

Poultry Market Reports

WEEKLY NEW YORK EGG MARKET

From Monday, August 12 to Friday, August 16

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex Large	58	58	58	60	60
Large	54	55	55	58	58
Mediums	44	45	45	49	49
Pullets	36	38	38	40	60
Peewees	25	27	27	28	28

BROWN					
Large	54	55	55	58	59
Mediums	Unquoted				
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peewees	Unquoted				

Off Grade					
Large	47	48	48	48	48
Checks	34	35	35	36	37

Tone — Steady to firm.
Correction — The White Ex Large quotation on last Friday's Urner Barry Egg Market should have read 58 and not 61.

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NEST RUN EGGS

Prices are from Egg Clearinghouse, Inc., (ECI) Durham, N.H. and reflect trading prices for gradeable nest run eggs (GNR) on ECI, a nationwide trading center for producers, packers and marketers. GNR eggs are classified by weight in 30-dozen cases, and traded in lots of either 300 or 750 cases. Prices are FOB buyers dock, and are computed Tuesday and Thursday of each week. This week's prices for each classification were

Classification	New Weight Per Case	Tuesday	Thursday
Extra Large	51 lbs.	0	0
Class 1 - Large	48 lbs.	47	49
Class 3 - Medium	42 lbs.	36	39
Class 4 - Small	39 lbs.	30	31
Breaking Stock	48 lbs.	41	43
Checks	48 lbs.	36	37

Omaha Cattle

Thursday August 15
Compared to previous week's close: Slaughter steers average-Choice to Prime 50-1.00 lower Others mostly steady except Holsteins 50-1.00 higher. Heifers steady to 50 cents lower. Cows mostly 50 cents lower. Bulls fully steady.

Four day receipts 12,200 as compared with 16,700 previous week and 15,300 a year ago. Slaughter steers approximately 57 percent of run, heifers 31 percent, cows 10 percent.

In spite of sharply reduced supplies locally, prices on Choice and Prime slaughter cattle pushed lower early in the week influenced by a sluggish wholesale carcass trade. Part of the delive erased later as beef prices improved only moderately. Best demand centered on average-Choice to Prime steers and standard and good Holstein steers. An increased showing of good and low-Choice short feds in an uneven trade and hard to move.

STEERS Load Choice and Prime 1101 pounds 3 50 25, near 15 loads Choice and Prime 1275-1360 3-4 49 50-50 00. A few loads Choice and Prime 1275-1360 3-4 49 00. Choice 975-1300 pounds late 47 00-49 00, largely 47 50-49 00, occasionally 49 25. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1250 45 50-47 47 50. Good 40 50-45 50 including several loads 1109-1234 2-3 Holsteins 40 50-42 35, one consignment 1250 2-3 43 00. Standard and Low-Good 38 00-40 50.

Average cost slaughter steers first three days 46.72 average weight 1093 pounds as compared 47.73 and 1137 previous week and 55.98 and

Fertilizer

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Although suppliers don't want to see it, there are indications that some farmers may be tucking their spring fertilizer needs away.

Buck Rogers, manager of the Royster fertilizer plant near Landisville, said their shipments six weeks into the current fertilizer year are just about double what they were last year at this time. "I know a lot of that material is going into alfalfa seedings and some will be used in the fall, Rogers said. "But I also know that at least one of our customers is storing the fertilizer in his barn for next spring."

Rogers feels the fertilizer pinch will be with us for at least another year, and points out that rail transport is one serious bottleneck. "The railroads just don't have the rolling stock to take care of a seasonal business like ours, he said. "If the major suppliers didn't have their own leased cars, they'd be sunk."

Donald Dobson, vice-president of Lancaster's

1107 a year ago.

HEIFERS A part load Choice and Prime 1030 3-4 48 50, three loads same grade 897-1002 pounds 3-4 48 25. Bulk Choice 850-1055 3-4 46 00-48 00. Mixed Good and Choice 43 00-46 00. Good 40.00-43 00 37.00-40.00

COWS Utility and Commercial 23.50-25.00, a few utility 25.50-26.00. Canner and Cutter 20.50-23.50. Mixed Cutter and Low-Utility 23.75-24.25.

BULLS: 1-2 1400-1800 pounds 28.50-32.00. Individual head 34.50

Baltimore Eggs

Wednesday, August 14
Prices mostly 1 cent higher. Demand slow to fair. Supplies ample.

Cartoned eggs: Prices to retailers, state graded (min. one case sale) white Grade A Large 62-67, mostly 62-64; Grade A Medium 52-57, mostly 52-54.

Philadelphia Eggs

Wednesday, August 14
Prices unchanged to 1 cent higher on all sizes. Cartoning demand light. Offerings fully adequate. Undertone cautious.

Prices to retailers: Sales to volume buyers, consumer grades white eggs in cartons, delivered: store door A Extra Large 59-61½; A Large 58-60½; A Medium 46-48½.

