



# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Up 3 Percent from Last Year

Shell eggs broken totaled 182 million dozen during August 2011, up 3 percent from August a year ago, and 1 percent above the 180 million broken last month.

During calendar year 2011 through August, shell eggs broken totaled 1,391 million dozen, up 2 percent from the comparable period in 2010. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2011 was 1,800 million pounds, up 2 percent from 2010.

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.

August 2010 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

August 2011 contained 23 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

## Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken – United States: August 2011 with Comparisons

Inspected item	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	Percent of	
				August 2010	July 2011
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	176,530	179,653	181,710	103	101
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>					
Whole .....	145,806	135,872	146,177	100	108
White .....	53,195	60,100	57,065	107	95
Yolk .....	25,857	30,206	28,868	112	96
Total .....	224,858	226,178	232,110	103	103
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	19,497	19,568	19,881	102	102

## Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-August 2010 and 2011

Inspected item	Cumulative		2011 as percent of 2010
	January-August 2010	January-August 2011	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
<b>Shell eggs broken</b> .....	1,358,803	1,390,599	102
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Edible product from shell eggs broken</b>			
Whole .....	1,114,263	1,092,827	98
White .....	436,808	468,297	107
Yolk .....	214,977	239,004	111
Total .....	1,766,048	1,800,128	102
<b>Inedible product from shell eggs broken</b> .....	153,229	154,147	101

## 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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