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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 2 Percent From Last Year

Poultry certified wholesome during June 2006 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.67 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the amount certified in June 2005. Totals for May 2006 were unchanged with 3.76 billion pounds certified.

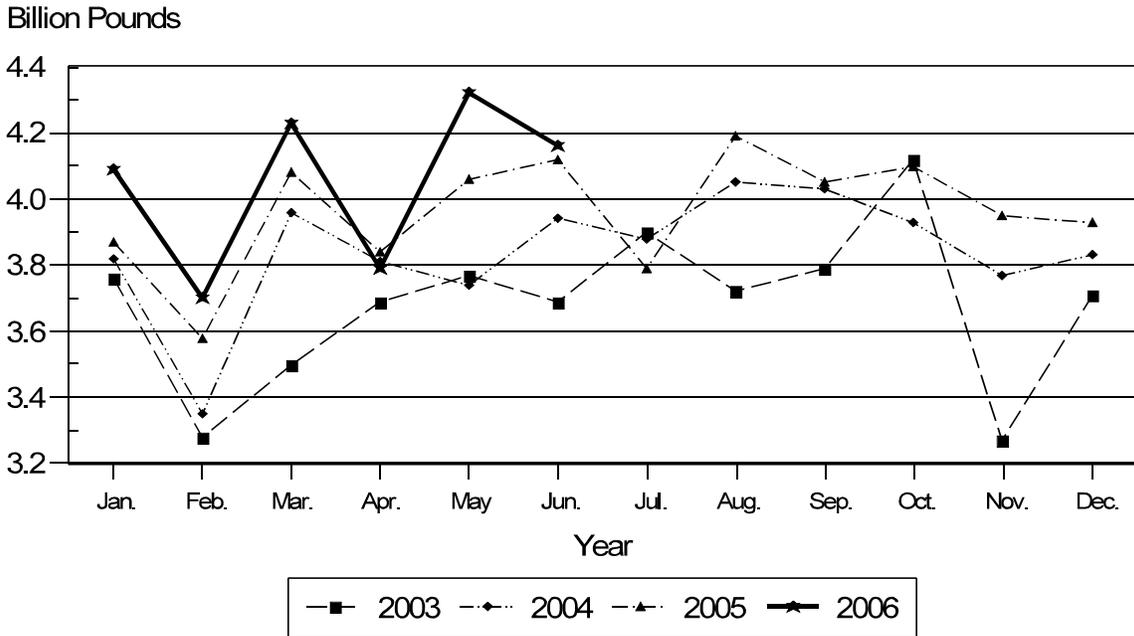
The preliminary total live weight of poultry inspected during June 2006 was 4.89 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 4.83 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.16 billion pounds, up 1 percent from June 2005. Mature chickens, at 73.5 million pounds, were down 6 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 642 million pounds, an increase of 4 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 16.0 million pounds, up 1 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2006 averaged 5.45 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from June 2005. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.30 pounds per bird, up 12 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2006 averaged 28.0 pounds per bird, 1 percent below June 2005.

