

# Egg Products

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## Shell Eggs Broken Down 5 Percent from Last Year

Shell eggs broken totaled 151 million dozen during November 2009, down 5 percent from November a year ago, and 12 percent below the 172 million broken last month.

November 2009 contained 21 weekdays (including two holidays) and 4 Saturdays. November 2008 contained 20 weekdays (including two holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

During calendar year 2009 through November, shell eggs broken totaled 1,825 million dozen, down 3 percent from the comparable period in 2008. To date, cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2009 was 2,380 million pounds, down 3 percent from 2008.

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.

### Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, United States, November 2009

Inspected Item	Nov 2008	Oct 2009 <sup>1</sup>	Nov 2009	Percent of	
				Nov 2008	Oct 2009
Shell Eggs Broken	1,000 Dozen 159,602	1,000 Dozen 172,326	1,000 Dozen 150,946	Percent 95	Percent 88
Edible Product from Shell Eggs Broken	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Percent	Percent
Whole	136,991	146,243	130,659	95	89
White	44,289	52,433	43,031	97	82
Yolk	26,964	27,097	22,649	84	84
Total	208,244	225,773	196,339	94	87
Inedible Product from Shell Eggs Broken	18,209	19,242	16,806	92	87

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

**Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, Cumulative,  
United States, January-November, 2008-09**

Inspected Item	Period		2009 as % of 2008
	Jan-Nov, 2008	Jan-Nov, 2009	
	<i>1,000 Dozen</i>	<i>1,000 Dozen</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Shell Eggs Broken	1,885,068	1,825,035	97
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Edible Product from Shell Eggs Broken			
Whole	1,573,053	1,515,576	96
White	582,699	571,192	98
Yolk	309,450	293,471	95
Total	2,465,202	2,380,239	97
Inedible Product from Shell Eggs Broken	213,647	200,770	94

**Reliability of Egg Product Estimates**

**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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