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Shell Eggs Broken Up 7 Percent from Last Year

December 2024 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

December 2025 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 195 million dozen during December 2025, up 7 percent from December a year ago, but 2 percent below the 198 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2025 through December, shell eggs broken totaled 2.38 billion dozen, up 3 percent from the comparable period in 2024. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2025 was 3.10 billion pounds, up 3 percent from 2024.

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: December 2025 with Comparisons

Inspected item	December 2024	November 2025	December 2025	December 2025 as percent of	
				December 2024	November 2025
Shell eggs broken	(1,000 dozen) 182,307	(1,000 dozen) 198,400	(1,000 dozen) 194,929	(percent) 107	(percent) 98
Edible product from shell eggs broken	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Whole	157,425	163,729	161,268	102	98
White	53,652	62,081	60,638	113	98
Yolk	27,087	31,048	30,411	112	98
Total	238,164	256,858	252,317	106	98
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	18,786	20,685	20,009	107	97

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-December 2024 and 2025

Inspected item	Cumulative		2025 as percent of 2024
	January-December 2024	January-December 2025	
Shell eggs broken	(1,000 dozen) 2,316,502	(1,000 dozen) 2,380,920	(percent) 103
Edible product from shell eggs broken	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Whole	1,913,796	1,978,370	103
White	730,725	742,068	102
Yolk	369,354	375,729	102
Total	3,013,875	3,096,167	103
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	242,400	245,992	101

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Data for the *Egg Products* report are obtained from the Public Health Information System (PHIS – a web-based system), specifically, from the Monthly Volume Reporting task questionnaire which is 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 USDA supervision. Reports are currently received from approximately 80 plants in the United States. Plant management provides monthly volume data to the resident USDA inspector at the applicable plant who then manually enters in PHIS.

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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