



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 1 Percent from Last Year

December 2018 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

December 2019 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 207 million dozen during December 2019, up 1 percent from December a year ago, and 7 percent above the 193 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2019 through December, shell eggs broken totaled 2.48 billion dozen, up 3 percent from the comparable period in 2018. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2019 was 3.19 billion pounds, up 3 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: December 2019 with Comparisons

Inspected item	December 2018	November 2019	December 2019	Percent of	
				December 2018	November 2019
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	205,614	193,139	207,073	101	107
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	164,691	161,523	165,493	100	102
White	66,065	57,890	70,272	106	121
Yolk	32,883	29,383	34,606	105	118
Total	263,639	248,796	270,371	103	109
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	22,735	19,993	22,049	97	110

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

Inspected item	Cumulative		2019 as percent of 2018
	January-December 2018	January-December 2019	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	2,399,482	2,482,192	103
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	1,911,644	1,952,816	102
White	787,683	823,217	105
Yolk	390,578	413,351	106
Total	3,089,905	3,189,384	103
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	260,925	261,929	100

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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