



# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Down 30 Percent from Last Year

**May 2019** contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

**May 2020** contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 154 million dozen during May 2020, down 30 percent from May a year ago, and 3 percent below the 159 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2020 through May, shell eggs broken totaled 931 million dozen, down 10 percent from the comparable period in 2019. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2020 was 1.20 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: May 2020 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2019	April 2020	May 2020	May 2020 as percent of	
				May 2019	April 2020
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	220,062	158,636	153,743	70	97
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>					
Whole .....	168,975	102,683	111,102	66	108
White .....	77,947	65,889	55,028	71	84
Yolk .....	38,416	33,025	28,874	75	87
Total .....	285,338	201,597	195,004	68	97
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	23,330	17,665	17,765	76	101

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

Inspected item	Cumulative		2020 as percent of 2019
	January-May 2019	January-May 2020	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	1,032,903	931,339	90
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>			
Whole .....	811,628	704,250	87
White .....	345,296	328,022	95
Yolk .....	174,867	166,822	95
Total .....	1,331,791	1,199,094	90
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	110,163	102,216	93

## 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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