# Poultry Slaughter

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## Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 7 Percent

Poultry Certified Wholesome during August (ready-to-cook weight), totaled 2.38 billion pounds, up 7 percent from the 2.22 billion pounds certified in 1992. Updated totals for July 1993 show that 2.27 billion pounds were certified. The January through August cumulative total of pounds certified, at 18.2 billion pounds, was up 4 percent from the same period the previous year.

The preliminary total Live Weight of Poultry Inspected during August 1993 was 3.24 billion pounds. Inspections included 2.62 billion pounds of young chickens, 66.4 million pounds of mature chickens, 537 million pounds of turkeys, and 11.9 million pounds of ducks.

Young chickens slaughtered during August 1993 averaged 4.43 pounds per bird, compared with 4.44 pounds a year ago. The average live weight of mature chickens was down 2 percent from the previous year at 4.69 pounds per bird. Turkeys slaughtered during August 1993 averaged 21.5 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from August 1992.

Ante-mortem condemnations during August 1993 totaled 13.3 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.41 percent of the live weight inspected, compared with 0.34 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 48.9 million pounds (N.Y. dressed weight), were 1.68 percent of quantities inspected, compared with 1.66 percent a year earlier.

August 1993 contained 22 weekdays and four Saturdays, while August 1992 had 21 weekdays and five Saturdays. Each weekday represents approximately 5 percent of the month's total.

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Poultry Slaughter: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight
by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/

| | Chickens | | | Ducks | Other Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Young | Mature 2/ | Total | | |
| | 1,000 Head | | | | |
| Number Inspected | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 561,524 | 15,238 | 576,762 | 1,755 | ----- |
| Aug 1992 | 544,959 | 13,809 | 558,768 | 1,534 | ----- |
| Aug 1993 | 591,435 | 14,144 | 605,579 | 1,840 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 4,292,501 | 124,147 | 4,416,648 | 12,019 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 4,453,390 | 117,361 | 4,570,751 | 13,330 | ----- |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Live Weight | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 2,473,662 | 70,470 | 2,544,132 | 11,303 | 405 |
| Aug 1992 | 2,422,243 | 65,936 | 2,488,179 | 10,003 | 343 |
| Aug 1993 | 2,620,470 | 66,377 | 2,686,847 | 11,858 | 662 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 19,271,051 | 582,666 | 19,853,717 | 79,723 | 2,947 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 20,214,011 | 554,763 | 20,768,773 | 89,001 | 3,070 |
| | Pounds | | | | |
| Average Live Weight | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 4.41 | 4.62 | 4.41 | 6.44 | ----- |
| Aug 1992 | 4.44 | 4.77 | 4.45 | 6.52 | ----- |
| Aug 1993 | 4.43 | 4.69 | 4.44 | 6.45 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 4.49 | 4.69 | 4.50 | 6.63 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 4.54 | 4.73 | 4.54 | 6.68 | ----- |

See footnotes at end of table.

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Poultry Slaughter: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/ (continued)

| | Turkeys | | | | Total Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fryer-Roasters | Young 3/ | Old | Total Turkeys | |
| | 1,000 Head | | | | |
| Number Inspected | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 120 | 24,070 | 206 | 24,396 | ----- |
| Aug 1992 | 99 | 24,249 | 218 | 24,567 | ----- |
| Aug 1993 | 36 | 24,720 | 221 | 24,976 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 846 | 179,175 | 1,543 | 181,565 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 302 | 175,933 | 1,448 | 177,683 | ----- |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Live Weight | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 1,037 | 524,996 | 5,074 | 531,107 | 3,086,947 |
| Aug 1992 | 867 | 514,808 | 6,003 | 521,678 | 3,020,203 |
| Aug 1993 | 306 | 531,465 | 5,439 | 537,210 | 3,236,577 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 7,844 | 3,894,262 | 40,185 | 3,942,291 | 23,878,678 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 2,613 | 3,913,077 | 36,413 | 3,952,103 | 24,812,948 |
| | Pounds | | | | |
| Average Live Weight | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 8.62 | 21.81 | 24.67 | 21.77 | ----- |
| Aug 1992 | 8.78 | 21.23 | 27.48 | 21.24 | ----- |
| Aug 1993 | 8.58 | 21.50 | 24.62 | 21.51 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 9.27 | 21.73 | 26.04 | 21.71 | ----- |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 8.65 | 22.24 | 25.14 | 22.24 | ----- |

