



**USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News
Weekly Egg Products Report
February 4, 2005**

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **04-Feb-05** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	68.00	67.50	61.50	72.50	67.61
Last week	66.00	64.50	59.50	68.50	64.80

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 04-Feb-05:

New York 73-77	Chicago & Midwest 66-74	California 104
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WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 31-Jan-05 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	99.2	314.0	130.0	196.5	211.4	951.1	234.9	1186.0
% change PW	-1	-2	23	-1	32	8	-12	3

Breaking Stock **04-Feb-05** - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	32-33	24-32 M 28-30
Checks & Undergrades	18-22 M 19-21	15-22 M 16-20

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **29-Jan-05**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,239,584	29,192	12,629	6,605	2,910	4,315
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,194,985	27,844	12,197	6,549	3,204	4,388
LAST YEAR	1,118,124	25,723	11,045	6,112	2,584	3,906
% CHANGE PWK	4	5	4	1	-9	-2
% CHANGE LY	11	13	14	8	13	10
TO-DATE 2005	4,972,263	117,659	49,613	26,463	13,069	17,701
TO-DATE 2004	4,533,778	106,452	44,022	24,383	10,752	16,377
% CHANGE YTD	10	11	13	9	22	8

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.55 **Previous Week:** 42.66 **Last Year:** 41.84

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.07 **Previous Week:** 38.99 **Last Year:** 38.35

National Liquid Eggs - 04-Feb-05 - 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	17	26.5-33	29.96	4.84
WHITES	6	24	24.00	-1.09
YOLKS	8	44-45.5	44.75	-1.44

Pasteurized salt yolk and whites were too few to report.

Frozen Egg Prices - 04-Feb-05 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	33-40	M	36-38	37-39	M	37	43-47	43-46
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT				58-75	-
Whites	36-42	M	39-41	39-42	M	40	44-49	44-47
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	53-60	M	54-57	54-59	M	58-59	61-65	61-64
Salted	51-55	M	52-55	52-56	M	53-54	58-63	59-62

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-Feb-05 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.34-1.68	1.40-1.55
YOLKS	1.31-1.45	1.35-1.40
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.30-2.80	2.43-2.55
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.34-1.70	1.35-1.50

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 29-Jan-2005

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	This week	This week
1,307	315	1,622
Last week	Last week	Last week
1,451	359	1,810
Last year	Last year	Last year
1,274	221	1,495
To Date 2005	To Date 2004	To Date 2004
5,854	1,403	7,257
To Date 2004	To Date 2003	To Date 2003
5,487	1,219	6,706

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Jan-05

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	105	0	0	105
Last year /1	194	0	9	203
To date 2004/2	669	0	6	675
To date 2003	342	0	9	351

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Jan-05

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	245	52	40	337
Last year /1	182	40	116	338
To date 2004/2	579	59	120	758
To date 2003	359	88	195	642

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 22-Jan-05

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	0	0	600	0	0	600
Last year /1	0	750	0	0	0	0	750
To date 2004/2	0	0	550	1,965	0	0	2,515
To date 2003	50	750	2,093	30	0	0	2,923

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

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

USDA ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX PURCHASE PROGRAM RE-OPENED:

DATE: Feb. 3, 2005

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today announced that the purchase program under PY-277 for all purpose egg mix for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs has re-opened.

Offers will be invited from the trade for all purpose egg mix packaged in plastic laminated foil pouches, 6 ounces (170 g) to each pouch and 18 pounds (8.16 kg) net in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 2,000 shipping containers (forty-eight 6-ounce (170-g) pouches each) totaling 36,000 pounds (16,329 kg) net weight.

Invitation No. 11, inviting offers due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Feb. 14, is being issued this week. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 18, for product to be delivered from April 1 to June 30.

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.

Offerors are urged to carefully read all applicable terms and conditions of USDA-1, as amended, Announcement PY-277, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for All Purpose Egg Mix dated July 2003.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, Washington, DC 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>.