



# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Down 11 Percent from Last Year

**August 2019** contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

**August 2020** contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 189 million dozen during August 2020, down 11 percent from August a year ago, and 1 percent below the 190 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2020 through August, shell eggs broken totaled 1.49 billion dozen, down 10 percent from the comparable period in 2019. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2020 was 1.91 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: August 2020 with Comparisons

Inspected item	August 2019	July 2020	August 2020	August 2020 as percent of	
				August 2019	July 2020
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	211,862	189,684	188,566	89	99
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>					
Whole .....	166,508	143,027	146,532	88	102
White .....	70,438	65,814	64,939	92	99
Yolk .....	35,147	33,149	32,077	91	97
Total .....	272,093	241,990	243,548	90	101
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	22,895	18,259	18,601	81	102

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

Inspected item	Cumulative		2020 as percent of 2019
	January-August 2019	January-August 2020	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	1,654,722	1,485,471	90
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>			
Whole .....	1,295,091	1,130,652	87
White .....	551,945	519,063	94
Yolk .....	279,880	262,168	94
Total .....	2,126,916	1,911,883	90
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	175,660	158,002	90

## 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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