



**USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News
Weekly Egg Products Report
November 1, 2002**

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12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 01-Nov-02 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	78.86	66.35	66.93	90.14	79.04
Last week	67.99	53.37	55.99	76.08	66.43

Selected Cities Large - 01-Nov-02 New York 82-86 Chicago 72-76 California 98

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 28-Oct-02 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	134.4	306.1	172.4	220.7	245.4	1079.0	260.0	1339.0
% change PW	10	2	15	12	8	8	-6	5

Breaking Stock 01-Nov-02 - 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 45-47	39-45	M 41-44
Checks & Undergrades	32-36		29-38	M 30-32

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 25-Oct-02.
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,190,127	29,977	9,999	5,363	2,363	4,201
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,237,893	28,808	11,898	6,420	2,896	4,256
LAST YEAR	1,195,090	27,560	12,037	6,317	2,685	4,319
% CHANGE PW	-4	4	-16	-16	-18	-1
% CHANGE LY	0	9	-17	-15	-12	-3
TO-DATE 2002	*52,119,237**	1,213,050*	501,619	269,613	123,809	*184,818*
TO-DATE 2001	49,803,928	1,130,122	500,513	267,685	110,462	177,613
% CHANGE YTD	5	7	0	1	12	4

**Year to date 2002 for cases broken, liquid whole, and inedible revised.*

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 41.63 Previous Week: 41.51 Last Year: 42.03

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.10 Previous Week: 38.07 Last Year: 38.42

National Liquid Eggs - 01-Nov-02 - 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	27	37-41	38.56	2.13
Whites	22	9-15	13.23	.49
Yolks	9	82-88	84.89	3.79

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 81 to 84 cents fob with pasteurized whites reported at 17.5 to 18.5 cents fob.

Frozen Egg Prices - 01-Nov-02 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)	
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	44-49 M 46-47	46-49 M 47	54-58	53-56
Blends ³	Too Few To Report		71-90	-
Whites	21-32 M 22-24	22-32 M 22-25	28-42	28-31
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	85-93 M 89-91	89-91 M 90-91	92-98	94-97
Salted	82-87 M 83-85	83-88 M 87	87-95	90-93

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 - 01-Nov-02 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.60 - 1.93	1.65 - 1.75
Yolks	1.92 - 2.20	2.00 - 2.05
Albumen, Spray Dried	1.55 - 2.00	1.60 - 1.70
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.25 - 1.40	1.35 - 1.40

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 26-Oct-02

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,842	This week	212	This week	2,054
Last week	1,822	Last week	294	Last week	2,116
Last year	1,855	Last year	355	Last year	2,210
To Date 2002	75,661	To Date 2002	13,105	To Date 2002	88,766
To Date 2001	76,768	To Date 2001	18,182	To Date 2001	94,950

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 19-Oct-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	552	0	0	552
Last year /1	405	0	160	565
To date 2002	21,251	21	735	22,007
To date 2001	10,471	78	240	10,789

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 19-Oct-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	70	5	120	195
Last year /1	90	77	0	167
To date 2002	5,122	2,889	4,411	12,422
To date 2001	4,514	1,301	486	6,301

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 19-Oct-02

	Jumbo	*X-Large	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	2,175	4,252	750	7,620	0	14,797
Last year /1	0	1,050	4,432	330	5,910	0	11,722
To date 2002	1,596	34,055	108,367	40,361	288,575	14,797	487,751
To date 2001	87	56,522	112,628	37,228	332,570	68,144	607,179

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 280,000 pounds of whole eggs--to be produced from about 7,000 cases of shell eggs--at a cost of approximately \$156,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices	No. of Bids
		Inv. No. 12	Accepted
5-pound cartons	280,000	\$0.5482-\$0.5667	3 of 3

It was also announced that the purchase program for whole eggs is nearing end.

Total purchases of whole eggs since the program was announced on May 7, 2002, follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
30-pound cartons	277,000	\$ 148,000
5-pound cartons	10,085,000	\$5,484,000
bulk tankers	5,232,000	\$2,007,000

Next offers under Announcement PY-257 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance	Delivery Period
			Not Later Than Date	
13	5-pound cartons	Nov. 12	Nov. 15	Dec. 16-31

****Tuesday****

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

The awards for whole eggs made today under Announcement PY-257, Invitation 12, to be delivered from Dec. 1 to Dec. 15, follow:

5-pound Cartons

American Egg Products, Inc.	80,040 @ \$0.5667
Crystal Lake Egg Products	40,020 @ \$0.5542
Sonstegard Foods Company	160,080 @ \$0.5482-0.5582

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. 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>.

WHOLE EGGS, INVITATION NO. 13, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-257

October 31, 2002

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell 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 12 noon, Central Time, **Tuesday, Nov. 12 (due to the holiday on Monday for Federal employees)**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Nov. 15. Deliveries are to be made from Dec. 16 to Dec. 31.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the **Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>**. Offers submitted by any means

other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. **Note that some item numbers and the associated quantities for the 5-pound cartons have been set-aside for small business concerns and are indicated by a single asterisk.** Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-257, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Whole Eggs dated May 2000, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, 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>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-257, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Five-pound cartons (082065) - Frozen homogenized whole eggs with a color stabilizer packaged 5 pounds (2.27 kg) net weight in a pitcher-pour type, polyethylene-coated paperboard carton, and packed six 5-pound (2.27 kg) cartons per fiberboard shipping container with 30 pounds (13.61 kg) net weight. A purchase unit will consist of 1,334 shipping containers totaling 40,020 pounds (18,153 kg).