



**USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News
Weekly Egg Products Report
January 3, 2003**

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12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - Effective January 3, 2003, this report was replaced by the Weekly Combined Regional report. This change is necessitated by the change in egg price reporting procedures.

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	***	***	***	***	***
Last week	72.03	60.48	70.40	86.03	74.15

Combined Regional Report - Combined regional for week ending 03-Jan-03 average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Midwest	Southeast	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	64.00	55.00	62.50	63.00	61.19

Selected Cities Large - 03-Jan-03: New York 67-71 Chicago 57-63 California 91

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

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	100.0	332.0	141.4	174.3	205.5	953.2	328.0	1281.2
% change PW	14	11	4	9	2	8	20	11

Breaking Stock 03-Jan-03 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	30-32 M 31	29-33 M 30-31
Checks & Undergrades	16-21	16-26 M 17-20

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 28-Dec-02.
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,016,048	24,757	8,959	4,884	2,973	3,616
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,185,381	29,075	10,643	5,737	2,595	4,260
LAST YEAR	988,416	21,439	10,240	5,654	2,651	3,641
% CHANGE PW	-14	-15	-16	-15	15	-15
% CHANGE LY	3	15	-13	-14	12	-1
TO-DATE 2002	62,503,153	1,465,932	594,295	319,444	144,323	221,819
TO-DATE 2001	60,283,464	1,368,786	604,530	322,894	135,063	215,621
% CHANGE YTD	4	7	-2	-1	7	3

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 41.55 Previous Week: 41.94 Last Year: 41.45

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 37.99 Previous Week: 38.35 Last Year: 37.77

National Liquid Eggs - 03-Jan-03 - 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	23-25	24.31	.05
Whites	10	12-17.75	13.55	.45
Yolks	7	68-69	68.86	

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 67 to 77 cents fob; no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 03-Jan-03 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)	
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	38-44 M 40-43	38-42 M 40-42	46-54	45-48
Blends ³	Too Few To Report		69-85	-
Whites	21-32 M 22-24	22-32 M 22-24	28-42	28-31
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	79-84 M 82-84	80-84 M 82-83	87-94	87-90
Salted	75-80 M 76-80	76-81 M 76-78	83-89	83-86

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 - 03-Jan-03 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.55 - 1.85	1.60 - 1.70
Yolks	1.77 - 2.15	1.90 - 2.00
Albumen, Spray Dried	1.50 - 2.00	1.65 - 1.70
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.20 - 1.36	1.25 - 1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 21-Dec-02

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	This week	This week
1,782	341	2,123
Last week	Last week	Last week
1,829	168	1,997
Last year	Last year	Last year
1,942	407	2,349
To Date 2002	To Date 2002	To Date 2002
88,473	15,181	103,654
To Date 2001	To Date 2001	To Date 2001
90,978	20,783	111,761

Inspected Egg Products

Weekending 21-Dec-02 is not available due to holiday schedules in Canada

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Dec-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	258	0	32	290
Last year /1	245	0	0	245
To date 2002	19,948	21	832	20,801
To date 2001	12,880	78	426	13,384

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Dec-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	80	78	80	238
Last year /1	180	94	10	284
To date 2002	5,998	3,332	5,049	14,379
To date 2001	5,844	1,757	628	8,229

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 14-Dec-02

	Jumbo	EX-Large	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	17	2,505	6,088	1,438	11,160	0	21,208
Last year /1	0	3,045	5,070	197	13,770	720	22,802
To date 2002	1,622	53,259	145,512	49,185	368,005	14,737	632,320
To date 2001	87	71,523	140,003	44,094	446,890	71,084	773,681

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