



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Down 10 Percent from Last Year

September 2019 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

September 2020 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 184 million dozen during September 2020, down 10 percent from September a year ago, and 3 percent below the 190 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2020 through September, shell eggs broken totaled 1.67 billion dozen, down 10 percent from the comparable period in 2019. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2020 was 2.15 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: September 2020 with Comparisons

Inspected item	September 2019	August 2020	September 2020	September 2020 as percent of	
				September 2019	August 2020
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	205,019	189,618	184,302	90	97
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	155,697	148,377	145,192	93	98
White	69,920	64,878	61,038	87	94
Yolk	34,401	31,985	31,239	91	98
Total	260,018	245,240	237,469	91	97
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	20,935	18,572	18,640	89	100

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

Inspected item	Cumulative		2020 as percent of 2019
	January-September 2019	January-September 2020	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	1,859,741	1,670,825	90
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	1,450,788	1,277,689	88
White	621,865	580,040	93
Yolk	314,281	293,315	93
Total	2,386,934	2,151,044	90
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	196,595	176,613	90

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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