



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report April 4, 2003

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending 04-Apr-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	73.00	67.00	69.50	75.50	71.48
Last week	73.00	67.00	69.50	75.50	71.48

Selected Cities Large - 04-Apr-03: New York 78-82 Chicago 69-75 California 104

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 31-Mar-03 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	180.3	364.6	181.0	268.3	281.7	1275.9	231.1	1507.0
% change PW	18	12	4	3	13	10	-4	8

On the March 24 National Shell Egg Inventory the shell egg breaking stock should have been 239.6 down 5 percent

Breaking Stock 04-Apr-03 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	43-45 M 44-45	35-41 M 36-39
Checks & Undergrades	29-34	22-34.25 M 23-27

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 29-Mar-03.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,089,488	27,577	9,448	5,344	1,868	4,080
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,103,928	27,636	9,365	5,209	1,917	3,966
LAST YEAR	1,095,804	26,637	10,571	5,342	1,996	3,911
% CHANGE PW	-1	0	1	3	-3	3
% CHANGE LY	-1	4	-11	0	-6	4
TO-DATE 2003	14,452,411	348,891	131,780	73,138	31,808	53,628
TO-DATE 2002	14,396,804	330,706	143,951	76,609	34,093	52,556
% CHANGE YTD	0	5	-8	-5	-7	2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.63 Previous Week: 41.83 Last Year: 42.40

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Current Week: 38.89 Previous Week: 38.24 Last Year: 38.83

National Liquid Eggs - 04-Apr-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	39-40	39.67	1.19
WHITES	24	24-28.50	25.52	.24
YOLKS	12	55-60	56.56	.14

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 52 to 62 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 04-Apr-03 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)		
	Eastern		Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	42-54 M	47-50	48-50	56-60	54-57
Blends ³	Too Few To Report			65-85	-
Whites	34-39 M	36-38	36-40 M 36-38	41-46	41-43
Yolks ⁴					
Sugared	68-75 M	70-73	70-74 M 71-73	77-87	77-80
Salted	62-70 M	66-69	66-69	73-90	73-76

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

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.68-1.95	1.72-1.85
YOLKS	1.60-2.05	1.65-1.75
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.60-3.00	2.70-2.85
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.27-1.45	1.35-1.40

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands)Weekending 29-Mar-03

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,980	This week	239	This week	2,219
Last week	1,597	Last week	139	Last week	1,736
Last year	1,978	Last year	154	Last year	2,132
To Date 2003	21,383	To Date 2003	3,891	To Date 2003	25,274
To Date 2002	23,320	To Date 2002	4,504	To Date 2002	27,824

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Mar-03

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	204	0	0	204
Last year /1	403	0	0	403
To date 2003	2,131	0	135	2,266
To date 2002	3,961	0	51	4,012

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Mar-03

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	72	44	40	156
Last year /1	114	137	139	390
To date 2003	1,381	967	127	2,475
To date 2002	1,677	992	870	3,539

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Mar-03

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	60	360	774	0	390	1,584
Last year /1	0	768	3,870	1,500	0	60	6,198
To date 2003	0	240	5,593	9,658	1,470	1,782	18,743
To date 2002	256	2,367	18,559	13,663	0	5,644	40,489

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