



The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is 11.00 , up 6.4 points from last week.

This Week:

Demand for shell eggs rises as the market moves into the end of the month, a typically good period for consumer demand. Wholesale prices of cartoned eggs are moving higher on light to moderate offerings and mixed supplies. Trading is moderate. Prices for loose eggs are higher on light to moderate offerings and supplies. Trading is slow to moderate. Prices for breaking stock are firm with offerings and supplies in a light to moderate balance. Demand is moderate to good with full-time schedules. Trading is active. The survey of retail outlets indicates increasing activity for conventional caged shell eggs in grocery circulars with a slight increase in the average ad price.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

Table with 3 rows: U.S. table egg layer flock (324,463,027), Percentage flock in molt (1.0%), Productive table egg layer flock (321,218,397).

Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table with 3 rows: Table egg layer rate (82.5%), Total egg production (265,005,178), Total eggs into breaking stock (74,201,450), Table eggs for in-shell use (190,803,728), Table eggs for in-shell use (in cases) (530,010).

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

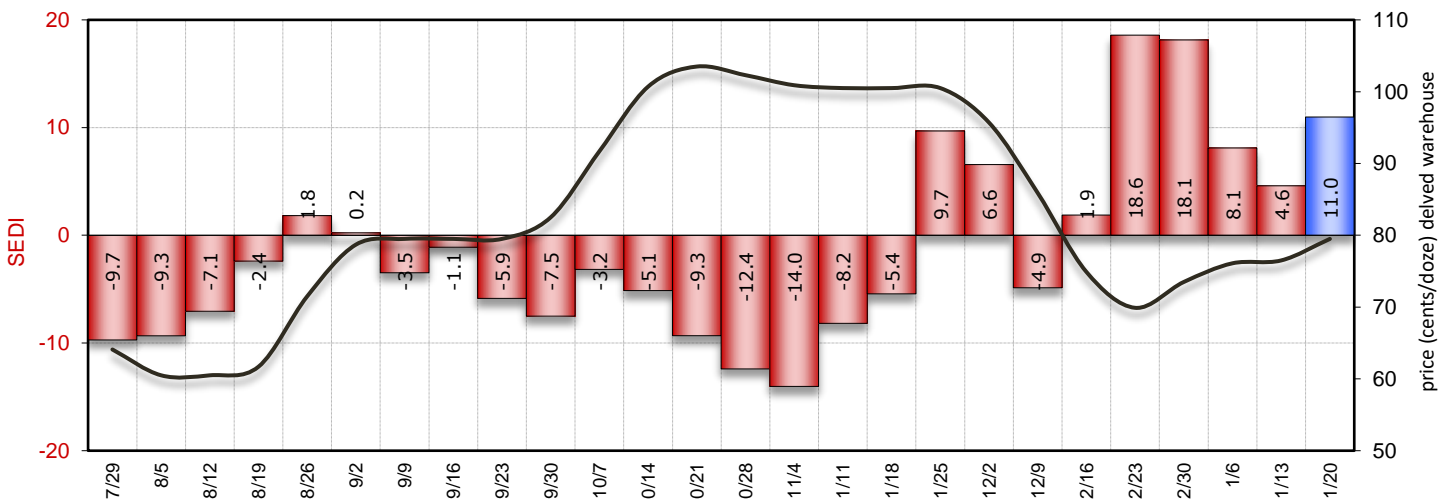
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

Table with 3 rows: USDA shell egg inventory (1,382,700), Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock (61.0%), Shell egg cases produced each day (323,306), 26-week rolling average of days on hand (4.75), Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing (4.28).

Shell Egg Demand Indicator

11.00 ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) * 100

Shell Egg Demand Indicator vs. USDA Midwest Large Cartoned Shell Egg



Sources: USDA NASS Monthly Chicken and Eggs (pec-bb); Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type; USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; SHELL EGGS: Weekly Shell Egg Inventory (Mon); USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News; PROCESSED EGGS: Weekly Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection (Wed)