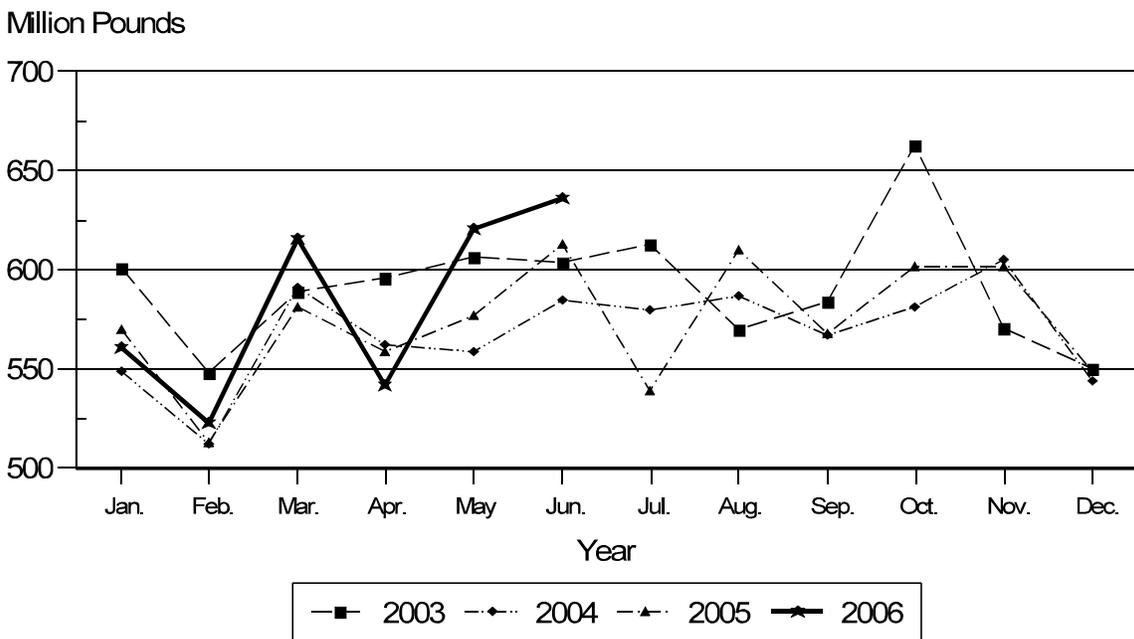
Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2006 totaled 17.2 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.35 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.41 a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 47.4 million pounds (N.Y. dressed weight), were 1.08 percent of quantities inspected, compared with 1.11 percent a year earlier.

June 2006 contained 22 weekdays and four Saturdays, the same as June 2005.

Young Chickens: Live Weight Slaughtered, by Month, 2003-2006



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**Poultry Slaughter: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight by Type,
United States, June 2006¹**

Commodity	Jun 2005	May 2006	Jun 2006	Percent of	
				Jun 2005	May 2006
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Number Slaughtered					
Chickens					
Young	772,283	786,854	763,581	99	97
Mature	13,939	11,834	11,665	84	99
Light	7,178	4,953	4,503	63	91
Heavy	6,761	6,881	7,162	106	104
Total	786,222	798,688	775,246	99	97
Turkeys					
Young	21,736	21,689	22,705	104	105
Old	204	129	238	117	184
Total	21,940	21,818	22,943	105	105
Ducks	2,397	2,523	2,395	100	95
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Live Weight					
Chickens					
Young	4,119,032	4,319,094	4,161,643	101	96
Mature	78,223	72,267	73,508	94	102
Light	23,559	16,369	15,058	64	92
Heavy	54,664	55,898	58,450	107	105
Total	4,197,255	4,391,361	4,235,151	101	96
Turkeys					
Young	613,062	621,081	636,001	104	102
Old	5,462	3,484	6,367	117	183
Total	618,524	624,565	642,368	104	103
Ducks	15,817	17,108	16,030	101	94
Other Poultry	417	381	361	87	95
Total Poultry	4,832,013	5,033,415	4,893,910	101	97
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Average Live Weight					
Chickens					
Young	5.33	5.49	5.45	102	99
Mature	5.61	6.11	6.30	112	103
Light	3.28	3.30	3.34	102	101
Heavy	8.09	8.12	8.16	101	100
Total	5.34	5.50	5.46	102	99
Turkeys					
Young	28.20	28.64	28.01	99	98
Old	26.65	27.01	26.75	100	99
Total	28.19	28.63	28.00	99	98
Ducks	6.60	6.78	6.69	101	99

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Poultry Slaughter: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight by Type,
United States, June 2006 ¹ (continued)**