1/ Federally inspected only. Totals may not add due to rounding.
2/ Of the Mature Chickens inspected, the number reported in thousands as heavy fowl (broiler breeding stock) was: August 1992: 4,092, August 1993: 3,859.
3/ Of the Young Turkeys inspected, the number reported in thousands as young breeders was: August 1992: 198, August 1993: 189.

Poultry Slaughter: Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/

| | Chickens | | | Ducks | Other Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Young | Mature | Total | | |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 1,671,826 | 40,349 | 1,712,175 | 2,404 | 60 |
| Frozen | 129,937 | 2,720 | 132,657 | 5,775 | 191 |
| Total | 1,801,763 | 43,070 | 1,844,832 | 8,179 | 251 |
| Aug 1992 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 1,634,230 | 38,923 | 1,673,152 | 2,140 | 51 |
| Frozen | 129,046 | 2,063 | 131,109 | 4,871 | 162 |
| Total | 1,763,276 | 40,985 | 1,804,261 | 7,011 | 213 |
| Aug 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 1,772,032 | 39,037 | 1,811,069 | 2,682 | 56 |
| Frozen | 136,735 | 1,610 | 138,345 | 5,932 | 350 |
| Total | 1,908,767 | 40,647 | 1,949,414 | 8,614 | 406 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 13,009,205 | 339,996 | 13,349,202 | 18,282 | 346 |
| Frozen | 992,876 | 19,329 | 1,012,204 | 38,482 | 1,450 |
| Total | 14,002,081 | 359,325 | 14,361,406 | 56,763 | 1,796 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 13,604,134 | 324,977 | 13,929,111 | 19,322 | 333 |
| Frozen | 1,099,326 | 17,827 | 1,117,153 | 43,978 | 1,603 |
| Total | 14,703,460 | 342,804 | 15,046,264 | 63,299 | 1,936 |

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Poultry Slaughter: Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/ (continued)

| | Turkeys | | | | Total Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fryer-Roasters | Young | Old | Total Turkeys | |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | --- | 171,194 | 2,133 | 173,326 | 1,887,966 |
| Frozen | 777 | 243,559 | 1,618 | 245,953 | 384,576 |
| Total | 777 | 414,752 | 3,751 | 419,279 | 2,272,542 |
| Aug 1992 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 2 | 165,051 | 2,333 | 167,386 | 1,842,729 |
| Frozen | 642 | 241,574 | 2,272 | 244,488 | 380,630 |
| Total | 643 | 406,626 | 4,605 | 411,874 | 2,223,360 |
| Aug 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | --- | 179,236 | 2,306 | 181,541 | 1,995,348 |
| Frozen | 226 | 241,041 | 1,789 | 243,056 | 387,684 |
| Total | 226 | 420,277 | 4,094 | 424,598 | 2,383,032 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | | | | | |
| Chilled | 1,468 | 1,376,852 | 19,848 | 1,398,168 | 14,765,998 |
| Frozen | 4,639 | 1,701,012 | 10,105 | 1,715,756 | 2,767,891 |
| Total | 6,107 | 3,077,864 | 29,952 | 3,113,923 | 17,533,889 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | | | | | |
| Chilled | --- | 1,381,887 | 18,465 | 1,400,353 | 15,349,119 |
| Frozen | 1,948 | 1,709,562 | 8,997 | 1,720,507 | 2,883,240 |
| Total | 1,948 | 3,091,449 | 27,462 | 3,120,860 | 18,232,359 |

1/ Ready-to-cook weights. Totals may not add due to rounding.

