



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 3 Percent from Last Year

April 2015 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

April 2016 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 188 million dozen during April 2016, up 3 percent from April a year ago, but 1 percent below the 189 million broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2016, shell eggs broken totaled 711 million dozen, down 3 percent from 2015. Cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2016 was 913 million pounds, down 4 percent from 2015.

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: April 2016 with Comparisons

Inspected item	April 2015	March 2016	April 2016	Percent of	
				April 2015	March 2016
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	181,823	189,233	187,654	103	99
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	145,668	157,596	152,522	105	97
White	61,916	57,810	58,601	95	101
Yolk	30,419	29,143	29,107	96	100
Total	238,003	244,549	240,230	101	98
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	18,819	20,890	20,080	107	96

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-April 2015 and 2016

Inspected item	Cumulative		2016 as percent of 2015
	January-April 2015	January-April 2016	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	734,121	710,581	97
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	573,964	582,711	102
White	254,184	219,457	86
Yolk	125,731	110,764	88
Total	953,879	912,932	96
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	76,954	78,189	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.

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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