Commodity	January to Date			Percent of	
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Number Slaughtered					
Chickens					
Young	4,323,504	4,406,173	4,445,210	103	101
Mature	69,337	75,875	68,382	99	90
Light	35,782	39,916	29,647	83	74
Heavy	33,555	35,959	38,735	115	108
Total	4,392,841	4,482,048	4,513,592	103	101
Turkeys					
Young	122,043	118,238	121,179	99	102
Old	1,165	1,118	1,132	97	101
Total	123,208	119,356	122,311	99	102
Ducks	12,762	13,625	14,222	111	104
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Live Weight					
Chickens					
Young	22,612,948	23,546,157	24,290,395	107	103
Mature	388,060	423,816	410,381	106	97
Light	119,986	132,107	98,771	82	75
Heavy	268,074	291,709	311,610	116	107
Total	23,001,008	23,969,973	24,700,776	107	103
Turkeys					
Young	3,357,805	3,413,514	3,498,414	104	102
Old	31,528	30,071	30,114	96	100
Total	3,389,333	3,443,585	3,528,528	104	102
Ducks	85,502	91,608	96,679	113	106
Other Poultry	1,981	2,185	1,896	96	87
Total Poultry	26,477,824	27,507,351	28,327,879	107	103
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Average Live Weight					
Chickens					
Young	5.23	5.34	5.46	104	102
Mature	5.60	5.59	6.00	107	107
Light	3.35	3.31	3.33	99	101
Heavy	7.99	8.11	8.04	101	99
Total	5.24	5.35	5.47	104	102
Turkeys					
Young	27.51	28.87	28.87	105	100
Old	27.06	26.90	26.60	98	99
Total	27.51	28.85	28.85	105	100
Ducks	6.70	6.72	6.80	101	101

¹ Federally inspected only.

**Poultry Slaughter: Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type,
United States, June 2006 ¹**

Commodity	Jun 2005	May 2006	Jun 2006	Percent of	
				Jun 2005	May 2006
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Chilled					
Chickens					
Young	2,758,452	2,916,351	2,802,235	102	96
Mature	47,591	44,981	45,875	96	102
Light	11,983	8,376	7,641	64	91
Heavy	35,608	36,605	38,234	107	104
Total	2,806,043	2,961,332	2,848,110	101	96
Turkeys					
Young	268,525	268,988	273,555	102	102
Old	3,425	2,439	3,913	114	160
Total	271,950	271,427	277,468	102	102
Ducks	5,860	6,208	5,810	99	94
Other Poultry	223	202	197	88	98
Total Poultry	3,084,076	3,239,169	3,131,585	102	97
Frozen					
Chickens					
Young	296,901	293,693	296,204	100	101
Mature	474	398	389	82	98
Heavy	474	398	389	82	98
Total	297,375	294,091	296,593	100	101
Turkeys					
Young	217,250	223,814	230,830	106	103
Old	792	152	1,018	129	670
Total	218,042	223,966	231,848	106	104
Ducks	5,511	6,082	5,737	104	94
Other Poultry	34	41	31	91	76
Total Poultry	520,962	524,180	534,209	103	102
Total Chilled and Frozen					
Chickens					
Young	3,055,353	3,210,044	3,098,439	101	97
Mature	48,065	45,379	46,264	96	102
Light	11,983	8,376	7,641	64	91
Heavy	36,082	37,003	38,623	107	104
Total	3,103,418	3,255,423	3,144,703	101	97
Turkeys					
Young	485,775	492,802	504,385	104	102
Old	4,217	2,591	4,931	117	190
Total	489,992	495,393	509,316	104	103
Ducks	11,371	12,290	11,547	102	94
Other Poultry	257	243	228	89	94
Total Poultry	3,605,038	3,763,349	3,665,794	102	97

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**Poultry Slaughter: Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type,
United States, June 2006¹ (continued)**

Commodity	January to Date			Percent of	
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Chilled					
Chickens					
Young	15,227,443	15,895,619	16,379,215	108	103
Mature	239,501	259,070	255,124	107	98
Light	60,405	68,150	50,511	84	74
Heavy	179,096	190,920	204,613	114	107
Total	15,466,944	16,154,689	16,634,339	108	103
Turkeys					
Young	1,423,040	1,525,519	1,539,482	108	101
Old	19,589	19,290	19,116	98	99
Total	1,442,629	1,544,809	1,558,598	108	101
Ducks	39,173	33,627	35,473	91	105
Other Poultry	1,080	1,183	1,027	95	87
Total Poultry	16,949,826	17,734,308	18,229,437	108	103
Frozen					
Chickens					
Young	1,459,123	1,626,798	1,685,683	116	104
Mature	2,267	2,509	2,220	98	88
Light	330	5	99	30	1,980
Heavy	1,937	2,504	2,121	109	85
Total	1,461,390	1,629,307	1,687,903	115	104
Turkeys					
Young	1,228,404	1,176,460	1,231,294	100	105
Old	3,620	3,375	3,736	103	111
Total	1,232,024	1,179,835	1,235,030	100	105
Ducks	25,845	32,066	33,807	131	105
Other Poultry	225	168	172	76	102
Total Poultry	2,719,484	2,841,376	2,956,912	109	104
Total Chilled and Frozen					
Chickens					
Young	16,686,566	17,522,417	18,064,898	108	103
Mature	241,768	261,579	257,344	106	98
Light	60,735	68,155	50,610	83	74
Heavy	181,033	193,424	206,734	114	107
Total	16,928,334	17,783,996	18,322,242	108	103
Turkeys					
Young	2,651,444	2,701,979	2,770,776	105	103
Old	23,209	22,665	22,852	98	101
Total	2,674,653	2,724,644	2,793,628	104	103
Ducks	65,018	65,693	69,280	107	105
Other Poultry	1,305	1,351	1,199	92	89
Total Poultry	19,669,310	20,575,684	21,186,349	108	103

