



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Down 15 Percent from Last Year

September 2014 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

September 2015 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 167 million dozen during September 2015, down 15 percent from September a year ago, and slightly below the 168 million broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2015 through September, shell eggs broken totaled 1,597 million dozen, down 5 percent from the comparable period in 2014. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2015 was 2,064 million pounds, down 6 percent from 2014.

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 2015 with Comparisons

Inspected item	September 2014	August 2015	September 2015	Percent of	
				September 2014	August 2015
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	196,978	167,661	167,493	85	100
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	149,368	139,650	141,107	94	101
White	72,410	50,995	50,945	70	100
Yolk	35,144	25,754	26,099	74	101
Total	256,922	216,399	218,151	85	101
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	20,607	17,063	17,201	83	101

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-September 2014 and 2015

Inspected item	Cumulative		2015 as percent of 2014
	January-September 2014	January-September 2015	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	1,689,214	1,596,749	95
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	1,252,749	1,290,881	103
White	624,292	517,474	83
Yolk	309,273	255,589	83
Total	2,186,314	2,063,944	94
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	172,277	162,947	95

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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