	292-295
LARGE	288-297	290-293
MEDIUM	231-240	233-236

<a href="#">Northeast Regional</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	299-317	301-304
LARGE	293-307	298-302
MEDIUM	236-249	241-243

<a href="#">South Central</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	311.5-320	313-316
LARGE	303.5-312	305-308
MEDIUM	239.5-248	241-244

<a href="#">Southeast Regional</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	263-310	304-307
LARGE	259-308	302-305
MEDIUM	208-246	239-243

### Delivered To Store Door:

<a href="#">Midwest Regional</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	296-304	297-299
LARGE	294-302	295-297
MEDIUM	237-245	238-240

<a href="#">New York</a>		
EXTRA LARGE	307-311	--
LARGE	305-309	--
MEDIUM	248-252	--

### (Fri) Prices to Consumers Major Chains, New York Metropolitan Area

EXTRA LARGE	209-389	259-289
LARGE	199-379	249-279
MEDIUM	189-259	229-259

### Prices Paid To Producers

<a href="#">Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin</a>		
LARGE	270-280	274
MEDIUM	213-217	215
SMALL	120-126	

**Midwest:** IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, western NY, & western PA; **Northeast:** CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, & VT; **South Central:** AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX; **Southeast:** AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

[North Carolina](#) - Prices weighted average, in small lots, nearby retail outlet.

	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	308.36
LARGE	305.78
MEDIUM	273.64
SMALL	162.00

### Weekly New England Shell Eggs

Prices paid per dozen Grade A brown eggs in cartons delivered store door.

	Extra Large	Large	Medium	Small
MAINE MOSTLY	262	254	208	116
NEW HAMPSHIRE MOSTLY	272-276 274-275	264-268 266-267	216-220 218-219	100-104 102-103
RHODE ISLAND MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
VERMONT MOSTLY	269-298	265-291	219-238	-

### USDA Wholesale Certified Organic Brown Shell Eggs

Prices cents per carton delivered to first receivers

Extra Large	doz.	Price Range	Mostly
1/2	doz.	Data not Available.	
Large	doz.		
1/2	doz.		

Certified Organic are products grown and processed according to USDA's national organic standards and certified by USDA accredited State and private certification organizations. For more information, visit the National Organic Program [www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome](http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOPNationalOrganicProgramHome)

**California** Benchmark prices are 63 cents higher for Jumbo, 70 cents higher for Extra Large and Large and 52 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is steady to firm. Retail demand is fairly good to good. Food service movement is very slow. Warehouse buying interest is moderate to occasionally fairly good. Offerings and supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$3.02.

**California:** Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	Range
JUMBO	387
EXTRA LARGE	382
LARGE	377
MEDIUM	322

**(Fri) Southern California:** Prices to Retailers, Sales to Volume Buyers, USDA Grade AA & Grade AA, White Eggs in Cartons, Delivered Store Door, Cents/Dozen

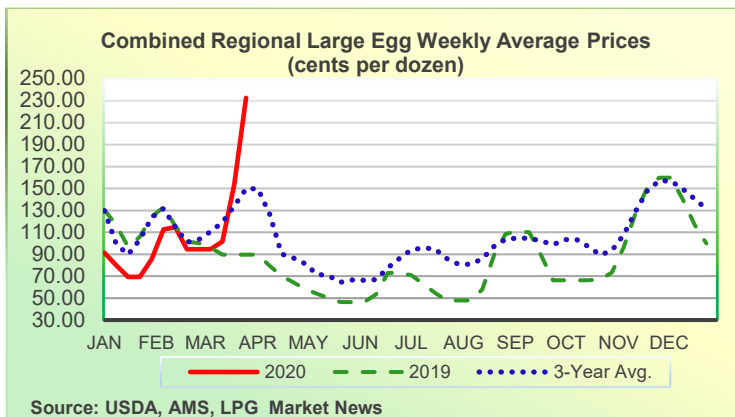
JUMBO	316-328
EXTRA LARGE	299-306
LARGE	292-301
MEDIUM	256-275

### Weekly Combined Regional

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, delivered warehouse.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	235.00	232.00	190.00
SOUTHEAST	237.50	235.50	189.00
MIDWEST	225.50	223.50	182.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	246.50	238.50	190.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	236.63	232.64	188.09