Poultry Slaughter: Ante-Mortem and Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/

| | Chickens | | | Ducks | Other Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Young | Mature | Total | | |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Ante-Mortem (Live Weight) | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 11,454 | 1,581 | 13,035 | 32 | 2 |
| Aug 1992 | 7,533 | 963 | 8,496 | 13 | 1 |
| Aug 1993 | 10,446 | 1,180 | 11,627 | 10 | 4 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 61,074 | 8,732 | 69,806 | 69 | 10 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 68,454 | 8,455 | 76,909 | 91 | 13 |
| Percent 2/ | | | | | |
| Aug 1992 | 0.31 | 1.46 | 0.34 | 0.13 | 0.26 |
| Aug 1993 | 0.40 | 1.78 | 0.43 | 0.08 | 0.56 |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Post-Mortem (N.Y. Dressed Weight) | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 32,586 | 2,946 | 35,532 | 162 | 3 |
| Aug 1992 | 32,854 | 2,900 | 35,754 | 144 | 4 |
| Aug 1993 | 35,167 | 2,820 | 37,986 | 185 | 8 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 293,404 | 26,965 | 320,369 | 1,148 | 27 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 273,415 | 25,035 | 298,450 | 1,486 | 30 |
| Percent 3/ | | | | | |
| Aug 1992 | 1.51 | 4.89 | 1.60 | 1.60 | 1.25 |
| Aug 1993 | 1.49 | 4.72 | 1.57 | 1.73 | 1.26 |

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Poultry Slaughter: Ante-Mortem and Post-Mortem Condemnations
by Type, United States, August 1993 with Comparisons 1/ (continued)

| | Turkeys | | | | Total Poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fryer-Roasters | Young | Old | Total Turkeys | |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Ante-Mortem (Live Weight) | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 2 | 1,771 | 57 | 1,830 | 14,898 |
| Aug 1992 | 1 | 1,610 | 47 | 1,658 | 10,168 |
| Aug 1993 | 1 | 1,602 | 45 | 1,648 | 13,288 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 28 | 11,172 | 419 | 11,619 | 81,504 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 5 | 11,141 | 354 | 11,499 | 88,512 |
| Percent 2/ | | | | | |
| Aug 1992 | 0.16 | 0.31 | 0.78 | 0.32 | 0.34 |
| Aug 1993 | 0.27 | 0.30 | 0.83 | 0.31 | 0.41 |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | |
| Post-Mortem (N.Y. Dressed Weight) | | | | | |
| Jul 1993 | 11 | 9,490 | 296 | 9,797 | 45,494 |
| Aug 1992 | 12 | 8,983 | 251 | 9,246 | 45,148 |
| Aug 1993 | 4 | 10,424 | 333 | 10,761 | 48,940 |
| Jan-Aug 1992 | 91 | 66,573 | 2,480 | 69,144 | 390,689 |
| Jan-Aug 1993 | 31 | 72,481 | 2,346 | 74,858 | 374,823 |
| Percent 3/ | | | | | |
| Aug 1992 | 1.51 | 1.94 | 4.64 | 1.97 | 1.66 |
| Aug 1993 | 1.52 | 2.18 | 6.81 | 2.23 | 1.68 |

1/ Federally inspected only. Totals may not add due to rounding.
2/ *Pounds condemned as percent of pounds (live weight) inspected.* Percentages based on unrounded data.
3/ Pounds condemned as percent of pounds N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages based on unrounded data.

Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Number Inspected | | Live Weight Inspected | | Average Live Weight Inspected 1/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 | | 1,000 Pounds | | Pounds | |
| AL | 75,374 | 78,815 | 325,559 | 339,930 | 4.32 | 4.31 |
| AR | 90,756 | 95,191 | 386,681 | 402,408 | 4.26 | 4.23 |
| CA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| DE | 20,379 | 23,408 | 100,871 | 116,876 | 4.95 | 4.99 |
| FL | 11,296 | 12,164 | 47,236 | 50,273 | 4.18 | 4.13 |
| GA | 70,958 | 79,050 | 313,770 | 350,941 | 4.42 | 4.44 |
| LA | 11,830 | 13,407 | 49,780 | 55,718 | 4.21 | 4.16 |
| MD | 16,781 | 18,164 | 74,476 | 80,388 | 4.44 | 4.43 |
| MS | 39,664 | 45,210 | 175,221 | 197,264 | 4.42 | 4.36 |
| MO | 17,124 | 17,423 | 71,588 | 72,040 | 4.18 | 4.13 |
| NC | 47,652 | 53,251 | 237,161 | 264,514 | 4.98 | 4.97 |
| PA | 7,713 | 8,331 | 37,051 | 40,166 | 4.80 | 4.82 |
| SC | 13,258 | 17,469 | 50,816 | 68,389 | 3.83 | 3.91 |
| TN | 11,486 | 12,875 | 51,907 | 54,016 | 4.52 | 4.20 |
| TX | 31,727 | 32,260 | 138,884 | 137,129 | 4.38 | 4.25 |
| VA | 27,653 | 29,313 | 125,919 | 132,633 | 4.55 | 4.52 |
| WA | 2,907 | 3,117 | 13,363 | 15,290 | 4.60 | 4.91 |
| US | 544,959 | 591,435 | 2,422,243 | 2,620,470 | 4.44 | 4.43 |

1/ Average weight based on unrounded data.

Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Total Certified 1/ | | Post-Mortem Condemnations N.Y. Dressed Weight | | Post-Mortem Condemnations Percent 2/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | Percent | |
| AL | 238,461 | 248,475 | 4,718 | 5,465 | 1.61 | 1.79 |
| AR | 270,288 | 286,004 | 4,860 | 5,219 | 1.40 | 1.44 |
| CA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| DE | 74,065 | 85,377 | 1,280 | 1,293 | 1.41 | 1.23 |
| FL | 33,702 | 34,932 | 777 | 597 | 1.83 | 1.32 |
| GA | 232,249 | 258,931 | 3,625 | 4,456 | 1.28 | 1.41 |
| LA | 37,690 | 41,182 | 817 | 786 | 1.82 | 1.57 |
| MD | 52,344 | 55,870 | 771 | 1,027 | 1.15 | 1.42 |
| MS | 130,521 | 150,811 | 2,307 | 2,467 | 1.46 | 1.39 |
| MO | 52,199 | 51,392 | 1,076 | 882 | 1.67 | 1.36 |
| NC | 175,472 | 192,293 | 2,810 | 2,961 | 1.32 | 1.24 |
| PA | 26,588 | 28,407 | 514 | 716 | 1.54 | 1.98 |
| SC | 37,189 | 49,856 | 665 | 988 | 1.45 | 1.60 |
| TN | 38,046 | 38,497 | 497 | 565 | 1.06 | 1.16 |
| TX | 103,316 | 104,163 | 3,047 | 2,250 | 2.44 | 1.82 |
| VA | 91,490 | 96,061 | 1,090 | 1,068 | 0.96 | 0.89 |
| WA | 9,903 | 11,290 | 261 | 313 | 2.17 | 2.27 |
| US | 1,763,276 | 1,908,767 | 32,854 | 35,167 | 1.51 | 1.49 |

1/ Ready-to-cook weights.
2/ Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages based on unrounded data.

Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, Selected States and United States, August 1993

| State | Tuberculosis | Leukosis | Septicemia | Airsacculitis | Synovitis | Tumors |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| AL | --- | 2,007 | 216,510 | 129,794 | 4,541 | 25,457 |
| AR | --- | 6,007 | 348,651 | 129,217 | 17,491 | 10,732 |
| CA | --- | --- | 83,768 | 7,030 | 2,228 | 9,775 |
| DE | --- | 13,585 | 86,230 | 22,668 | --- | --- |
| FL | --- | 978 | 19,055 | 12,557 | --- | --- |
| GA | --- | 11,389 | 175,526 | 79,171 | 1,458 | 26,767 |
| LA | --- | --- | 51,712 | 10,576 | --- | 2,290 |
| MD | --- | 9,123 | 74,851 | 9,798 | --- | --- |
| MS | --- | 1,547 | 121,823 | 64,490 | 2,008 | 6,652 |
| MO | --- | --- | 53,323 | 21,383 | 3,201 | 2,915 |
| NC | --- | 6,646 | 106,372 | 38,428 | 21 | 27,471 |
| PA | --- | 661 | 32,879 | 5,579 | --- | --- |
| SC | --- | 907 | 26,801 | --- | 456 | 9,533 |
| TN | --- | 926 | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| TX | --- | 638 | 139,677 | 30,244 | --- | 3,315 |
| VA | --- | 6,241 | 57,451 | 11,123 | 96 | --- |
| WA | --- | --- | 17,506 | 861 | 84 | --- |
| US | --- | 88,492 | 1,807,221 | 680,883 | 45,270 | 174,683 |

| State | Bruises | Cadaver | Contamination | Overscald | Other | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| AL | 19,194 | 33,229 | 72,405 | 8,341 | 149,299 | 660,777 |
| AR | 21,902 | 50,084 | 73,924 | 7,232 | 132,079 | 797,319 |
| CA | 1,276 | 7,469 | 3,732 | --- | --- | 115,278 |
| DE | 4,870 | 9,138 | 12,692 | --- | --- | 149,183 |
| FL | 2,070 | 4,380 | 8,622 | 898 | --- | 48,560 |
| GA | 19,550 | 31,206 | 39,357 | 13,242 | 86,965 | 484,631 |
| LA | 3,040 | 3,821 | 7,965 | 692 | 24,174 | 104,270 |
| MD | 2,767 | 8,831 | 17,102 | --- | 14,825 | 137,297 |
| MS | 8,955 | 22,871 | 34,748 | 4,169 | 58,590 | 325,853 |
| MO | 2,355 | 2,331 | 13,263 | --- | 35,643 | 134,414 |
| NC | 5,260 | 26,099 | 30,109 | 9,343 | 88,789 | 338,538 |
| PA | 2,292 | 2,800 | --- | 438 | --- | 44,649 |
| SC | 4,189 | 19,255 | --- | 1,267 | 25,106 | 87,514 |
| TN | --- | 8,297 | --- | --- | 15,947 | 25,170 |
| TX | 2,525 | 10,852 | 12,515 | --- | 10,751 | 210,517 |
| VA | 4,222 | 9,022 | 21,049 | 5,666 | --- | 114,870 |
| WA | 189 | 619 | --- | --- | 13,099 | 32,358 |
| US | 119,098 | 262,056 | 427,994 | 66,591 | 885,209 | 4,557,497 |

Mature Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Number Inspected | | Live Weight Inspected | | Average Live Weight Inspected 1/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 | | 1,000 Pounds | | Pounds | |
| CA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| US | 13,809 | 14,144 | 65,936 | 66,377 | 4.77 | 4.69 |

1/ Average weight based on unrounded data.

Mature Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Total Certified 1/ | | Post-Mortem Condemnations: N.Y. Dressed Weight | | Post-Mortem Condemnations: Percent 2/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | Percent | |
| CA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| GA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| US | 40,985 | 40,647 | 2,900 | 2,820 | 4.89 | 4.72 |

1/ Ready-to-cook weights.
2/ Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages based on unrounded data.

