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## Netherlands

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### Dutch Egg Processors Preparing for Export to the U.S.

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**Report Highlights:**

Due to the avian influenza outbreaks in the United States, reportedly a shortage of processed egg products exists. On April 30, 2015, four Dutch egg processors reached eligibility to export to the United States. Currently the Dutch processors are determining their potential to export and take advantage of the increased import demand.

In June 2014, the USDA / Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) conducted an equivalence verification audit of the Netherlands processed eggs inspection systems. On April 30, 2015, the final audit report was sent to the Dutch Government. In the report the Dutch inspection system for processed eggs has been determined to be equivalent to that of the FSIS, and therefore meets the U.S. level of protection. On June 1, the FSIS published the [list](#) of four processors which are eligible to export. The only obstacle for resuming the trade is the absence of a Health Certificate. A new model certificate will be made available in the short term.

Due to the avian influenza outbreaks in the United States, media and industry are reporting a shortage of processed egg products. As a consequence of the equivalency, the Dutch exporters may be able to take advantage of the potential shortage of egg products in the United States. U.S. dairy and food companies are seeking alternative sources to meet their demands.

Due to the increased demand from the United States, Dutch processors are reportedly producing at a high level. This increased demand is also reflected in a price hike of eggs during the last week of May and the first week of June. This year, Dutch egg farmers faced low prices due to an elevated production in the EU of in particular free range eggs. For up to date price information consult the website below:

<http://www.pluimveebeurs.com/prijsinformatie>

Annually, the Netherlands exports about 165,000 MT of egg products, with a value of about \$400 million. About 125,000 MT is product not in shell and fresh, and about 40,000 MT is further processed. In both 2010 and 2011, Dutch exports of not in shell and fresh products to the U.S. totaled about 100 MT (\$670,000), and were terminated in 2012. Currently the Dutch exporters are determining their potential to export both the dry as well as the liquid product. The volume of sales will depend on the specific product requirements and related prices.

Below are the Dutch egg processors which are eligible to export to the United States:

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