



USDA AMS Weekly Shell Egg Demand Indicator

(Calculated estimate of demand for shell eggs based on current production and on inventory clearance rate.)

August 13, 2025

The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is -10.20, up 3.9 points from last week.

This Week:

Shell egg demand improved over the past week as product was staged to support an active national retail ad cycle into this week. Wholesale prices for negotiated trading of loose caged eggs are lower on a full range of demand for light to moderate offerings. Supplies are moderate and trading is moderate. Wholesale prices for formula trading of carton stock are lower but steadying on increased demand for light to moderate offerings. Wholesale breaking stock prices are lower with a full range of demand for light offerings and mixed supply. Schedules are full to extended and trading is moderate. The preliminary survey of retail outlets indicates a sharp rise in feature activity for conventional caged eggs this cycle with a decline in the average ad price as the new school year gets underway in many parts of the country.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

U.S. table egg layer flock	290,503,257	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Percentage flock in molt	2.10%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Productive table egg layer flock	284,394,752	(total flock - (total flock * molt))

Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table egg layer rate	82.1%	(derived from NASS Monthly Chicken & Eggs report)
Total egg production	233,534,871	(total productive flock * lay rate)
Total eggs into breaking stock	85,396,269	(36.57% of daily shell egg production to breakers)
Table eggs for in-shell use	148,138,602	(egg production * (100% - % to breaking stock))
Table eggs for in-shell use (in cases)	411,496	(eggs for table use ÷ 360 eggs per case)

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

USDA shell egg inventory	1,343,600	30-dozen cases (from <i>USDA Weekly Shell Egg Inventory</i> report)
Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock	62.0%	(shell egg inventory cooperators control 62% of productive flock)
Shell egg cases produced each day	255,128	(produced by inventory cooperators' flocks (daily production * 62%)) (637,819 cases expected weekend (2.5 days) carryover)
26-week rolling average of days on hand	4.73	(average of the last 26 week's days of eggs on hand)
Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing	5.27	(inventory ÷ cases produced per day)

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-10.20 ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) * 100

Shell Egg Demand vs. National Large, Loose Shell Egg, Wed 5-day Wkly Avg (f.o.b. dock)

