



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 11 Percent from Last Year

September 2017 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

September 2018 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 204 million dozen during September 2018, up 11 percent from September a year ago, but 4 percent below the 213 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2018 through September, shell eggs broken totaled 1.78 billion dozen, up 3 percent from the comparable period in 2017. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2018 was 2.30 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2017.

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 2018 with Comparisons

Inspected item	September 2017	August 2018	September 2018	Percent of	
				September 2017	August 2018
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	183,780	213,290	203,868	111	96
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	149,497	164,266	164,453	110	100
White	59,519	72,886	63,895	107	88
Yolk	29,597	36,095	31,975	108	89
Total	238,613	273,247	260,323	109	95
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	19,392	22,752	22,145	114	97

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-September 2017 and 2018

Inspected item	Cumulative		2018 as percent of 2017
	January-September 2017	January-September 2018	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	1,731,457	1,784,814	103
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	1,369,231	1,421,195	104
White	586,538	589,099	100
Yolk	290,348	291,433	100
Total	2,246,117	2,301,727	102
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	177,965	192,907	108

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.

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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