



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Down 2 Percent from Last Year

May 2023 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

May 2024 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 203 million dozen during May 2024, down 2 percent from May a year ago, but 3 percent above the 197 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2024 through May, shell eggs broken totaled 959 million dozen, up 1 percent from the comparable period in 2023. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2024 was 1.23 billion pounds, down slightly from 2023.

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: May 2024 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2023	April 2024	May 2024	May 2024 as percent of	
				May 2023	April 2024
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	207,771	196,719	202,795	98	103
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	171,809	160,805	166,370	97	103
White	66,033	61,236	62,356	94	102
Yolk	33,904	30,976	31,185	92	101
Total	271,746	253,017	259,911	96	103
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	20,698	19,796	20,748	100	105

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-May 2023 and 2024

Inspected item	Cumulative		2024 as percent of 2023
	January-May 2023	January-May 2024	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	949,105	958,984	101
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	794,195	784,214	99
White	289,399	296,874	103
Yolk	146,359	148,838	102
Total	1,229,953	1,229,926	100
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	96,785	98,794	102

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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