



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report April 18, 2003

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending 18-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	72.50	75.50	72.17
Last week	73.00	67.00	70.50	75.50	71.71

Selected Cities Large - 18-Apr-03: New York 76-80 Chicago 65-71 California 105

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 14-Apr-03 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	121.1	264.9	143.6	184.3	219.3	933.2	205.3	1138.5
% change PW	-23	-27	-30	-29	-23	-26	-4	-23

Breaking Stock 18-Apr-03 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	36-38	35-40 M 36-38
Checks & Undergrades	25-30	22-32.5 M 23-27

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 11-Apr-03.
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,088,515	26,476	9,801	5,575	1,698	4,070
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,104,923	27,129	10,036	5,181	1,721	4,133
LAST YEAR	1,234,974	28,555	12,001	7,092	3,025	4,293
% CHANGE PW	-1	-2	-2	8	-1	-2
% CHANGE LY	-12	-7	-18	-21	-44	-5
TO-DATE 2003	16,645,849	402,496	151,617	83,894	35,227	61,831
TO-DATE 2002	16,845,683	387,898	168,045	90,120	39,596	61,178
% CHANGE YTD	-1	4	-10	-7	-11	1

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.19 Previous Week: 42.07 Last Year: 42.06

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.45 Previous Week: 38.32 Last Year: 38.58

National Liquid Eggs - 18-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	8	37-41	38.50	-1.50
WHITES	23	26-28.5	26.93	1.03
YOLKS		TFEWR		

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 54 to 56 cents fob mostly 55 to 55.5, with pasteurized whites too few to report.

Frozen Egg Prices - 18-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	47-54 M 47-50	47-50 M 48-49	55-59	53-56
Blends ³	Too Few To Report		67-85	-
Whites	35-39 M 37-39	37-40	42-47	42-45
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	68-78 M 69-71	69-72	75-87	75-78
Salted	64-70 M 64-68	64-68 M 66-68	71-90	71-74

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

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.64-1.95	1.71-1.82
YOLKS	1.59-2.05	1.65-1.70
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.70-3.00	2.75-2.85
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.29-1.45	1.34-1.40

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands)Weekending 12-Apr-03

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	This week	This week
1,955	281	2,236
Last week	Last week	Last week
1,801	331	2,132
Last year	Last year	Last year
1,927	253	2,180
To Date 2003	To Date 2003	To Date 2003
25,139	4,503	29,642
To Date 2002	To Date 2002	To Date 2002
27,229	5,004	32,233

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 05-Apr-03

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	196	0	0	196
Last year /1	501	0	7	508
To date 2003	2,529	0	135	2,664
To date 2002	4,814	0	58	4,872

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 05-Apr-03

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	74	89	40	203
Last year /1	75	11	79	165
To date 2003	1,579	1,169	207	2,955
To date 2002	1,866	1,093	1,096	4,055

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 05-Apr-03

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	780	90	2,970	0	570	4,410
Last year /1	50	60	1,860	180	11,460	30	13,640
To date 2003	76	1,770	5,743	15,222	1,470	2,982	27,263
To date 2002	306	2,427	22,119	15,193	16,410	5,674	62,129

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