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations



National Weekly Shell Egg Inventory

Regions	Total Stocks on Hand Available for Marketing (30-dozen cases in thousands)	
<b>Northeast</b>	Total	135.1
	% Change	5.0%
<b>Southeast</b>	Total	191.9
	% Change	-3.3%
<b>Midwest</b>	Total	397.5
	% Change	-3.9%
<b>South Central</b>	Total	203.0
	% Change	-2.0%
<b>Southwest</b>	Total	145.5
	% Change	15.6%
<b>Northwest</b>	Total	63.3
	% Change	-10.4%
<b>6-Area Total</b>	Total	1,136.2
	% Change	-0.7%

	Cases	Percent Change
Shell Egg Inventory	1,136.2	-0.7%
Breaking Stock Inventory	342.1	6.5%
Total Inventory	1,478.3	0.9%

**Specialty/Organic/Cage Free:** Stocks on Hand to be Marketed as Specialty/Organic/Cage Free from totals above (30-dozen cases in thousands)

6-Area Total		
<b>Specialty</b>	This Week	25.1
	% Change	-9.4%
<b>Organic</b>	This Week	80.7
	% Change	-14.7%
<b>Cage Free</b>	This Week	128.5
	% Change	19.5%

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/ Total Inventories from Totals of Specialty/Organic/Cage Free includes conventional and specialty 3/ Specialty eggs include nutritionally enhanced and vegetarian-fed types.

**Regional Definitions:** Northeast = CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, & 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.

Shell Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection

Total Production in Thousands of Pounds W/E 3/21/2020						
TOTAL PRODUCTION	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CW	1,471,781	34,674	14,702	7,442	2,239	4,450
PW	1,513,700	37,225	14,342	7,426	1,981	4,812
% Change	-2.8 %	-6.9 %	2.5 %	0.2 %	13.0 %	-7.5 %
LY	1,546,947	36,949	15,416	7,529	2,076	4,600
% Change	-4.9 %	-6.2 %	-4.6 %	-1.2 %	7.8 %	-3.3 %
2020 YTD	19,124,982	447,899	191,690	95,167	35,076	60,636
2019 YTD	18,612,224	440,118	185,464	93,136	33,385	59,115
% Change	2.8 %	1.8 %	3.4 %	2.2 %	5.1 %	2.6 %

Average Yields Per Case			
	Yield with Inedible	Yield W/O Inedible	
CW	41.63	38.61	
PW	42.15	38.97	
LY	41.69	38.72	
2020 YTD	41.59	38.42	
2019 YTD	41.79	38.62	

In-Line Production in Thousands of Pounds				
	In-line Cases Broken	In-line % of Total Cases Broken	In-line Liquid Whole Egg	In-line % of Total Liquid Whole Egg
CW	845,651	57.5%	20,425	58.9%
PW	848,056	56.0%	21,336	57.3%
LY	838,767	54.2%	19,460	52.7%
2020 YTD	10,736,810	56.1%	249,607	55.7%
2019 YTD	10,153,293	54.6%	230,389	52.3%
% Change	5.7%		8.3%	

Weekly National Egg Products f.o.b. Shipper Dock Basis; Wholesale prices; cents per pound unless otherwise noted.

**Liquid Eggs**

All reported liquid egg prices are lower. The undertone is usually lower for all liquid egg products. Offerings are moderate to heavy for whole egg and whites and light for yolk. Demand is light to moderate and continuing to slow in most areas. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Non-certified in trucklots; current trading for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Current Week			Mar Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
<b>Whole</b>	32.50 - 39.00	20	35.63	47	44.39
<b>Whites</b>	40.00 - 46.00	17	41.47	26	42.65
<b>Yolk</b>	TFEWR			8	68.88

Certified in trucklots; current trading for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Current Week			Mar Averages	
	Range	Loads	Wtd Avg	Loads	Wtd Avg
<b>Whole</b>	TFEWR			19	57.26
<b>Whites</b>	38.00 - 45.00	8	41.50	15	43.00
<b>Yolk</b>	TFEWR			7	69.93

**Frozen Eggs**

Frozen whole egg and salted yolk prices are steady with frozen whites and sugared yolk prices steady to lower. The undertone is steady to about steady for whole egg and sugared and salted yolk and steady to barely steady for whites. Demand ranges light to fairly good as many in the market place adjust to a new normal and reroute product to those in need while others drop their previous normal orders altogether. Offerings are mixed. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active.

