



The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is 15.90 , up 3.2 points from last week.

This Week:

Demand for shell eggs continued to rise over the past week on strong back-to-school business and active retail promotions. Wholesale prices for negotiated trading of loose eggs remain firm with a higher undertone. Loose egg demand is moderate to good for light to very light offerings and very light supplies. Trading is active. Wholesale prices for formula trading of carton stock are higher with moderate to good demand for light to very light offerings and light to moderate supplies. Trading is active. Wholesale breaking stock prices are firm with light to moderate demand for light to very light offerings. Supplies are light to instances moderate, trading is moderate, and breaking lines are full to reduced. The preliminary survey of retail outlets indicates retreat from last week's active pace for conventional shell eggs with no sale prices yet recorded.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source. Metrics include U.S. table egg layer flock (306,645,024), Percentage flock in molt (1.78%), and Productive table egg layer flock (301,184,112).

Current Table Egg Production for In-Shell Use -

(shell egg production less shell eggs for breaking stock)

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source. Metrics include Table egg layer rate (83.4%), Total egg production (251,067,262), Total eggs into breaking stock (71,101,029), Table eggs for in-shell use (179,966,234), and Table eggs for in-shell use in cases (499,906).

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

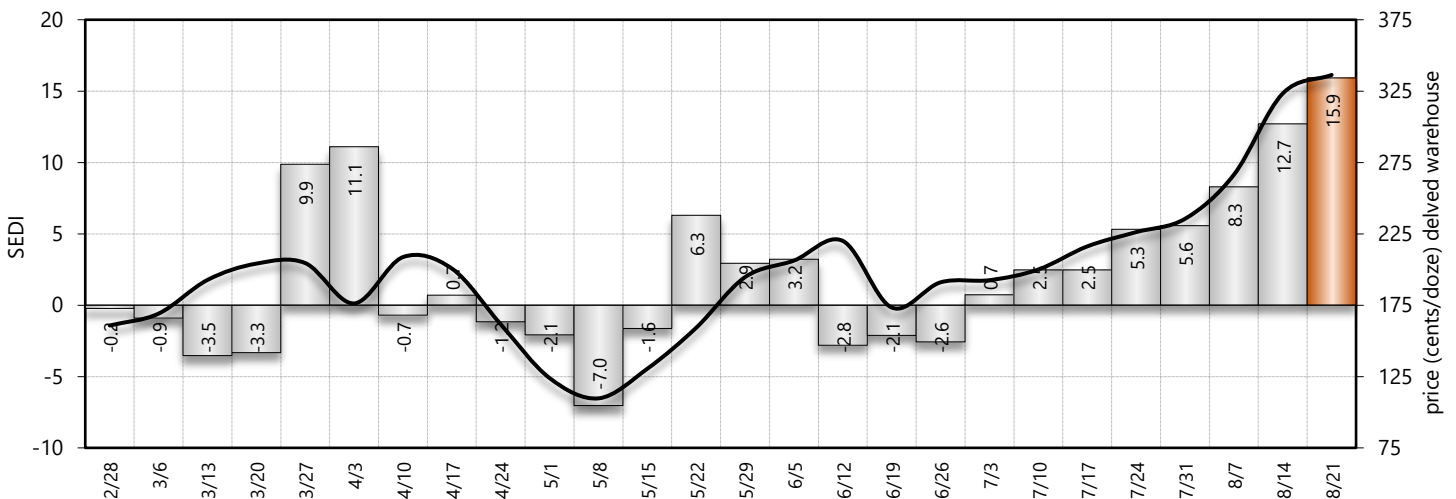
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source. Metrics include USDA shell egg inventory (1,108,600), Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock (62.0%), Shell egg cases produced each day (309,942), 26-week rolling average of days on hand (4.15), and Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing (3.58).

Shell Egg Demand Indicator

15.90 ((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)



Sources: USDA NASS Monthly Chicken and Eggs (pec-bb); Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type

USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry, and Grain Market News: SHELL EGGS: Weekly Shell Egg Inventory (Mon)

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