



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Down 13 Percent from Last Year

October 2019 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

October 2020 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 193 million dozen during October 2020, down 13 percent from October a year ago, but 5 percent above the 184 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2020 through October, shell eggs broken totaled 1.86 billion dozen, down 10 percent from the comparable period in 2019. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2020 was 2.40 billion pounds, down 10 percent from 2019.

Data presented in this report were compiled from Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) inspection reports. The best available data at the time of publication were used.

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken – United States: October 2020 with Comparisons

Inspected item	October 2019	September 2020	October 2020	October 2020 as percent of	
				October 2019	September 2020
Shell eggs broken	(1,000 dozen) 222,239	(1,000 dozen) 184,302	(1,000 dozen) 193,007	(percent) 87	(percent) 105
Edible product from shell eggs broken	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Whole	175,012	145,192	160,783	92	111
White	73,190	61,038	59,617	81	98
Yolk	35,081	31,239	30,522	87	98
Total	283,283	237,469	250,922	89	106
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	23,292	18,640	19,369	83	104

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-October 2019 and 2020

Inspected item	Cumulative		2020 as percent of 2019
	January-October 2019	January-October 2020	
Shell eggs broken	(1,000 dozen) 2,081,980	(1,000 dozen) 1,863,832	(percent) 90
Edible product from shell eggs broken	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Whole	1,625,800	1,438,472	88
White	695,055	639,657	92
Yolk	349,362	323,837	93
Total	2,670,217	2,401,966	90
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	219,887	195,982	89

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Data for the *Egg Products* report are obtained from Egg Products Volume Reports (FSIS Form 5200-11) completed by inspectors of FSIS, USDA. FSIS is responsible for administering a mandatory inspection program for egg products under the authority of the Egg Products Inspection Act of 1970. The act and its associated regulations require that all commercial egg breaking and processing plants operate under continuous USDA supervision. Reports are currently received from approximately 60 plants in the United States. Plant management provides monthly volume data to the resident USDA inspector at the applicable plant.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late reports received by FSIS from plants. Revisions for the previous month and year-to-date totals are published in each monthly release. Additional revisions are published annually in the February report.

Procedures and Reliability: FSIS reviews plant data for accuracy and completeness and provides NASS a data file. NASS reviews the data for unusual values. The egg products estimates are based on a census of all commercial egg breaking and processing plants; therefore, there are no statistical estimation and sampling errors.

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