



# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Up 5 Percent from Last Year

**April 2017** contained 20 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

**April 2018** contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 192 million dozen during April 2018, up 5 percent from April a year ago, and 3 percent above the 187 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2018 through April, shell eggs broken totaled 750 million dozen, down 2 percent from the comparable period in 2017. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2018 was 974 million pounds, down 2 percent 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: April 2018 with Comparisons

Inspected item	April 2017	March 2018	April 2018	Percent of	
				April 2017	March 2018
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	183,792	186,544	192,330	105	103
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>					
Whole .....	149,224	153,358	157,707	106	103
White .....	59,921	59,214	61,266	102	103
Yolk .....	29,795	30,281	30,683	103	101
Total .....	238,940	242,853	249,656	104	103
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	18,462	20,412	20,723	112	102

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

Inspected item	Cumulative		2018 as percent of 2017
	January-April 2017	January-April 2018	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	763,771	750,439	98
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>			
Whole .....	602,231	609,084	101
White .....	261,563	242,112	93
Yolk .....	129,666	122,860	95
Total .....	993,460	974,056	98
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	79,065	82,150	104

## 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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