



**USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News  
Weekly Egg Products Report  
February 14, 2003**

**The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information**

**COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT** - Combined regional for week ending 14-Feb-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
<b>This week</b>	63.50	57.00	64.50	64.00	62.31
<b>Last week</b>	72.00	66.00	73.50	73.00	71.19

**Selected Cities Large** - 14-Feb-03: New York 69-73 Chicago 59-65 California 94

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY** - 10-Feb-03 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
<b>Current week</b>	124.2	307.3	129.8	196.4	227.6	985.3	281.4	1266.7
<b>% change PW</b>	7	13	24	5	14	12	4	10

**Breaking Stock** 14-Feb-03 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
<b>Nest Run</b>	38-40	35-40 M 36-38
<b>Checks &amp; Undergrades</b>	26-31	22-32 M 23-27

**Eggs Processed** under federal inspection week ending 07-Feb-03.  
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,124,687	26,376	10,950	6,085	2,893	4,147
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,131,969	25,475	11,463	6,386	2,587	4,286
LAST YEAR	1,166,071	25,676	12,315	6,674	3,426	4,162
% CHANGE PW	-1	4	-4	-5	12	-3
% CHANGE LY	-4	3	-11	-9	-16	0
TO-DATE 2003	6,760,008	157,257	64,911	36,143	17,269	25,222
TO-DATE 2002	6,661,535	146,877	69,576	37,034	18,432	24,640
% CHANGE YTD	1	7	-7	-2	-6	2

**AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)**

Current Week: 42.29 Previous Week: 42.06 Last Year: 41.87

**AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)**

Current Week: 38.60 Previous Week: 38.27 Last Year: 38.30

**National Liquid Eggs** - 14-Feb-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	6	29.5-31	30.25	.56
WHITES	29	18-23	20.29	2.83
YOLKS	16	57.5-63	59.75	-.30

Pasteurized salt yolk ranged 62 to 65.5 cents fob with pasteurized whites reported as too few to report.

**Frozen Egg Prices - 14-Feb-03** wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)	
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California <sup>2</sup>
Whole	39-49 M 43-46	43-49 M 44-46	51-55	49-52
Blends <sup>3</sup>	Too Few To Report		68-80	-
Whites	26-34 M 29-32	29-34 M 30	33-42	33-36
Yolks <sup>4</sup>				
Sugared	72-82 M 73-76	73-77 M 73-76	80-87	80-83
Salted	69-77 M 70-72	70-73 M 70-72	76-90	76-79

<sup>2</sup> f.o.b. shipping point

<sup>3</sup> whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

<sup>4</sup> minimum 43% solids

**National Dried Egg Prices - 14-Feb-03** - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.62-1.93	1.70-1.80
YOLKS	1.69-2.10	1.80-1.85
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.80-2.20	2.05-2.15
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.25-1.50	1.35-1.40

**Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands)Weekending 08-Feb-03**

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	This week	This week
1,689	277	1,966
Last week	Last week	Last week
1,579	337	1,916
Last year	Last year	Last year
1,862	455	2,317
To Date 2003	To Date 2003	To Date 2003
9,770	1,974	11,744
To Date 2002	To Date 2002	To Date 2002
10,969	2,160	13,129

**Inspected Egg Products**

**U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 01-Feb-03**

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	206	0	0	206
Last year /1	442	0	50	492
To date 2003	1,253	0	44	1,297
To date 2002	1,391	0	50	1,441

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 01-Feb-03**

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	233	79	0	312
Last year /1	127	36	0	163
To date 2003	636	211	0	847
To date 2002	485	357	208	1,050

**Inspected Shell Eggs**

**U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 01-Feb-03**

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	150	200	360	0	0	710
Last year /1	0	9	676	20	0	66	771
To date 2003	0	150	1,105	380	1,470	0	3,105
To date 2002	0	489	9,586	2,409	0	906	13,390

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

DATE: FEB. 12, 2003

**PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: WHOLE EGGS; ENDS PURCHASES OF BULK TANKERS AND PURCHASES OF 5-POUND CARTONS NEARING END**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 784,000 pounds of whole eggs--to be produced from about 20,000 cases of shell eggs--at a cost of approximately \$341,000 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. 15	Accepted
5-pound cartons	400,000	\$0.4976-\$0.5576	2 of 3
bulk tankers	384,000	\$0.3498-\$0.3544	1 of 4

It was also announced that purchases of bulk tankers are complete and purchases of 5-pound cartons are nearing completion.

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	11,806,000	\$6,359,000
bulk tankers	5,760,000	\$2,195,000

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	
16	5-pound cartons	Feb. 24	Feb. 28	April 16-30

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

**5-pound Cartons**

American Egg Products, Inc.	40,020 @ \$0.4994
Crystal Lake Egg Products	360,180 @ \$0.4976-0.5576

**Bulk Tankers**

Golden Oval Eggs	384,000 @ \$0.3498-0.3544
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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>.

**SHELL EGGS BROKEN DOWN 1 PERCENT**

**February 13, 2003**

**Shell eggs broken** = 152 million dozen during December 2002, up 3% from December 2001.

December 2002 contained 22 weekdays and four Saturdays and one holiday, compared to 21 weekdays and five Saturdays and one holiday in December 2001.

**Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, United States, December 2001-02**

Month & Region	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
December 2002: United States	(1,000 Dozen) 152,126	(1,000 Pounds) 122,250	(1,000 Pounds) 45,464	(1,000 Pounds) 25,357	(1,000 Pounds) 193,071	(1,000 Pounds) 18,489
December 2001: United States	152,909	115,038	51,778	26,269	193,085	17,748

**Egg Products Inspected: Shell Eggs Broken and Products Produced, United States, January - December 2001-02**

Period	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
January 1, 2002-December 30, 2002	(1,000 Dozen) 1,883,204	(1,000 Pounds) 1,471,215	(1,000 Pounds) 588,079	(1,000 Pounds) 320,347	(1,000 Pounds) 2,379,668	(1,000 Pounds) 230,200
January 1, 2001 - December 30, 2001	1,835,298	1,392,298	605,635	321,389	2,319,322	224,299

Data presented in this report were compiled from inspection reports of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). The best available data at time of publication was used. For information on "Egg Products" call Tom Kruchten at 202-6904870, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., ET.

**U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF JANUARY 31, 2003**

**COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2003**

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	1,585,476	9	22
FREE FLOWING	4,665,859	30	74
BLEND	1,888,861	-2	25
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	10,458,097	-1	7
BLEND	203,000	-7	16
YOLK			
PLAIN	2,240,576	12	131
BLEND	97,550	27	46
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	5,200,530	24	139
TOTAL	26,339,949	9	41

**DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:**

DECEMBER 29, 2002 - FEBRUARY 1, 2003

TOTAL 14,376,000 POUNDS.

\*\*\*\*Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports. \*\*\*\*\*

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH  
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