



# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Down 3 Percent from Last Year

Shell eggs broken totaled 179 million dozen during June 2012, down 3 percent from June a year ago, and 2 percent below the 182 million broken last month.

During calendar year 2012 through June, shell eggs broken totaled 1,037 million dozen, up 1 percent from the comparable period in 2011. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2012 was 1,348 million pounds, up slightly from 2011.

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.

June 2011 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2012 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

### Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken – United States: June 2012 with Comparisons

Inspected item	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012	Percent of	
				June 2011	May 2012
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	184,997	181,720	178,651	97	98
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>					
Whole .....	139,763	136,307	138,501	99	102
White .....	66,015	64,592	62,542	95	97
Yolk .....	33,024	34,133	31,707	96	93
Total .....	238,802	235,032	232,750	97	99
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	19,821	20,065	20,098	101	100

### Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-June 2011 and 2012

Inspected item	Cumulative		2012 as percent of 2011
	January-June 2011	January-June 2012	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	1,029,236	1,036,515	101
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>			
Whole .....	810,778	803,365	99
White .....	351,132	360,398	103
Yolk .....	179,930	184,640	103
Total .....	1,341,840	1,348,403	100
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	114,698	118,316	103

## 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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