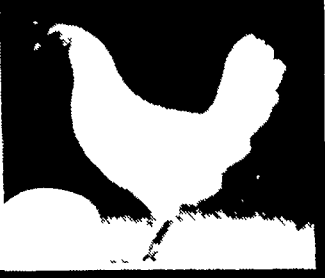


POULTRY MARKETS



Nest Run Eggs

Prices are from Egg Clearinghouse, Inc., (ECI) Durham, N.H. and reflect trading prices for gradable 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		DATE	DATE
		Feb. 21 Tuesday	Feb. 23 Thursday
Class 1 - Large	48 lbs.	.84½	.82
Class 2 - Large	45 lbs.	.82	.82
Class 3 - Medium	42 lbs.	.81	.81
Class 4 - Small	39 lbs.	.75	.75
Breaking Stock	48 lbs.	.76	.75
Checks	48 lbs.	.70	.69

N.E. Weekly Shell Egg Report

Tuesday, February 21
Report supplied by USDA

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

	Ex. Large	Large	Medium	Small
MASS. X	1.21-1.23	1.19-1.21	1.14-1.16	.92-.94
Mostly	1.21	1.19	1.14	.92
N. HAMP.	1.16-1.20	1.09-1.13	1.07-1.11	1.02-1.06
Mostly	1.18-1.19	1.11-1.12	1.09-1.10	1.04-1.05
R.I.	1.11-1.16	1.09-1.14	1.04-1.09	.81-.86
Mostly	1.11-1.12	1.09-1.10	1.04-1.05	.81-.86
VERMONT	1.16-1.20	1.15	1.05-1.10	
Mostly	1.20	1.15	1.10	
MAINE	1.16-1.21	1.14-1.19	1.09-1.14	.87-.92

X Includes Central and Western Sections only.

New York Multiple Drop Broiler Report

Thursday, February 23
Report supplied by USDA

Current broiler/fryer negotiated prices for immediate delivery includes mostly multiple-drop shipments to New York City from Delmarva.

RANGE: U.S. Grade A .61-.67; Weighted AVG.: U.S. Grade A 65.05; Premium (X) Boxes 10,799. (X) Includes special services, selected competitive brands, etc.

Heinsey's Poultry Market

Root's, East Petersburg
Tuesday, February 21

Report supplied by auction

RABBITS: 4-6 lbs. range .76-1.08 per lb.
RABBITS: 7-11 lbs. range .70-.92 per lb.
BUNNIES: range .75-2.00 ea.
GUINEA PIGS: range .50-2.25 ea.
GOATS: range 21.00-54.00 ea.
KID GOATS: range 19.00-42.00 ea.
TOTAL NUMBER COOPS: 265.

Delmarva Poultry

Thursday, February 23
Report supplied by USDA

Market Comment: Movement on RTC whole birds ranges from fair to good and is generally sufficient to keep most plants in satisfactory balance. Breasts and cutlets are adequate overall, but an improved call was noted in some quarters. Other items in good balance and clearing fairly well.

Slaughter schedules are moderately heavy. Live supplies are light to mostly adequate. Weights remain irregular, but overall the weights have increased. Undertone steady.

Today's L.T.L. asking prices are unchanged on U.S. Grade A at 61-67 cents.

Estimated slaughter of broiler fryers in Delmarva (000).

Estimated 2/23 1,920; Actual 2/16 1,809; Actual 2/21 1,911; Average Weights 2/21 4.28; Average Weights 2/14 4.32.

Philadelphia Eggs

Thursday, February 23
Report supplied by USDA

MARKET COMMENT: Prices are unchanged to higher on mediums, unchanged on the balance. Cartoned egg movement is fair to good with the best demand centering on retail promotions. Large and heavier weight eggs are fully adequate to ample. Mediums are adequate at best. Undertone unsettled on large, steady on mediums.

Prices to retailers: sales to volume buyers, consumer grades white eggs in cartons delivered store door:

A Extra Large .99-1.03; A Large .98-1.02; A Medium .89-.93.

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Weekly New York Egg Market

From Friday, February 17 to Thursday, February 23

	Fri.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.
WHITE					
Jumbo	1.04	Closed	1.04	1.04	1.04
Ex Large	1.03	Closed	1.03	1.03	1.03
Large	1.02	Closed	1.02	1.02	1.02
Mediums	.94	Closed	.94	.96	.96
Pullets	.84	Closed	.84	.84	.84
Off Grade	.95	Closed	.93	.93	.93

	Fri.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.
BROWN					
Jumbo	-	-	-	-	-
Ex Large	1.14	Closed	1.14	1.14	1.14
Large	1.12	Closed	1.12	1.12	1.12
Mediums	1.06	Closed	1.06	1.06	1.06
Pullets	Unquoted				
Peewees	Unquoted				

	Fri.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.
Off Grade					
Undergrades	.72	Closed	.71	.71	.69
Checks	.70	Closed	.69	.69	.67

Breaking Stock: Friday - 23.10-23.40, 23.40-23.70; Tuesday - 22.80-23.10, 23.10-23.40; Thursday - 22.20-22.50, 22.50-22.80.

Eastern Pa. & N.J. Poultry

Wednesday, February 22
Report supplied by USDA

Market Comment: Trading remains light. Deliveries of light type hens into plants this week continue to be in a price range of 29-30 cents., but indications of some weakness in pricing is noted for arrivals next week. Offerings of live still remain limited, and plants continue to run much reduced schedules.

Prices Paid at Farm:

Light Type Hens: too few to report.

F.O.B. Plant: too few to report.

Weekly Cattle

Thursday, February 23
Report supplied by USDA

FEEDERS: (Including around 1,500 at the regular Thursday auction.) Feeders Steers and Heifers unevenly steady to 2.00 lower; Feeder Steers under 700 lbs. 1.00-2.00 lower; over 700 lbs. steady. Feeder Heifers under 500 lbs. 1.00-2.00 lower; over 500 lbs. firm.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large Frame 1: 300-400 lbs. 66.00-73.00; 400-500 lbs. 65.00-71.00; 500-700 lbs. 64.00-69.00; 700-800 lbs. 64.00-66.00; 800-1000 lbs. 62.00-65.00.

FEEDER BULLS: Few 475-800 lbs. 59.00-63.00.

LARGE FRAME 2 HOLSTEINS. Few 400-1200 lbs. 49.00-54.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large Frame 1: 250-400 lbs. 55.00-59.00; 400-600 lbs. 53.00-59.00; 600-800 lbs. 55.00-60.00, one lot 63.00. MEDIUM AND LARGE FRAME 1-2: Few 500-600 lbs. 51.00-53.00.



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