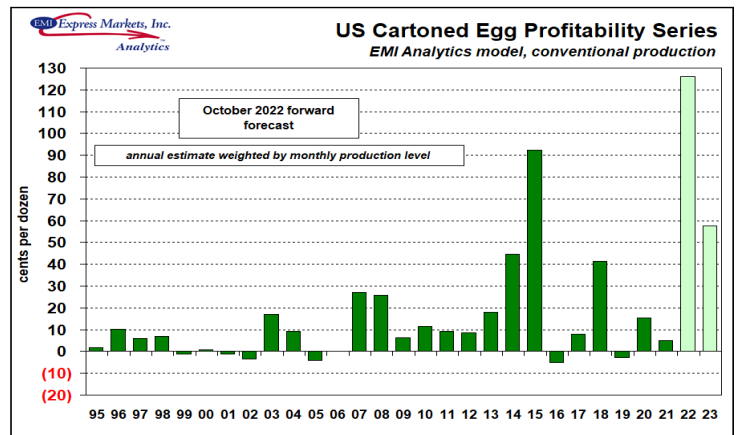
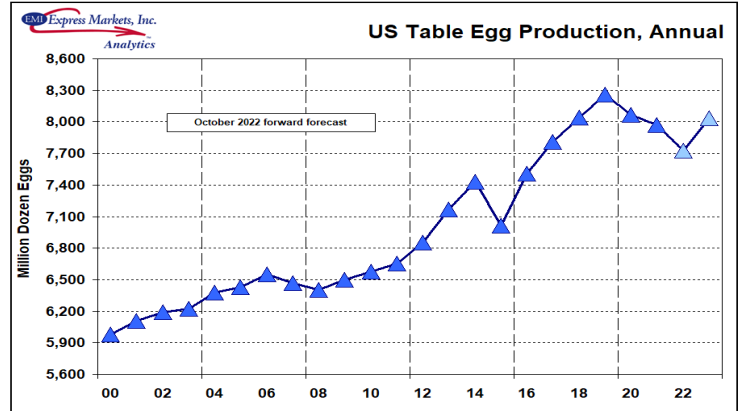
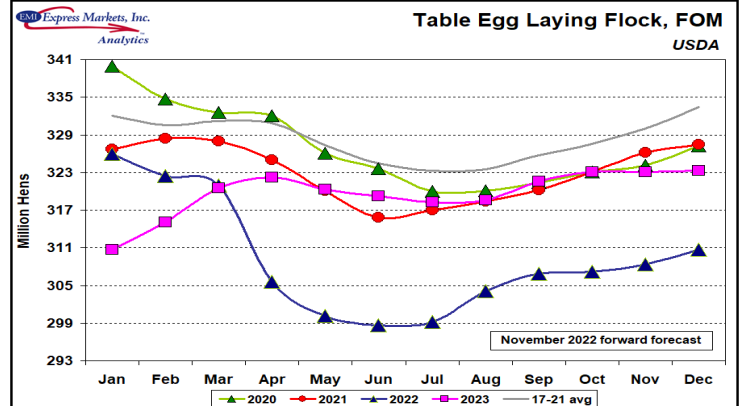
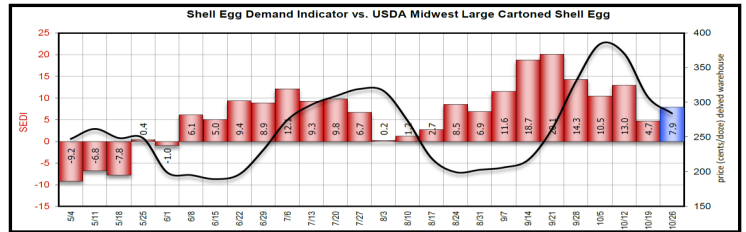


