

Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 6 Percent from Last Year

May 2017 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays. May 2018 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 208 million dozen during May 2018, up 6 percent from May a year ago, and 8 percent above the 192 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2018 through May, shell eggs broken totaled 958 million dozen, down slightly from the comparable period in 2017. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2018 was 1.24 billion pounds, down slightly from 2017.

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: May 2018 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2017	April 2018	May 2018	Percent of	
				May 2017	April 2018
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	196,406	192,075	207,573	106	108
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	156,273	156,954	167,844	107	107
White	65,857	61,582	67,588	103	110
Yolk	32,628	30,705	33,105	101	108
Total	254,758	249,241	268,537	105	108
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	19,633	20,674	22,212	113	107

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-May 2017 and 2018

Inapported item	Cumu	2018 as percent		
Inspected item	January-May 2017	January-May 2018	of 2017	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	
Shell eggs broken	960,177	957,757	100	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	
Edible product from shell eggs broken				
Whole	758,504	776,175	102	
White	327,420	310,016	95	
Yolk	162,294	155,987	96	
Total	1,248,218	1,242,178	100	
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	98,698	104,313	106	

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.

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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