



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 29-Oct-99 - Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	66.32	55.04	59.67	75.15	66.25
Last week	56.80	44.58	47.82	62.28	55.08

Selected Cities - 29-Oct-99 **New York** 69-72 **Chicago** 60-65 **California** 80

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 25-Oct-99 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	137.9	207.1	98.8	151.1	162.8	757.7	448.9	1206.6
% change PW	9	-9	-11	-1	-3	-3	-11	-6

Breaking Stock - 29-Oct-99 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	38-40	35-39
Checks & Undergrades	20-25 M 23-25	21-25

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 23-Oct-99.

	Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)					
	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,222,202	27,415	12,378	6,684	2,630	3,842
Previous Week	1,245,446*	28,921*	11,437	6,558	2,803	3,858*
Last Year	1,068,886	25,549	9,553	5,052	2,118	3,535
% Change PW	-2	-5	8	2	-6	0
% Change LY	15	7	30	32	24	9
To Date 1999	46,889,847*	1,087,237*	448,326	244,628	108,732	148,220*
To Date 1998	44,439,645	1,013,612	440,006	234,062	107,416	143,092

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE

Current Week: 41.17 **Previous Week:** 40.77 **Last Year:** 41.18

*Revised

National Liquid Eggs - 29-Oct-99 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
Whole	11	30-37.5	35.09	5.96
Whites	14	23-27	26.11	.43
Yolks	10	53-54	53.80	4.51

Pasteurized whites were reported at 28.5 cents FOB. Pasteurized salt yolk was reported at 53 cents FOB.

Frozen Egg Prices - 29-Oct-99 - wholesale selling prices cents/lb, 30 lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)		
	Eastern		Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	44-47 M	45-46	45-47	50-56	51-54
Blends ³	Too Few To Report			55-70	-
Whites	36-41 M	38-40	37-40 M	39-40	42-45
Yolks ⁴					
Sugared	56-64 M	60-61	59-64 M	59-61	64-67
Salted	55-59 M	56-57	56-61 M	56-58	61-64

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 29-Oct-99 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.61 - 1.75	1.65 - 1.70
Yolks	1.40 - 1.50	1.44 - 1.46
Albumen, Spray Dried	3.10 - 3.30	3.10 - 3.25
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.25 - 1.40	1.30 - 1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 23-Oct-99

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,952	This week	408	This week	2,360
Last week	1,683	Last week	353	Last week	2,036
Last year	1,848	Last year	321	Last year	2,169
To Date 1999	87,528	To Date 1999	19,483	To Date 1999	107,011
To Date 1998	85,938	To Date 1998	21,924	To Date 1998	107,862

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Oct-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	304	0	40	344
Last year*	271	0	0	271
To date 1999	11,179	6	504	11,689
To date 1998	12,258	50	537	12,845

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Oct-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	120	42	0	162
Last year*	81	0	0	81
To date 1999	3,762	443	169	4,374
To date 1998	3,419	172	235	3,826

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Oct-99

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,780	3,901	900	13,980	750	21,311
Last year*	0	0	2,091	1,125	19,136	0	22,352
To date 1999	1,131	35,499	118,361	40,064	513,143	7,967	716,165
To date 1998	1,295	29,491	94,064	48,094	286,859	6,133	465,936

*Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 22-Oct-99

Total Layers on 01-Oct-99 totaled 323 million, up 3% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Oct-99 averaged 70.2 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from the 69.3 a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Oct-99 = 265 million, up 3% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Oct-99 averaged 72.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from 01-Oct-98.

30 Major Egg Production States produced 6.44 billion eggs during Sep-99, up 5% from Sep-98.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Sep-99 totaled 38.8 million, up 2% from Sep-98.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 35.3 million on 01-Oct-99, up 10% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 227,000 during Sep-99, down 30% from Sep-98.

30 SELECTED STATES

Table egg type layers on 01-Oct-99 = 250.0 million, up 3% from 01-Oct-98.

Eggs per 100 table egg layers on 01-Oct-99 = 72.6, up 2% from 01-Oct-98.

Layers in forced molt on 01-Oct-99 were 4.2%, down 14% from those in molt on 01-Oct-98.

Layers with molt completed on 01-Oct-99 were 22.9%, up 6% from 01-Oct-98.

Layers sold during Sep-99 totaled 16.2 million, up 11% from Sep-98.

Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during Sep-99 were 3.4 million, up 10% from Sep-98.

Pullets less than 20 weeks of age on 01-Oct-99 = 90.8 million, up 1% from 01-Oct-98.

Pullets added during Sep-99 = 20.1 million, down 7% from Sep-98.

For information on "Chickens and Eggs" call Dan Boostrom at (202)720-3244, office hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

INVITATION: PASTEURIZED WHOLE EGGS

October 22, 1999

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) invites offers to sell pasteurized whole eggs as indicated below and per the announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Washington, D.C. time, on Monday, November 1.

Inv. Number	Product	Offer Date	Acceptance Not Later Than Date	Delivery Period
023	5-pound cartons Bulk tankers	Nov. 01	Nov. 05	Dec. 16-31

Note that an amount of the 5-pound cartons in this Invitation has been set aside for small business concerns.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, PO Box 96456, Washington, D.C. 20090-6456. An electronic version of this food purchase report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

For additional information, please call 404-562-5850 (main office phone), 404-562-5870 (Johnny Freeman's phone), or 404-562-5875 (office fax). Internet address for individual reports: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/marketnews.htm>