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POULTRY USED IN CANNING AND OTHER PROCESSED FOODS
 December 1955

Poultry used in canning and other processed foods in December 1955 totaled 16,449,000 pounds, ready-to-cook weights, compared with 15,537,000 pounds in December 1954. The quantity used in December 1955 consisted of 13,381,000 pounds of chickens and other poultry and 3,068,000 pounds of turkeys. No comparisons with last year are available for the various classes used. Poultry used in canning and other processed foods in 1955 totaled 181,721,000 pounds, compared with 179,107,000 pounds in 1954.

The quantity of poultry certified under Federal inspection during December 1955 totaled 124,782,000 pounds compared with 103,164,000 pounds in December 1954. Of this total 55,193,000 were chickens and other poultry and 69,589,000 pounds were turkey. During December a year earlier, the quantity of poultry certified consisted of 46,852,000 pounds of chickens and 56,312,000 pounds of turkeys. The quantity of poultry certified during 1955 totaled 1,035,324,000 pounds compared with 894,538,000 pounds in 1954.

POULTRY USED IN CANNING AND OTHER PROCESSED FOODS - 1954-55 ^{1/}
 (Ready to cook weights)

Month	Young	Mature	Turkeys	Other	Total Poultry	
	Chickens ^{2/} 1955	Chickens ^{2/} 1955	2/ 1955	Poultry ^{2/} 1955	1954	1955
THOUSAND POUNDS						
January					11,881	14,786
February					12,255	12,981
March					12,945	15,406
April					14,590	13,598
May					16,667	16,941
June					21,178	15,579
July	304	7,636	1,543	0	12,885	9,483
August	386	11,241	1,745	29	14,511	13,401
September	1,256	11,277	3,157	13	12,616	15,703
October	1,431	14,283	2,986	0	16,978	18,700
November	1,446	14,208	3,023	17	17,064	18,694
December	1,620	11,750	3,068	11	15,537	16,449
Total						
Jan.-Dec. Incl.					179,107	181,721

^{1/} Includes USDA inspected and other.
^{2/} Data not available for 1954.

Poultry Eviscerated Under the USDA Inspection Service
(Ready-to-cook weights)

Months	Total Chickens		Total Turkeys		Other Poultry		Total Poultry	
	1954 1/	1955 1/	1954	1955	1954 2/	1955	1954	1955
THOUSAND POUNDS								
January	38,819	34,575	5,752	10,484	-	-	44,571	45,059
February	36,544	29,727	1,461	2,599	-	-	38,005	32,326
March	38,234	26,696	1,796	4,187	-	-	40,030	30,883
April	38,797	36,204	4,032	5,485	-	-	42,829	41,689
May	42,089	44,871	12,317	12,050	-	-	54,406	56,921
June	46,327	53,585	11,222	12,751	-	-	57,549	66,336
July	45,338	55,790	13,921	13,855	-	3,480	59,259	73,125
August	50,419	68,460	28,640	33,430	-	3,630	79,059	105,520
September	52,489	66,802	50,000	56,454	-	2,529	102,489	125,785
October	54,396	78,113	77,732	87,184	-	932	132,128	166,229
November	49,006	63,731	92,043	101,316	-	1,622	141,049	166,669
December	46,852	54,475	56,312	69,509	-	718	103,164	124,782
Total								

Jan.-Dec. Incl. : 539,310 613,029 355,228 409,384 - 12,911 894,538 1,035,324

1/ Includes an undetermined quantity of other poultry, except turkeys until July 1955.

2/ Included with total chickens-separate data not available.

Poultry Eviscerated Under USDA Inspection Service, by classes--1955
(Ready-to-cook weights)

Months	Chickens		Turkeys		
	Young	Mature	Young	Old	Fryer-roaster
THOUSAND POUNDS					
January	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-	-
March	-	-	-	-	-
April	-	-	-	-	-
May	-	-	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	36,256	19,534	9,588	960	3,307
August	43,776	24,684	28,978	891	3,561
September	43,425	23,376	50,682	322	5,450
October	47,395	30,718	81,016	41	6,127
November	38,835	24,896	94,489	86	6,741
December	39,586	14,889	65,181	208	4,200