EGG MARKET RECAP

Supply and Demand Factors

- As of October 26th, 4.31 days of shell eggs were on hand for marketing, according to AMS, up a tenth of a day compared to our late September update. Consumer demand for eggs continues to see improvement, with wholesale prices moving higher yet again. The preliminary survey of retail outlets by USDA noted very light featuring activity on conventional shell eggs as prices move sharply higher. Featuring on specialty focused on Organic, with 80% of featuring. Shell egg pricing has declined from reaching over \$4/dz during early October yet offerings remain light to moderate, with supplies light to moderate. Repopulation of flocks is anticipated to continue through the end of the year, yet some tightness on the hatching egg side, along with increased costs, could impact the magnitude and pace of the increase, as well re-occurrences of HPAI. No new egg layer depopulations have occurred since September.
- Even with growth from month prior, September Table-Type Egg Layer Flocks, during month, declined from year prior during the month, totaling 307.0 million hens, a 4.5% decline from year prior, yet increased 1.6 million hens from August. Eggs per layer increased from year prior, averaging 24.5 eggs per month, a 1.3% increase. Total table egg production during September totaled 630 million dozen eggs, a 3.3% decline from year prior. Table egg production for 2022 is anticipated to remain below year prior for the remainder of the year, with current estimates totaling 7.72 million dozen eggs, which would be a 3-3.5% decline from year prior. Year to date, over 35 million layers have been lost to HPAI depopulations, with most recent losses occurring on September 3rd and 21st in both Ohio and Colorado. HPAI will likely continue to be a concern into early 2023.
- Based on USDA's reported numbers for September, Cage Free Layers currently constitute approximately 34.2% of the laying flock, totaling 105.1 million layers during September. Of that amount, 17.1% were certified organic. Growth in cage free layers have slowed this past year with HPAI losses.
- 2022 Cartoned Egg Margins are currently forecasted at an average of \$1.25 per dozen on conventional production as production losses due to HPAI and increased demand has pushed market pricing above the increases in feed ingredients. Breakfast demand away from home remains mixed, with remote work likely here to remain for the long run. 2022 foodservice trends listed eggs and 'all day breakfast' as a top trend this year. Even with high retail prices, consumers have continued to demand shell eggs, even through the summer which is typically a slower demand period.



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Market Trends

- Shell Egg markets move higher, but remain below month earlier records; Retail features hit new record high price.** Supplies are light to moderate, yet thoughts are mixed into next week if new retail highs will limit consumer demand into the beginning of November. Undertone is slightly higher on pricing into next week, with the holidays quickly approaching. Retail purchases for w/e November 4th are estimated to be unchanged from this week, per the National Retail Egg Purchases report. Cases purchased this week were up 20%. Retail ads for USDA Grade A regular cartoned eggs were noted at \$3.99 for a 12 pack, \$2.73 above the same week year prior and up \$2.11 from week prior. Promotional activity focused on Organic, with overall feature rate declining over 17 percentage points from the same week last year to 8.2%. As of October 24th, weekly shell egg inventory declined 1.6% week over week.
- Breaking Stock markets anticipated to be steadier this week after 13 cent rise week over week.** Demand is light to moderate with increased pricing, with light offerings and supplies light to moderate, currently. Breaking stock production is up 0.4% year to date (compared to being up 3.8% during the same time period 2021), with inventory for October 24th being reported up 4.2% week over week.
- Liquid Egg Products generally too few to report.** Yolk is steady. Undertone is mostly steady. Spot offerings remain light, with product typically being utilized for existing contract needs. Demand is moderate to good for all liquid products. Liquid whole production is up 6.7% YTD, while liquid yolk and white have declined 10.3% and 8.0%, respectively, YTD.
- Frozen markets are mixed, with whole and whites slightly lower; yolks steady.** Sentiment is steady to slightly lower. Demand is moderate to good into all channels, with seasonal and contractual demand as we enter fall. Offerings are light.
- Dried Whole steady, while Dried Whites move lower.** Supplies are light. Demand is moderate to good, with increases in spot movement. Offerings are light to moderate. Dried production has declined 20.8% compared to year prior. During the same time period of 2021, production declined 14.7% YTD.

Shell Eggs	Current Week Ended	Prior Week Ended	Change
<i>cents per dozen</i>	10/28/2022	10/21/2022	
USDA MW Table Eggs, Delivered Warehouse	287.50	278.50	9.0
USDA MW Table Eggs, Delivered Store	292.00	283.00	9.0
USDA Central State Breaking Stock	253.10	239.90	13.2

Liquid Eggs	Current Week Ended	Prior Week Ended	Change
<i>cents per pound</i>	10/28/2022	10/21/2022	
USDA Liquid Whole	Too Few	Too Few	
USDA Liquid Whites	Too Few	Too Few	
USDA Liquid Yolks	351.00	Too Few	

Frozen Eggs	Current Week Ended	Prior Week Ended	Change
<i>cents per pound</i>	10/28/2022	10/21/2022	
USDA Frozen Whole Eggs, National	269.00	269.00	0.0
USDA Frozen Egg Whites, National	177.00	177.50	-0.5
USDA Frozen Egg Yolks, Sugared, National	376.50	377.50	-1.0
USDA Frozen Egg Yolks, Salted, National	377.50	377.50	0.0

Dried Eggs	Current Week Ended	Prior Week Ended	Change
<i>cents per pound</i>	10/28/2022	10/21/2022	
USDA Dried Whole Eggs	1262.50	1262.50	0.0
USDA Dried Egg White	1465.00	1555.00	-90.0
USDA Dried Egg Yolks	Too Few	Too Few	

