



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 30-Jul-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	82.58	72.18	79.82	99.49	86.02
Last week	77.12	62.65	66.97	84.43	75.42

Selected Cities - 30-Jul-99 **New York** 82-85 **Chicago** 72-77 **California** 105

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 26-Jul-99 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	113.5	167.3	95.9	139.2	168.4	684.3	437.3	1121.6
% change PW	21	9	14	8	18	14	-6	5

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

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	42-45 M 43-44	42-45
Checks & Undergrades	27-29 M 28	25-29

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 24-Jul-99.

	Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)					
	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,088,863	26,278	9,924	4,849	2,413	3,483
Previous Week	1,104,967	26,772	9,997	5,140	2,709	*3,672*
Last Year	1,052,714	24,014	9,967	5,107	2,361	3,534
% Change PW	-1	-2	-1	-6	-11	-5
% Change LY	3	9	0	-5	2	-1
To Date 1999	31,490,508	730,155	304,647	167,005	76,345	*98,929*
To Date 1998	30,356,008	686,823	303,565	164,293	77,114	98,081
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE						
Current Week:	40.90	Previous Week: 41.25		Last Year: 40.49		

* Indicates a revision to previous week's data.

National Liquid Eggs - 30-Jul-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	18	30-38.5	36.92	.99
Whites	10	31-32	31.60	2.00
Yolks	6	45-50	47.33	1.33

Pasteurized whites were reported at 32 to 33 cents FOB.

Pasteurized salt yolk noted at 44-49.5 cents FOB.

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

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central	Eastern	South California ²	
Whole	44-49 M	44-46	46-50 M	48-49	50-54	53-56
Blends ³	Too Few To Report				50-65	-
Whites	38-42 M	40-42	38-43 M	40-42	43-54	45-48
Yolks ⁴						
Sugared	52-57 M	53-55	53-58 M	56-57	58-64	60-63
Salted	49-54 M	50-53	51-55 M	53-54	55-62	57-60

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 - 30-Jul-99 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.55 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.60
Yolks	1.30 - 1.60	1.35 - 1.45
Albumen, Spray Dried	3.20 - 3.45	3.30 - 3.40
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.20 - 1.30	1.25 - 1.30

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 24-Jul-99

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	2,217	This week	471	This week	2,688
Last week	1,978	Last week	506	Last week	2,484
Last year	2,192	Last year	410	Last year	2,602
To Date 1999	62,846	To Date 1999	14,314	To Date 1999	77,160
To Date 1998	61,412	To Date 1998	16,166	To Date 1998	77,578

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 17-Jul-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	58	0	0	58
Last year*	108	0	0	108
To date 1999	7,961	6	333	8,300
To date 1998	7,464	50	332	7,846

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 17-Jul-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	27	17	0	44
Last year*	36	1	0	37
To date 1999	2,318	158	141	2,617
To date 1998	2,322	130	225	2,677

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 17-Jul-99

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	400	2,454	1,020	14,140	120	18,134
Last year*	0	0	1,327	450	2,210	1,520	5,507
To date 1999	567	17,713	66,800	27,927	300,631	3,588	417,226
To date 1998	782	21,327	56,711	32,020	127,795	5,443	244,078

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

All prior data subject to revision. Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division. For additional information, please call (515) 284-4471.

Total Layers on 01-Jul-99 totaled 320 million, up 3% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Jul-99 averaged 70.1 eggs per 100 layers, up fractionally from the 70.0 a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Jul-99 = 259 million, up 3% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Jul-99 averaged 72.3 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from 01-Jul-98.

30 Major Egg Production States produced 6.35 billion eggs during Jun-99, up 4% from JUN-98.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during JUN-99 totaled 40.6 million, up 3% from Jun-98.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 31.0 million on 01-Jul-99, down 3% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 187,000 during Jun-99, down 47% from Jun-98.

30 SELECTED STATES

Table egg type layers on 01-Jul-99 = 246.0 million, up 3% from 01-Jul-98.

Eggs per 100 table egg layers on 01-Jul-99 = 72.2, down 1% from 01-Jul-98.

Layers in forced molt on 01-Jul-99 were 5.5%, up 45% from those in molt on 01-Jul-98.

Layers with molt completed on 01-Jul-99 were 22.2%, up 3% from 01-Jul-98.

Layers sold for slaughter during Jun-99 totaled 16.9 million, up 15% from Jun-98.

Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during Jun-99 were 3.7 million, down 13% from Jun-98.

Pullets less than 20 weeks of age on 01-Jul-99 = 93.4 million, up 5% from 01-Jul-98.

Pullets added during Jun-99 = 22.1 million, up 10% from Jun-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.

USDA ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX PROGRAM RE-OPENED:

July 28, 1999

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced that the purchase program under Announcement PY-218 for all purpose egg mix for food nutrition assistance programs has re-opened.

ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX, INVITATION NO. 8, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-218

July 29, 1999

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell all purpose egg mix per the Announcement for use by recipients in food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Washington D.C. time, Monday, August 16, 1999. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, August 20. Deliveries are to be made from Oct. 1 to Oct. 15, Oct. 16 to Oct. 31, Nov. 1 to Nov. 15, Nov. 16 to Nov. 30, Dec. 1 to Dec. 15, and Dec. 16 to Dec. 31. Offers are invited from the trade for:

6-ounce Pouches- All purpose egg mix packaged in plastic laminated foil pouches, 6 ounces (170 g) to each pouch and 18 pounds (8.16 kg) net in each fiberboard shipping container.

A purchase unit will consist of 2,000 shipping containers (forty-eight 6-ounce (170 g) pouches each) totaling 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg) net weight.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-218, Appendix-1, as amended, the Commodity Specification for All Purpose Egg Mix, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this invitation 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), 404-562-5864 (Audrina Lange's phone), or 404-562-5875 (office fax). Internet address for individual reports: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/marketnews.htm>