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

**Poultry Slaughter: Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type,
United States, June 2006 ¹**

Commodity	Jun 2005	May 2006	Jun 2006	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2005
				Jun 2005	May 2006	2005	2006	
				<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			
Live Weight				<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>			<i>Percent</i>
Chickens								
Young	16,326	13,958	14,259	87	102	81,209	78,343	96
Mature	1,546	996	1,194	77	120	5,957	5,253	88
Light	562	283	394	70	139	2,229	1,624	73
Heavy	984	713	800	81	112	3,728	3,629	97
Total	17,872	14,954	15,453	86	103	87,166	83,596	96
Turkeys								
Young	1,722	1,662	1,672	97	101	9,719	10,187	105
Old	37	59	45	122	76	278	335	121
Total	1,759	1,721	1,717	98	100	9,997	10,522	105
Ducks	41	37	40	98	108	190	192	101
Other Poultry		1				1	1	100
Total Poultry	19,672	16,713	17,210	87	103	97,354	94,311	97
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Percent of Total Weight Condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.40	0.32	0.34	85	106	0.34	0.32	94
Mature	1.98	1.38	1.62	82	117	1.41	1.28	91
Light	2.38	1.73	2.62	110	151	1.69	1.64	97
Heavy	1.80	1.28	1.37	76	107	1.28	1.16	91
Total	0.43	0.34	0.36	84	106	0.36	0.34	94
Turkeys								
Young	0.28	0.27	0.26	93	96	0.28	0.29	104
Old	0.70	1.69	0.71	101	42	0.92	1.11	121
Total	0.28	0.28	0.27	96	96	0.29	0.30	103
Ducks	0.25	0.22	0.25	100	114	0.21	0.20	95
Other Poultry		0.26				0.05	0.05	100
Total Poultry	0.41	0.33	0.35	85	106	0.35	0.33	94

¹ Federally inspected only.

² Pounds condemned as a percent of live weight pounds inspected.

**Poultry Slaughter: Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type,
United States, June 2006 ¹**

Commodity	Jun 2005	May 2006	Jun 2006	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2005
				Jun 2005	May 2006	2005	2006	
				<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			
N.Y. Dressed Weight				<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>			<i>Percent</i>
Chickens								
Young	35,482	37,320	34,908	98	94	215,426	217,905	101
Mature	3,533	3,045	3,181	90	104	19,341	17,824	92
Light	1,922	1,321	1,233	64	93	10,041	7,866	78
Heavy	1,611	1,724	1,948	121	113	9,300	9,958	107
Total	39,015	40,365	38,089	98	94	234,767	235,729	100
Turkeys								
Young	8,757	8,936	8,749	100	98	52,502	51,730	99
Old	251	196	208	83	106	1,849	1,394	75
Total	9,008	9,132	8,957	99	98	54,351	53,124	98
Ducks	374	399	356	95	89	2,296	2,391	104
Other Poultry	5	5	16	320	320	28	33	118
Total Poultry	48,402	49,901	47,418	98	95	291,442	291,277	100
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Percent of Total Weight Condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.96	0.96	0.93	97	97	1.02	1.00	98
Mature	5.02	4.68	4.81	96	103	5.07	4.83	95
Light	9.06	8.97	9.10	100	101	8.45	8.85	105
Heavy	3.28	3.43	3.70	113	108	3.54	3.55	100
Total	1.03	1.02	1.00	97	98	1.09	1.06	97
Turkeys								
Young	1.59	1.60	1.53	96	96	1.71	1.64	96
Old	5.08	6.25	3.63	71	58	6.83	5.14	75
Total	1.62	1.63	1.55	96	95	1.75	1.67	95
Ducks	2.63	2.59	2.47	94	95	2.78	2.75	99
Other Poultry	1.34	1.46	4.62	345	316	1.42	1.93	136
Total Poultry	1.11	1.10	1.08	97	98	1.18	1.14	97

¹ Federally inspected only.

