



The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is 6.30 , down 11.2 points from last week.

This Week:

Demand for shell eggs recedes from recent holiday levels but retailers are already staging a new round of features to provide holiday-weary consumers with healthy diet choices before resolutions are washed down by football championship game snacking. Wholesale prices have spent the week seeking a floor in the market amidst rising supplies and offerings. Trading is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are trying to hold at newly-established lower levels on moderate to heavy offerings and supplies. Trading is moderate to active to feed full to extended schedules. The preliminary sample of retail shell egg featuring indicates rising activity at sharply lower average ad prices with product moving into retail channels in support.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source/Note. Includes U.S. table egg layer flock (332,075,780), Percentage flock in molt (1.2%), and Productive table egg layer flock (328,090,871).

Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source/Note. Includes Table egg layer rate (79.9%), Total egg production (262,144,606), Total eggs into breaking stock (76,021,936), Table eggs for in-shell use (186,122,670), and Table eggs for in-shell use in cases (517,007).

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

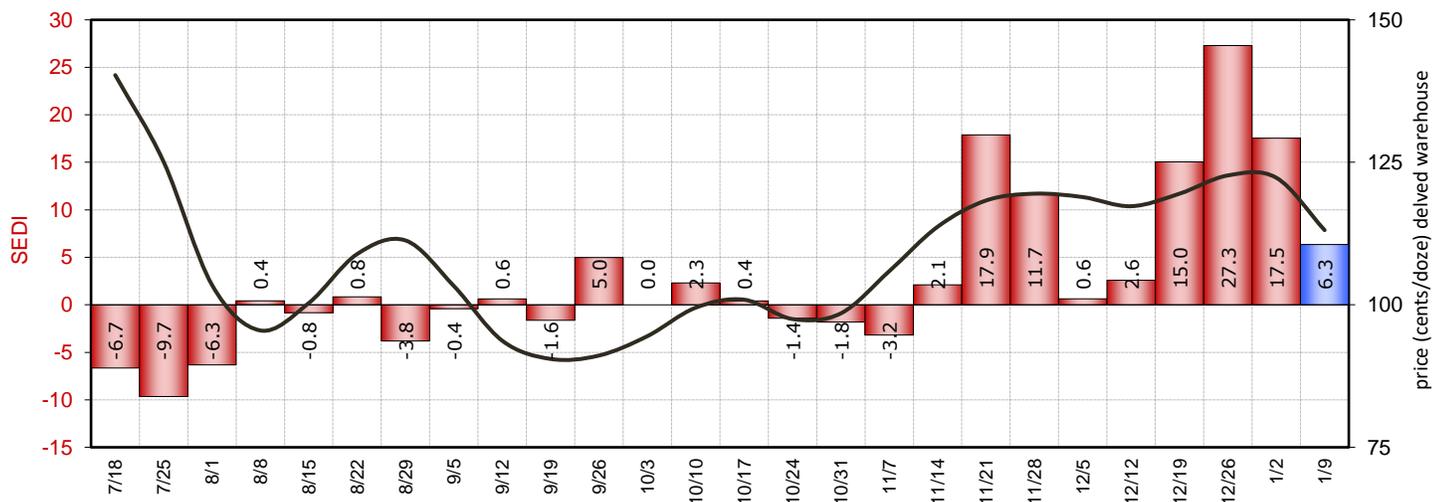
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source/Note. Includes USDA shell egg inventory (1,390,400), Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock (61.0%), Shell egg cases produced each day (315,375), 26-week rolling average of days on hand (4.69), and Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing (4.41).

Shell Egg Demand Indicator

6.30 ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) * 100

Shell Egg Demand Indicator vs. USDA Midwest Large 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)

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