



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report March 24, 2006

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **24-Mar-06** 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	75.00	75.50	68.50	77.50	74.25
Last week	72.00	72.50	65.50	74.50	71.25

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 24-Mar-06:

New York 80-84 **Midwest** 71-79 **California** 112

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 20-Mar-06 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	142.0	379.1	175.4	255.8	277.5	1229.8	234.9	1464.7
% change PW	28	9	10	24	4	13	10	12

Breaking Stock 24-Mar-06 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	34-36	26-31 M 27-30
Checks & Undergrades	20-24 M 20-22	14-21 M 15-18

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **18-Mar-06**. Lbs. in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,202,933	30,660	10,727	5,818	2,325	4,029
Previous Week	1,237,397	31,140	10,861	5,643	2,400	4,113
Last Year	1,293,097	31,080	12,494	6,679	2,237	4,507
% Change PWK	-3%	-2%	-1%	3%	-3%	-2%
% Change LY	-7%	-1%	-14%	-13%	4%	-11%
To-Date 2006	13,936,026	342,321	130,588	71,562	32,767	47,547
To-Date 2005	13,681,465	328,697	132,465	70,653	30,350	48,169
% Change YTD	2%	4%	-1%	1%	8%	-1%

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.59 **Previous Week:** 41.83 **Last Year:** 42.35

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.24 **Previous Week:** 38.50 **Last Year:** 38.86

In-Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	585,507	48.7%	16,632	54.2%
PREVIOUS WEEK	569,857	46.1%	15,989	51.3%
LAST YEAR	512,482	39.6%	13,867	44.6%

National Liquid Eggs - 24-Mar-06 - 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	28	25-28	26.70	1.26
WHITES	18	28-33	31.24	2.19
YOLKS	12	34-35	34.42	-.14

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 33 to 35 cents fob with pasteurized whites reported at 37 cents fob.

Frozen Egg Prices - 24-Mar-06 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²		
Whole	36-45 M 36-43	41-44 M 41-43	46-52	47-51		
Blends ³	TOO FEW TO REPORT		53-74	-		
Whites	36-45 M 37-41	39-45 M 39-41	44-56	45-48		
Yolks ⁴						
Sugared	51-57 M 52-56	52-57 M 53-55	60-69	60-63		
Salted	49-55 M 50-53	49-53 M 51-53	56-67	57-60		

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 - 24-Mar-06 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.32-1.58	1.39-1.45
YOLKS	1.25-1.53	1.30-1.40
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.60-2.95	2.70-2.90
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.25-1.40	1.25-1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 18-Mar-2006

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,001	This week	249	This week	1,250
Last week	977	Last week	171	Last week	1,148
Last year	1,385	Last year	218	Last year	1,603
To Date 2006	13,515	To Date 2006	2,869	To Date 2006	16,384
To Date 2005	15,920	To Date 2005	3,350	To Date 2005	19,270

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 11-Mar-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	155	0	0	155
Last year /1	310	0	0	310
To date 2006/2	1,931	40	120	2,091
To date 2005	2,539	0	61	2,600

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 11-Mar-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	81	7	0	88
Last year /1	202	44	0	246
To date 2006/2	541	189	41	771
To date 2005	2,106	255	300	2,661

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 11-Mar-06

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,530	1,520	2,370	0	0	5,420
Last year /1	33	2,990	6,680	1,590	240	0	11,533
To date 2006/2	150	10,410	13,105	12,905	3,950	810	41,330
To date 2005	33	48,200	110,784	11,025	2,492	3,013	175,547

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

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 28-Feb-06
Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	2,963	1,601	16,387	3,233	24,184
Previous Month	2,839	1,524	14,452	3,734	22,549
Last year	2,903	719	11,552	2,691	17,865
% of Previous Month	104	105	113	87	107
% of Last Year	102	223	142	120	135