



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 6 Percent from Last Year

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Shell eggs broken totaled 221 million dozen during May 2019, up 6 percent from May a year ago, and 7 percent above the 206 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2019 through May, shell eggs broken totaled 1.03 billion dozen, up 8 percent from the comparable period in 2018. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2019 was 1.33 billion pounds, up 7 percent from 2018.

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 2019 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2018	April 2019	May 2019	Percent of	
				May 2018	April 2019
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	207,660	206,100	221,057	106	107
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	167,886	158,519	169,373	101	107
White	67,606	70,404	78,056	115	111
Yolk	33,160	36,573	38,537	116	105
Total	268,652	265,496	285,966	106	108
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	22,143	21,874	23,393	106	107

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-May 2018 and 2019

Inspected item	Cumulative		2019 as percent of 2018
	January-May 2018	January-May 2019	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	957,844	1,033,898	108
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	776,217	812,026	105
White	310,034	345,405	111
Yolk	156,042	174,988	112
Total	1,242,293	1,332,419	107
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	104,244	110,226	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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