Mature Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, Selected States and United States, August 1993

| State | Tuber-culosis | Leukosis | Septicemia | Airsac-culitis | Synovitis | Tumors |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| CA | --- | --- | --- | 112 | --- | --- |
| GA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 14,990 |
| US | --- | 3,147 | 195,492 | 7,335 | 1,305 | 106,911 |

| | Bruises | Cadaver | Contam-ination | Overscald | Other | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| CA | --- | --- | 308 | --- | --- | 420 |
| GA | --- | --- | 7,319 | --- | 294 | 22,603 |
| US | 15,971 | 35,290 | 137,855 | 4,495 | 38,145 | 545,946 |

Young Turkeys (Mature) Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Number Inspected | | Live Weight Inspected | | Average Live Weight Inspected 1/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 | | 1,000 Pounds | | Pounds | |
| AR | 2,008 | 2,118 | 39,417 | 41,130 | 19.63 | 19.42 |
| CA | 2,004 | 1,971 | 38,923 | 42,763 | 19.43 | 21.70 |
| IA | 1,283 | 1,333 | 33,001 | 33,552 | 25.73 | 25.17 |
| MN | 4,046 | 4,222 | 77,098 | 79,663 | 19.06 | 18.87 |
| MO | 1,736 | 1,650 | 35,129 | 34,267 | 20.24 | 20.77 |
| NC | 4,311 | 4,381 | 90,735 | 96,233 | 21.05 | 21.97 |
| PA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| VA | 2,804 | 3,050 | 51,403 | 55,410 | 18.33 | 18.17 |
| US | 24,249 | 24,720 | 514,808 | 531,465 | 21.23 | 21.50 |

1/ Average weight based on unrounded data.

Young Turkeys (Mature) Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, August 1992-93

| State | Total Certified 1/ | | Post-Mortem Condemnations: N.Y. Dressed Weight | | Post-Mortem Condemnations: Percent 2/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 | 1992 | 1993 |
| | 1,000 Pounds | | | | Percent | |
| AR | 32,103 | 32,963 | 862 | 1,009 | 2.43 | 2.73 |
| CA | 31,387 | 34,717 | 522 | 636 | 1.49 | 1.65 |
| IA | 25,739 | 26,134 | 602 | 598 | 2.03 | 1.98 |
| MN | 62,036 | 63,683 | 1,388 | 1,595 | 2.00 | 2.22 |
| MO | 27,546 | 27,028 | 867 | 1,054 | 2.74 | 3.42 |
| NC | 70,863 | 75,971 | 1,394 | 1,893 | 1.71 | 2.19 |
| PA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| VA | 39,994 | 43,441 | 857 | 751 | 1.85 | 1.51 |
| US | 406,626 | 420,277 | 8,983 | 10,424 | 1.94 | 2.18 |

1/ Ready-to-cook weights.
2/ Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages based on unrounded data.

Young Turkeys (Mature) Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, Selected States and United States, August 1993

| State | Tuberculosis | Leukosis | Septicemia | Airsacculitis | Synovitis | Tumors |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| AR | --- | --- | 10,103 | --- | --- | 7 |
| CA | --- | --- | 9,785 | 586 | --- | --- |
| IA | --- | --- | 4,808 | 2,264 | --- | 10 |
| MN | --- | --- | 21,610 | 4,937 | 1,869 | --- |
| MO | --- | --- | 18,599 | 6,688 | --- | --- |
| NC | --- | 22 | 7,466 | --- | --- | 5 |
| PA | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| VA | --- | 7 | 5,000 | 387 | --- | --- |
| US | --- | 281 | 109,526 | 36,810 | 9,733 | 166 |

| State | Bruises | Cadaver | Contamination | Overscald | Other | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| AR | --- | 1,320 | 1,347 | --- | --- | 12,777 |
| CA | --- | 347 | --- | --- | 452 | 11,170 |
| IA | 53 | --- | 268 | --- | --- | 7,403 |
| MN | --- | 2,309 | --- | 331 | --- | 31,056 |
| MO | 185 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 25,472 |
| NC | 409 | 1,488 | 2,298 | --- | --- | 11,688 |
| PA | --- | --- | 247 | --- | 189 | 436 |
| VA | --- | 562 | 122 | --- | 691 | 6,769 |
| US | 1,892 | 8,299 | 10,742 | 1,987 | 13,361 | 192,797 |

