



The Shell Egg Demand Indicator for this week is 6.00 , up 0.3 points from last week.

This Week:

Shell egg demand remains unchanged but is supported by moderate retail activity for the current ad cycle. Wholesale Large shell egg prices remain steady for mostly moderate supplies; market activity is slow to moderate. Breaking stock prices are steady on moderate supplies and moderate to heavy offerings; market activity is slow to moderate with normal schedules. The preliminary sample of supermarket featuring into next week indicates an increase in activity with a sharp rise in the use of "no price" incentives. The average sale price per dozen is unchanged.

Current U.S. Productive Table Egg Layer Flock -

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source/Note. Includes U.S. table egg layer flock (282,466,086), Percentage flock in molt (2.7%), and Productive table egg layer flock (274,839,502).

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/Note. Includes Table egg layer rate (77.8%), Total egg production (213,825,132), Total eggs into breaking stock (65,216,665), Table eggs for in-shell use (148,608,467), and Table eggs for in-shell use in cases (412,801).

Current Days of Shell Eggs on Hand for Marketing -

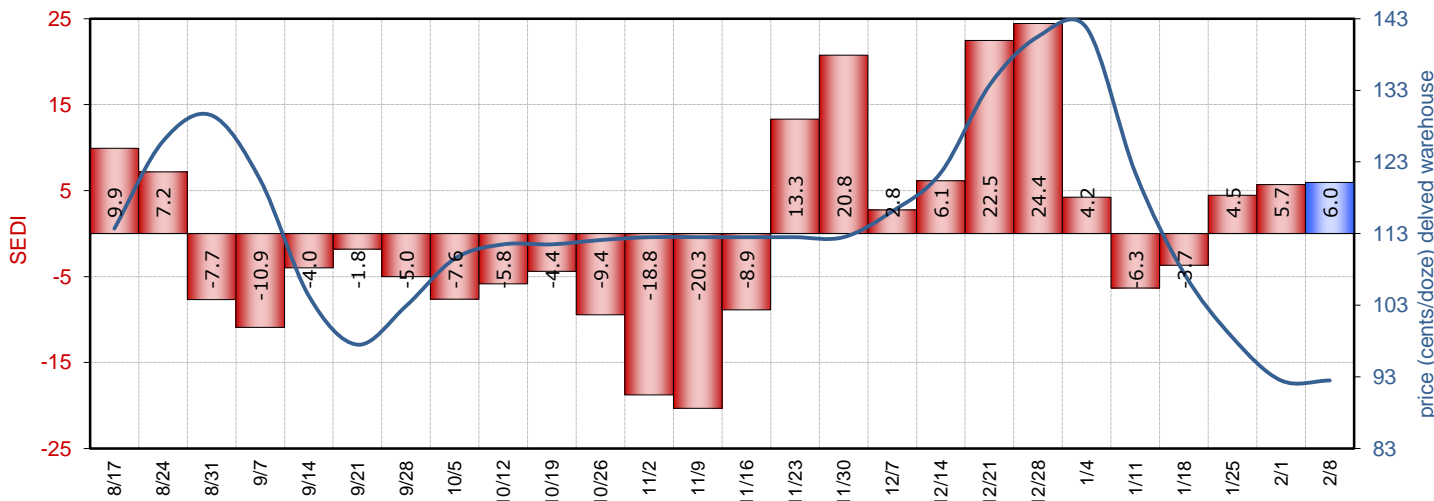
(shell egg inventory cases ÷ shell egg cases per day)

Table with 3 columns: Metric, Value, and Source/Note. Includes USDA shell egg inventory (1,022,800), Inventory cooperators % of U.S. flock (59.0%), Shell egg cases produced each day (243,553), 26-week rolling average of days on hand (4.45), and Days of shell eggs on hand for marketing (4.20).

Shell Egg Demand Indicator

6.00 ((26-week average ÷ current days on hand) - 1) * 100

Shell Egg Demand Indicator vs. USDA Midwest Large Shell Egg



Sources: USDA NASS Monthly Chicken and Eggs (pec-bb); Layers and Eggs: Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced by Type; USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; SHELL EGGS: Weekly Shell Egg Inventory (Mon); USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis; PROCESSED EGGS: Weekly Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection (Wed)

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