



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 27-Oct-00 - 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	73.18	65.30	73.37	89.92	77.40
Last week	72.14	65.14	74.63	90.28	77.27

Selected Cities Large - 27-Oct-00 **New York** 74-77 **Chicago** 66-71 **California** 95

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 23-Oct-00 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	132.4	251.6	122.4	186.7	189.7	882.8	378.5	1261.3
% change PW	7	6	1	6	1	4	1	3

Breaking Stock 27-Oct-00 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	45-48 M 46-47	40-45 M 43-44
Checks & Undergrades	30-33	26-31

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 21-Oct-00.
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,204,941	28,243	11,785	6,404	2,164	3,997
Previous Week	1,174,939	26,943	11,726	6,040	2,403	4,037
Last Year	1,215,317	27,432	12,099	6,613	2,655	3,962
% Change PW	3	5	1	6	-10	-1
% Change LY	-1	3	-3	-3	-18	1
To Date 2000	49,203,917	1,111,861	495,483	266,047	118,690	163,675
To Date 1999	46,882,953	1,080,961	448,047	244,438	108,766	148,340

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE
Current Week: 41.85 **Previous Week:** 41.49 **Last Year:** 41.23

National Liquid Eggs - 27-Oct-00 - 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	17	39-41	40.00	.21
Whites	19	23-26.5	24.37	-.73
Yolks	9	59-61	59.89	.64

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 60 to 62.75 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 27-Oct-00 - wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)	
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	49-53 M 50-52	49-54 M 50-52	53-56	55-58
Blends ³	Too Few To Report		65-85	-
Whites	35-39 M 37-39	36-39	42-54	41-44
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	67-72 M 68-71	66-72 M 69-72	69-72	72-75
Salted	62-70 M 64-66	64-69 M 66-69	66-70	69-72

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 - 27-Oct-00 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.72 - 1.90	1.75 - 1.85
Yolks	1.50 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.65
Albumen, Spray Dried	2.75 - 3.10	2.80 - 2.90
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.27 - 1.40	1.30 - 1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 21-Oct-00

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,463	This week	347	This week	1,810
Last week	1,674	Last week	293	Last week	1,967
Last year	1,952	Last year	408	Last year	2,360
To Date 2000	79,795	To Date 2000	19,369	To Date 2000	99,164
To Date 1999	87,528	To Date 1999	19,447	To Date 1999	106,975

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Oct-00

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	202	0	40	242
Last year*	304	0	40	344
To date 2000	5,814	159	459	6,432
To date 1999	11,179	6	504	11,689

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Oct-00

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	58	12	26	96
Last year*	120	42	0	162
To date 2000	4,225	711	738	5,674
To date 1999	3,762	443	169	4,374

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Oct-00

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	111	1,313	2,620	549	9,750	0	14,343
Last year*	0	1,780	3,901	900	13,980	750	21,311
To date 2000	2,161	41,905	120,353	28,196	318,484	9,387	520,486
To date 1999	1,131	35,535	118,361	40,064	513,143	7,967	716,201

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

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Sep-00
Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	448	610	9,602	3,761	14,421
Previous Month	593	565	9,571	4,182	14,911
Last year	577	697	7,202	1,006	9,482
% of Previous Month	76	108	100	90	97
% of Last Year	78	88	133	374	152

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 23-Oct-00

Total Layers on 01-Oct-00 totaled 326 million, up 1% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Oct-00 averaged 69.2 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from the 70.6 a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Sep-00 = 324 million, up 1% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Sep-00 averaged 72.5 eggs per 100 layers, down 1% from 01-Sep-99.

30 Major Egg Production States produced 6.40 billion eggs during Sep-00, down 1% from Sep-99.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Sep-00 totaled 36.3 million, down 8% from Sep-99.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 32 million on 01-Oct-00, down 10% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 277,000 during Sep-00, up 22% from Sep-99.

30 SELECTED STATES

Table egg type layers on 01-Oct-00 = 270.0 million, up 2% from 01-Oct-99.

Eggs per 100 table egg layers on 01-Oct-00 = 70.9, down 3% from 01-Oct-99.

Layers in forced molt on 01-Oct-00 were 5.7%, up 36% from those in molt on 01-Oct-99.

Layers with molt completed on 01-Oct-00 were 22.5%, down 1% from 01-Oct-99.

Layers sold during Sep-00 totaled 15.0 million, down 11% from Sep-99.

Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during Sep-00 were 4.4 million, up 23% from Sep-99.

Pullets less than 20 weeks of age on 01-Oct-00 = 94.3 million, down 3% from 01-Oct-99.

Pullets added during Sep-00 = 21.6 million, down 2% from Sep-99.

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