² Pounds condemned as a percent of N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected.

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight,
by State and United States, June 2006**

State	Number Slaughtered		Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AL	96,706	94,356	519,472	507,170	5.37	5.38
AR	100,947	100,387	530,432	524,835	5.25	5.23
CA	*	*	*	*	*	*
DE	26,769	25,762	181,096	171,928	6.77	6.67
FL	*	*	*	*	*	*
GA	115,407	111,404	594,429	574,713	5.15	5.16
KY	24,424	25,068	136,047	139,164	5.57	5.55
LA	18,063	15,987	102,838	91,184	5.69	5.70
MD	11,917	11,616	57,572	55,657	4.83	4.79
MS	67,835	64,651	391,217	368,917	5.77	5.71
MO	36,612	36,053	169,940	166,849	4.64	4.63
NJ	*	*	*	*	*	*
NY	*	*	*	*	*	*
NC	62,374	58,608	430,091	396,875	6.90	6.77
OH	3,959	3,915	21,406	20,506	5.41	5.24
PA	10,500	10,164	58,565	56,421	5.58	5.55
SC	24,573	23,911	153,565	148,981	6.25	6.23
TN	24,836	23,087	127,265	117,398	5.12	5.09
TX	58,197	57,194	307,935	301,066	5.29	5.26
VA	28,760	27,838	148,910	142,403	5.18	5.12
WA	*	*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts	74,975	73,580	388,314	377,576	5.18	5.13
US	786,854	763,581	4,319,094	4,161,643	5.49	5.45

* Included in "Other States" to avoid disclosing individual operations.

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations
by State and United States, June 2006**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			N.Y. Dressed Weight		Percent ²	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	387,176	378,883	4,550	4,277	0.97	0.94
AR	392,425	389,711	5,126	4,903	1.07	1.04
CA	*	*	*	*	*	*
DE	130,941	124,184	2,927	2,333	1.80	1.51
FL	*	*	*	*	*	*
GA	441,819	427,464	3,506	3,500	0.66	0.68
KY	99,508	101,263	848	1,062	0.69	0.85
LA	75,279	67,197	568	536	0.61	0.65
MD	41,657	40,221	574	496	1.11	0.99
MS	300,598	284,329	3,649	3,324	1.04	1.00
MO	124,765	122,901	1,116	1,165	0.73	0.78
NJ	*	*	*	*	*	*
NY	*	*	*	*	*	*
NC	324,259	301,797	4,249	3,962	1.10	1.11
OH	15,915	15,169	229	250	1.19	1.35
PA	42,092	39,866	899	781	1.71	1.54
SC	114,354	111,050	871	852	0.63	0.64
TN	92,983	85,958	960	948	0.84	0.90
TX	237,009	232,616	2,425	2,302	0.87	0.85
VA	104,654	99,541	970	836	0.72	0.65
WA	*	*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts	284,610	276,289	3,853	3,381	1.10	0.99
US	3,210,044	3,098,439	37,320	34,908	0.96	0.93

* Included in "Other States" to avoid disclosing individual operations.

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected.

**Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
by State and United States, May 2006**

State	Tuber- culosis	Leukosis	Septicemia	Airsac- culitis	Synovitis	Tumors
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young Birds						
AL		236	99,985	51,728	1,055	4,961
AR		*	182,589	66,100	*	3,469
CA		*	*	*	*	*
DE		*	130,002	38,455	*	8,738
FL		*	*	*	*	*
GA		479	77,059	51,639	284	7,409
IN		*	*	*	*	*
KY		68	39,246	*	*	*
LA		*	21,373	6,519	85	537
MD		5,392	35,688	*	40	*
MS		*	64,061	38,829	417	929
MO		695	77,851	10,104	*	1,321
NJ		*	*	*	*	*
NY		*	*	*	*	*
NC		*	88,156	40,107	*	7,622
OH		*	6,706	*	*	70
PA		*	26,288	17,615	125	352
SC		90	10,208	*	10	*
TN		*	56,467	22,580	*	871
TX		*	62,684	27,665	164	1,338
VA		*	44,792	21,479	*	*
WA		*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts		62,914	237,353	86,572	6,222	16,609
US		69,874	1,260,508	479,392	8,402	54,226
Mature Birds						
Light		1,399	161,484	28,312	76	76,805
Heavy		625	46,644	1,729	48	6,827
US		2,024	208,128	30,041	124	83,632