Packed in 30-pound containers; Prices in cents per pound

Trucklot	Current Week		Mar Averages	
	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
<b>Whole</b>	65.00 - 89.00	74.00 - 78.00	77.00	65.00
<b>Whites</b>	60.00 - 80.00	64.00 - 69.00	70.00	62.50
<b>Sugar Yolk <sup>1/</sup></b>	87.00 - 108.00	90.00 - 98.00	97.50	88.00
<b>Salt Yolk <sup>1/</sup></b>	87.00 - 108.00	88.00 - 98.00	97.50	88.00

1/ Minimum 43% solids.

**Dried Eggs**

Dried egg prices are steady to lower on whole, yolk and albumen. The undertone is steady. Offerings vary by location and are mostly moderate. Demand is light to at times fairly good, generally moderate with noted order changes, some returns and some inquires for future needs. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate.

Prices in dollars per pound; in containers; includes trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Current Week		Mar Averages	
	Range	Mostly	This Month	Last Month
<b>Whole</b>	1.95 - 2.40	2.10 - 2.25	2.18	2.13
<b>Yolk</b>	1.85 - 2.25	1.95 - 2.10	2.05	2.05
<b>Albumen <sup>2/</sup></b>	4.40 - 4.95	4.50 - 4.65	4.68	4.63
<b>Blends <sup>3/</sup></b>	-	-	-	-

2/ Spray Dried; 3/ Whole plus sweetener.

Central and Eastern Region Breaking Stock			
Prices in cents/doz., delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.			
Central Region		Eastern Region	
Breaking Stock			
Range	58-70	Range	62-73
Mostly	68-70	Mostly	67-70
Checks & Undergrades			
Range	54-60	Range	55-59
Mostly	54-59	Mostly	-
<b>Central States Area:</b> AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, & WI		<b>Eastern States Area:</b> AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, & WV	

[Daily 5-Day Weighted Average Trailer Load Egg Sales](#)

(cents/doz.)  
National Trading for March 23, 2020 - March 27, 2020  
Courtesy of U.S.D.A. Federal/State Market News

**CURRENT LOADS 55.50 FUTURE LOADS 56.50 TOTAL LOADS 112.00**

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	261.00	257.30	255.00	230.67	212.64	239.67	83.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	227.00	233.00	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	269.00	285.00	288.00	--	--	3.00
GL W XL	--	288.80	258.89	270.33	310.67	--	27.75
GL W LG	--	294.13	258.71	265.67	296.53	301.00	51.00
GL W MD	--	189.50	221.00	223.00	235.11	211.00	10.00
GL W SM	57.75	--	--	--	79.00	--	6.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	58.00	5.00

CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	--	260.41	--	--	--	160.00	30.00
GL W J	235.00	--	--	247.00	--	--	1.25
GL W XL	--	289.91	--	--	--	370.50	9.75
GL W LG	--	294.24	--	--	--	322.64	39.00
GL W MD	198.67	214.00	--	219.13	--	319.25	10.00
GL W SM	--	--	--	--	50.00	92.00	2.00

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.

[Live Spent Light Fowl](#)

Prices are trending steady at best for the light to moderate demand. Offerings of spent hens are sufficient for current needs. Processing schedules for next week are mostly normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs are unchanged at 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.

[Weekly Cold Storage Holdings](#) -

~in Selected Centers, Includes Government Stocks in Thousands of Pounds~

Frozen Eggs 3/23/2020	3/1/2020	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
2,824	2,783	41	1%

## Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast

Frozen Eggs	3/23/2020	03/16/20	03/25/19
Pacific w/out Denver:	27	30	24
Los Angeles:	0	0	0

[National Retail Egg Purchases](#)

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending April 03, 2020 will decrease by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending March 27, 2020 were 264,620 cases which was 17 percent below the prior week and 17 percent below estimates.

	Cartoned	Loose	Total
Cases purchased present week.....	224,120	40,500	264,620

% change from the prior week.....	-19	+1	-17
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Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

[Canadian Eggs](#)

Minimum prices for producers' f.o.b. farm as set by Ontario egg producers (Canadian dollars per dozen) as reported by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section Week Ending Mar 14, 2020

GRADE A	XLG	LRG	MED	SMALL
	2.06	2.06	1.84	1.44

[Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Import/Export Trade](#)

The data used from the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), as compiled by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) to populate this report is not available.

Data Source: CFIA, as compiled by AAFC, Poultry Section