



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 3 Percent from Last Year

March 2025 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

March 2026 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 202 million dozen during March 2026, up 3 percent from March a year ago, but 2 percent below the 205 million dozen broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2026 through March, shell eggs broken totaled 610 million dozen, up 7 percent from the comparable period in 2025. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2026 was 786 million pounds, up 6 percent from 2025.

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: March 2026 with Comparisons

Inspected item	March 2025	February 2026	March 2026	March 2026 as percent of	
				March 2025	February 2026
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	195,793	205,112	201,720	103	98
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	162,218	168,910	165,274	102	98
White	60,802	63,787	62,947	104	99
Yolk	30,566	32,089	31,552	103	98
Total	253,586	264,786	259,773	102	98
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	20,223	21,085	20,954	104	99

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-March 2025 and 2026

Inspected item	Cumulative		2026 as percent of 2025
	January-March 2025	January-March 2026	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	572,753	610,299	107
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	472,733	501,725	106
White	176,071	189,747	108
Yolk	89,300	94,544	106
Total	738,104	786,016	106
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	61,417	62,612	102

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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