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
by State and United States, May 2006 (continued)**

	Bruises	Cadaver	Contam-ination	Overscald	Other	Total ¹
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young Birds						
AL	2,735	13,534	17,351	14,172	162,237	367,994
AR	5,559	18,218	35,672	5,832	108,708	430,312
CA	*	*	*	*	*	*
DE	2,515	7,688	9,516	3,989	38,383	292,556
FL	*	*	*	*	*	*
GA	2,268	21,518	11,191	7,661	89,599	269,107
IN	*	*	*	*	*	*
KY	*	3,102	6,005	839	*	85,331
LA	358	2,296	2,440	*	2,398	36,116
MD	*	4,659	*	390	*	*
MS	1,895	5,637	5,754	*	97,278	216,305
MO	1,253	2,329	8,218	371	*	156,146
NJ	*	*	*	*	*	*
NY	*	*	*	*	*	*
NC	1,865	16,285	11,018	8,012	111,488	285,215
OH	*	*	*	*	*	17,407
PA	896	3,147	7,089	*	10,107	70,970
SC	724	*	*	4,177	43,583	76,304
TN	600	4,552	4,312	1,125	7,006	97,951
TX	662	2,942	7,182	*	28,602	133,765
VA	896	3,778	6,515	3,732	23,831	110,334
WA	*	*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts	5,096	18,393	41,162	15,406	222,368	566,708
US	27,322	128,078	173,425	65,706	945,588	3,212,521
Mature Birds						
Light	10,393	4,705	94,362	916	71,860	450,312
Heavy	947	9,051	7,594	369	88,807	162,641
US	11,340	13,756	101,956	1,285	160,667	612,953

* Included in "Other States" to avoid disclosing individual operations.

¹ The sum of the individual diseases does not add across to the total for "Other States".

**Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
by State and United States, June 2006**

State	Tuber- culosis	Leukosis	Septicemia	Airsac- culitis	Synovitis	Tumors
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young Birds						
AL		*	103,003	44,814	922	5,498
AR		836	166,793	49,039	3,552	3,342
CA		*	*	*	*	*
DE		*	115,159	26,015	*	9,042
FL		*	*	*	*	*
GA		518	80,294	49,609	238	6,080
IN		*	*	*	*	*
KY		*	41,776	*	*	*
LA		*	18,974	5,282	131	456
MD		4,928	29,857	*	36	*
MS		243	63,431	30,429	*	681
MO		652	69,226	7,265	244	1,370
NJ		*	*	*	*	*
NY		*	*	*	*	*
NC		*	87,646	34,761	*	8,664
OH		*	5,907	*	*	73
PA		108	22,693	13,111	*	279
SC		*	9,063	4,517	*	*
TN		297	52,993	20,991	*	678
TX		*	56,066	19,798	137	1,186
VA		*	39,742	13,902	7	*
WA		*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts		23,591	194,567	53,042	2,971	17,283
US		31,173	1,157,190	372,575	8,238	54,632
Mature Birds						
Light		1,401	180,299	28,570	115	51,057
Heavy		527	51,187	2,526	105	5,582
US		1,928	231,486	31,096	220	56,639

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
by State and United States, June 2006 (continued)**