Old Turkeys (Breeders) Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, United States, August 1993

| State | Tuberculosis | Leukosis | Septicemia | Airsacculitis | Synovitis | Tumors |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| US | --- | --- | 4,030 | 2,212 | 11 | 85 |

| State | Bruises | Cadaver | Contamination | Overscald | Other | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | | | | |
| US | 39 | 303 | 258 | 4 | 1,281 | 8,223 |

## Poultry Slaughter Estimates

**Data Sources:** Primary data for commercial poultry slaughter estimates are obtained from the Poultry Inspection Form (FSIS 6000-21) completed by inspectors of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA. This form provides actual counts of birds slaughtered in Federally Inspected (FI) plants. Over 99 percent of the total U.S. slaughter for any species is under FI. The FSIS 6000-21 form collects number of head slaughtered daily under FI by species and class as well as condemnations and total live and dressed weights. Approximately 350 plants in the U.S. are operated under Federal Inspection. Annual totals of poultry slaughtered under State-administered Non-Federal Inspection (NFI) are published in the April release.

**Revision Policy:** Revisions are generally the result of late reports received by FSIS from plants and are usually less than one-half of 1 percent of the preliminary totals. Revisions for the previous month and year-to-date totals are published in each monthly release. Final data are published in the annual summary released in April and reflect any late reports or corrections which occurred after the monthly revision were published.

**Procedures and Reliability:** Plant inspectors submit forms (FSIS 6000-21) weekly summarizing the plant's activity. When inconsistencies in the data are detected, the reports are returned to the inspectors for correction. Inspectors correct or validate the report and resubmit it. The reports cover weekly activities through Saturday night and reported data are allocated to the appropriate month as it enters the database.

A NASS computer program provides a review of current data with historical data for each plant. An edit provides checks for the detection of errors such as invalid plant information, duplication, and erroneous data. The program also generates a missing reports listing for a telephone follow-up. Data are summarized weekly and accumulated to a monthly total for this release.

Major slaughter plants with missing reports are adjusted prior to publication to assure that all plants slaughtering a significant portion of a specific class are accounted for each week. Estimates for missing weeks are made only after verifying that the plant was in operation. Adjustments are based on either the previous week's information or a week determined to be similar to the one missing. Late reports replace imputed data as they become available. While there will continue to be a varying degree of incompleteness from month to month, it is expected to have only a minimal impact on the final totals.

Poultry slaughter estimates are based on a census of operating plants and, therefore, have no sampling error. However, they may be subject to errors such as omissions, duplications, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. These errors are minimized through strict quality controls in the edit and summarization process, and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

Generally, no State data are published if less than three plants operate for a species in a State, or if one plant has 60 percent or more of the total head for that species. These data are included in the U.S. totals.

**Definitions Used To Report Federally Inspected Slaughter:**

**Ante-Mortem Condemnations** - Birds condemned prior to their entry into the slaughter plant.

**Certified Ready-to-Cook** - The weight of poultry certified wholesome by inspection after post-mortem condemnation pounds are removed. Ready-to-cook represents poultry meat ready for the marketing channel.

**Ducks** - Includes all ducks regardless of age and weight.

**Fryer-Roaster Turkeys** - Young immature birds, usually under 16 weeks of age.

**Mature Chickens** - Fowl from breeder and market egg flocks and stags and cocks.

**New York Dressed Weight** - Carcass weight after only feathers and blood are removed. This weight is approximately 90% of live weight.

**Old Turkeys (Breeders)** - Fully matured birds held for egg production, usually over 15 months of age.

**Other Poultry** - Includes all other ready-to-cook products which bear the U.S.D.A. Inspected for Wholesomeness legend.

**Post-Mortem Condemnations** - Carcasses or parts condemned by the inspector because of disease or mishandling and removed from the slaughter line and destroyed.

**Young Chickens** - Commercially grown broilers-fryers and other young immature birds such as roasters and capons.

**Young Turkeys (Mature)** - Young birds grown to a matured market age, about 5 months.

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