Organic Plant Food, told us there are a lot of new plants coming on stream and that they'll eventually help ease the fertilizer situation, but not for at least another year. It takes a long time to get a new plant operational, and shortages have lengthened the already long lead time. "Some phosphate plants are all ready to go, but they don't have drag chains to bring the rock out of the bottom of the mine. So you've got a need for the material, and you've got a plant that can produce it, but you can't do anything without a drag chain. Some of those chains have been out of order for two years."

What material is available can be very expensive. "A few years ago, farmers were able to buy urea for \$90 a ton delivered to the farm," Dobson said. I got a price the other day of \$355 a ton f.o.b. New Jersey. I'm not paying that kind of price. I think there are some people along the line trying to clean up at the expense of the farmers and the fertilizer dealers."

As to how much fertilizer is going to be available, the Fertilizer Institute's Dr. White said there will be a for percent increase in the amount of nitrogen available, but he anticipates a 10 to 12 percent increase in demand. He said potash mines are being expanded both in the U.S. and Canada, but that Florida phosphate mines are being held back by groups protesting the tearing up of the Sunshine State's landscape for fertilizer.

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Fogelsville

Sale of August 8
(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb., except where noted).

Hens, heavy type 5-22, mostly 9-16; Pullets 17½-40, mostly 35-38; Roasters 25-37; Ducks 35-35½; Turkeys, Toms 20-30; Rabbits 15-50, mostly 20-40; Pigeons (per pair) 1.00-3.00, mostly 1.00. Total Coops Sold 334.

Poultry received Monday 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Tuesday 7 a.m. to 12 Noon. Sale at 11:30 a.m.

Directions - Take Rt. 2 thruway. Exit at Fogelsville exit. North on spotlight in Fogelsville, turn left, proceed 1 mile.

Eastern Pa. & N. J.

Live Poultry Report

Wednesday, August 14

Prices of light type hens slightly higher within unchanged ranges. Demand fair for adequate offerings as producers sell off flocks in face of advancing production costs. Offerings of heavy type hens short of a fair interest.

Prices paid at farm: light type hens 4-7, mostly 6½-7 in Pa.; mostly 6-7 in NJ.

Local Grain

Thursday, August 15

These prices are made up of the average prices quoted by five participating local feed and grain concerns. It should be noted, however, that not every dealer handles each commodity. All prices corn which is per ton.

The average local grain prices quoted Thursday, August 15, 1974 are as follows:

	Bid+	Offered+
Ear Corn	99.00	112.00
Shelled	3.76	4.16
Oats, Local	1.80	2.06
Western	2.13	2.35
Barley	2.55	2.85
Wheat	3.85	4.15
Soybeans	7.70	7.95

+Bid is the price the dealer will buy from the farmer delivered to the mill. Offered is the price the dealer will sell for at his mill.

Fruit Cocktail

Canned fruit cocktail is one of a few mixtures that is standardized by the Federal government. Peaches and pears make up the greater part of the mixture but it must also contain pineapple grapes and maraschino cherries.

Boring Person

Only one person in a thousand is a bore and he is interesting because he is one person in a thousand.

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT

Tuesday, August 13, 1974

Prices paid per dozen Grade "A" brown eggs in cartons delivered to retail stores:

	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MASS+	61-69	59-64	46-57	34-41
Mostly	62-64	60-62	47-49	35-36
NEW HAMP	59-66	57-64	44-51	32-39
Mostly	61-62	59-60	46-47	34-35
R. I.	65-66	60-61	50-51	37-38
Mostly				
VERMONT	63-71	61-69	48-59	
Mostly	63-69	61-67	48-57	
MAINE	63-65	61-63	48-50	36-38
Mostly				

+Includes Central & Western Sections Only.

Delmarva

Broiler-Fryer Market
Wednesday, August 14

Ready to cook movement spotty ranging light and disappointing to fair in some areas. Slaughter schedules fairly heavy. Today's less than trucklot asking prices mostly held unchanged on both Plant and US Grade A. Limited early trading for next week noted at 35 cents on Plant Grade. Live supplies ample. Undertone unsettled.

Negotiated trucklot prices 2-3 pound ready to cook broiler-fryers for delivery next week: US Grade A, none; Plant Grade 35.

Current broiler-fryer negotiated prices for immediate delivery mostly multiple-drop shipments to New York City from Delmarva: Range: US Grade A 36-37; Plant Grade 34½-35½; Premium US Grade A 38-39; Premium Plant Grade 36-37. Weighted Average: US Grade A 36.22; Plant Grade 34.97; Premium US Grade A 38.57; Premium Plant Grade 36.22.

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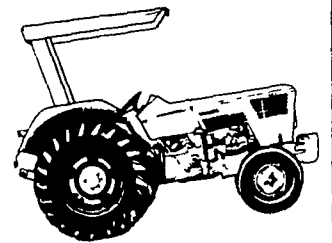
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