	Bruises	Cadaver	Contam-ination	Overscald	Other	Total ¹
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young Birds						
AL	2,796	13,427	17,254	*	148,613	369,250
AR	5,031	21,028	33,453	2,643	90,892	376,609
CA	*	*	*	*	*	*
DE	2,496	7,107	8,886	*	33,943	231,062
FL	*	*	*	*	*	*
GA	1,949	21,264	11,131	3,930	82,806	257,819
IN	*	*	*	*	*	*
KY	*	3,722	6,212	566	*	*
LA	364	2,603	*	43	2,575	34,469
MD	*	4,286	*	*	*	*
MS	1,795	7,526	6,710	*	83,602	196,748
MO	1,196	2,316	8,668	*	*	160,881
NJ	*	*	*	*	*	*
NY	*	*	*	*	*	*
NC	1,778	16,576	12,694	8,511	119,058	290,387
OH	*	1,056	*	*	*	20,984
PA	884	3,025	6,416	*	10,935	58,243
SC	577	3,978	*	4,211	25,354	51,468
TN	637	3,296	4,864	*	6,444	91,675
TX	669	3,466	6,242	*	31,324	122,367
VA	1,054	3,423	5,106	*	*	92,036
WA	*	*	*	*	*	*
Oth Sts	4,575	11,678	42,559	59,319	276,995	587,347
US	25,801	129,777	170,195	79,223	912,541	2,941,345
Mature Birds						
Light	10,598	3,326	93,887	3,138	45,654	418,045
Heavy	934	6,479	9,019	999	85,971	163,329
US	11,532	9,805	102,906	4,137	131,625	581,374

* Included in "Other States" to avoid disclosing individual operations.

¹ The sum of the individual diseases does not add across to the total for "Other States".

Young Turkeys (Mature) Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight, by State and United States, June 2006

State	Number Slaughtered		Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AR	2,812	2,949	56,048	56,518	19.93	19.17
MN	3,293	3,332	90,036	88,175	27.34	26.46
MO	1,501	1,517	49,198	48,732	32.78	32.12
Oth Sts	14,083	14,907	425,799	442,576	30.23	29.69
US	21,689	22,705	621,081	636,001	28.64	28.01

Young Turkeys (Mature) Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, by State and United States, June 2006

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			N.Y. Dressed Weight		Percent ²	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	46,095	46,452	661	693	1.31	1.36
MN	72,056	70,571	1,659	1,613	2.05	2.03
MO	38,665	38,364	845	798	1.91	1.82
Oth Sts	335,986	348,998	5,771	5,645	1.51	1.42
US	492,802	504,385	8,936	8,749	1.60	1.53

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected.

**Turkeys Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
United States, May 2006**

State	Tuber- culosis	Leukosis	Septicemia	Airsac- culitis	Synovitis	Tumors
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young (Mature) US		68	61,280	9,720	3,638	107
Old (Breeders) US			2,873	258	10	80
	Bruises	Cadaver	Contam- ination	Overscald	Other	Total
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young (Mature) US	553	4,835	4,087	2,835	24,975	112,098
Old (Breeders) US	41	70	78	32	183	3,625

**Turkeys Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
United States, June 2006**

State	Tuber- culosis	Leukosis	Septicemia	Airsac- culitis	Synovitis	Tumors
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young (Mature) US		65	59,994	8,184	3,215	85
Old (Breeders) US		4	2,545	407		85
	Bruises	Cadaver	Contam- ination	Overscald	Other	Total
	<i>Number of Head</i>					
Young (Mature) US	412	4,552	3,781	2,383	18,576	101,247
Old (Breeders) US	3	73	112	127	119	3,475

Poultry Slaughter Estimates

Data Sources: Data for poultry slaughter estimates are collected by inspectors of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA for all Federally Inspected (FI) plants. Over 99 percent of the total U.S. slaughter for any species is under FI. The number of head slaughtered daily, by species and class, as well as condemnations and total live and dressed weights are obtained by shift for each plant. Approximately 320 plants slaughtered poultry in the U.S. under Federal Inspection in 2005. Young chickens were killed in 35 states, young turkeys in 24 states.

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 February and reflect any late reports or corrections which occurred after the monthly revisions were published.

Procedures and Reliability: Plant inspectors submit data electronically for each shift a plant operates. An edit provides checks for the detection of errors such as invalid plant information, duplication, and erroneous data. Data are accumulated to monthly totals for this release.

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State data are published for selected states for young chickens and young turkeys. Data for all states not published are included in the "Other States" category. Also included in this category are data for published states that are confidential (denoted by an *). Data for all states are included in the U.S. totals.

Definitions

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. Included with young turkeys.

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 USDA 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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