



USDA AMS Weekly Shell Egg Demand Indicator

(Calculated estimate of demand for shell eggs based on current production and on inventory clearance rate.)

July 16, 2025

The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is **-6.40**, down **3.2** points from last week.

This Week:

Demand for shell eggs declined over the past week as active retail promotions expired. Wholesale prices for negotiated trading of loose caged eggs are higher on moderate to good demand for mostly light offerings. Supplies are light to moderate and trading is moderate to active. Wholesale prices for formula trading of carton stock are higher on moderate to good demand for mostly light offerings. Wholesale breaking stock prices are moving higher on a full range of demand for light offerings. Supply levels vary with full-time schedules and moderate trading. The preliminary survey of retail outlets indicates a sharp rise in shell egg features to the most active pace of the year to date. The average ad price declines sharply to the lowest level since the first week of the year and a level sure to drive consumer interest.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

U.S. table egg layer flock	285,790,746	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Percentage flock in molt	2.40%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Productive table egg layer flock	278,943,070	(total flock - (total flock * molt))

Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table egg layer rate	82.4%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Total egg production	229,891,937	(total productive flock * lay rate)
Total eggs into breaking stock	83,233,286	(36.21% of daily shell egg production to breakers)
Table eggs for in-shell use	146,658,652	(egg production * (100% - % to breaking stock))
Table eggs for in-shell use (in cases)	407,385	(eggs for table use ÷ 360 eggs per case)

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

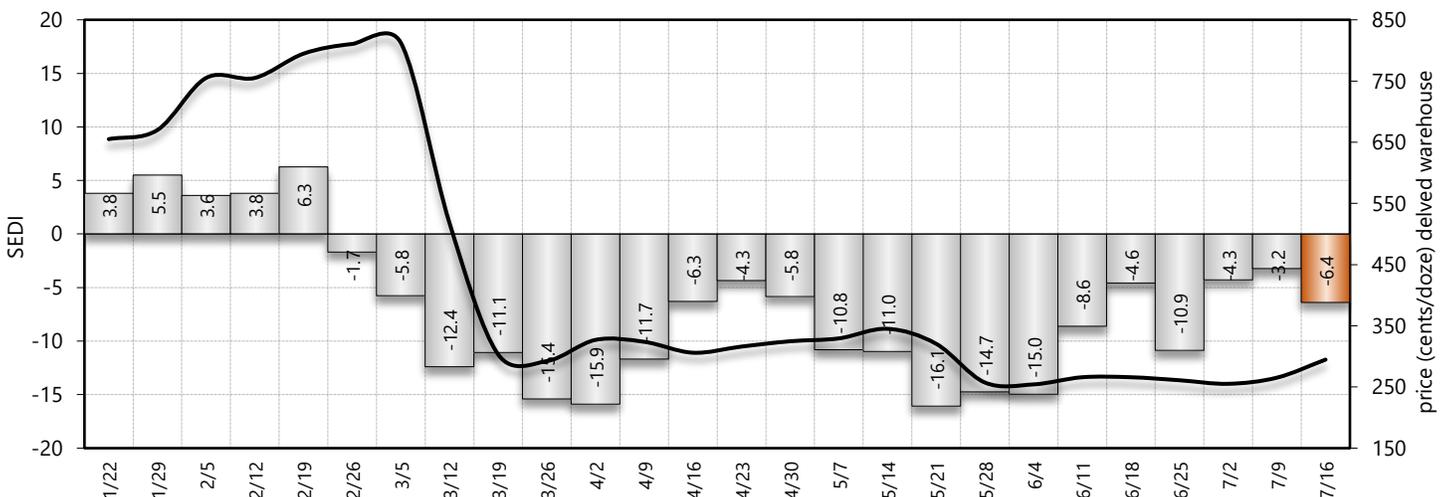
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

USDA shell egg inventory	1,225,000	30-dozen cases (from <i>USDA Weekly Shell Egg Inventory</i> report)
Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock	62.0%	(shell egg inventory cooperators control 62% of productive flock)
Shell egg cases produced each day	252,579	(produced by inventory cooperators' flocks (daily production * 62%)) (631,447 cases expected weekend (2.5 days) carryover)
26-week rolling average of days on hand	4.54	(average of the last 26 week's days of eggs on hand)
Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing	4.85	(inventory ÷ cases produced per day)

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-6.40 ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) * 100

Shell Egg Demand vs. National Large, Loose Shell Egg, Wed 5-day Wkly Avg (f.o.b. dock)



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 \(Mon\)](#)

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