

# Poultry Slaughter



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The preliminary total of LIVE WEIGHT POULTRY INSPECTIONS was 2.15 billion pounds (976 thousand metric tons) for May 1987.

Inspections included 1.72 billion pounds (781 thousand metric tons) of young chickens, 74.4 million pounds (33.8 thousand metric tons) of mature chickens, 344 million pounds (156 thousand metric tons) of turkeys and 12.1 million pounds (5470 metric tons) of ducks.

POULTRY CERTIFIED WHOLESOME during May 1987 was 1.58 billion pounds (717 thousand metric tons) ready-to-cook weight. Updated totals for April 1987 show that 1.59 billion pounds (722 thousand metric tons) were certified.

ANTE-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS during May 1987 totaled 6.99 million pounds (3170 metric tons). Condemnations were 0.32 percent of the live weight inspected compared with 0.29 percent a year ago. POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS, at 34.3 million pounds (15.6 thousand metric tons) (N.Y. Dressed Weight), were 1.77 percent of quantities inspected compared with 1.79 percent a year earlier.

FURTHER PROCESSED poultry totaled 537 million pounds (244 thousand metric tons) ready-to-cook weight. CUT-UP poultry totaled 815 million pounds (370 thousand metric tons).

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POULTRY: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, MAY 1987 WITH COMPARISONS

	CHICKENS			TURKEY			DUCKS	OTHER	TOTAL
	YOUNG	MATURE 1/	TOTAL	FRYERS	ROASTERS	YOUNG 2/			
NUMBER INSPECTED									
APRIL 1987	406,872	17,722	424,594	597	15,656	125	16,378	1,932	
MAY 1986	398,816	16,483	415,299	381	14,690	102	15,173	1,990	
MAY 1987	401,005	16,265	417,270	478	16,697	75	17,250	1,813	
JAN-MAY 1986	1,896,433	84,305	1,980,738	1,600	60,511	376	62,287	8,961	
JAN-MAY 1987	1,995,095	83,514	2,078,609	2,175	71,826	484	74,485	9,004	
POUNDS INSPECTED									
APRIL 1987	1,752,754	79,212	1,831,966	5,793	310,784	2,832	319,409	12,982	201,216,558
MAY 1986	1,689,677	74,838	1,764,515	3,455	290,226	2,261	295,942	13,138	219,207,814
MAY 1987	1,721,080	74,432	1,795,512	4,443	337,345	1,784	343,572	12,064	231,215,379
JAN-MAY 1986	8,128,626	377,682	8,506,308	15,395	1,227,343	8,654	1,251,392	60,080	1,037,981,817
JAN-MAY 1987	8,619,167	369,212	8,988,379	20,871	1,475,195	11,270	1,507,336	60,523	1,128,10,557,366

1/ OF THE MATURE CHICKENS INSPECTED, THE NUMBER REPORTED IN THOUSANDS AS HEAVY FOWL (BROILER BREEDING STOCK) WAS:

	1986	MAY 1987	1986	MAY 1987
AVERAGE LIVELINEWEIGHT				
APRIL	4.30	4.46	4.31	4.68
MAY	4.23	4.54	4.24	4.75
JAN-MAY	4.28	4.47	4.29	4.61
JAN-MAY	4.32	4.42	4.32	4.59

2/ OF THE YOUNG TURKEYS INSPECTED, THE NUMBER REPORTED IN THOUSANDS AS YOUNG BANDED BREEDERS WAS:

	1986	MAY 1987	1986	MAY 1987
POUNDS				
APRIL	19.84	19.84	22.61	19.50
MAY	19.75	19.75	22.03	19.50
JAN-MAY	20.20	20.20	23.68	19.91
JAN-MAY	20.35	20.35	22.95	20.09
JAN-MAY	20.53	20.53	23.26	20.23

POULTRY: POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WEIGHTS), MAY 1987 WITH COMPARISONS

	CHICKENS			TURKEY			DUCKS	OTHER	TOTAL
	YOUNG	MATURE	TOTAL	FRYERS	ROASTERS	YOUNG			
APRIL									
CHILLED	1,180,861	46,684	1,227,545	3,770	117,359	1,690	122,819	2,863	000,1,353,227
FROZEN	93,618	6,671	100,289	854	130,920	449	132,223	6,405	106,239,063
TOTAL	1,274,479	53,355	1,327,834	4,624	248,279	2,139	255,042	9,308	106,1,592,290
MAY									
CHILLED	1,152,297	40,669	1,192,966	123	92,452	968	93,543	2,075	000,1,284,584
FROZEN	76,774	5,599	82,373	2,582	139,518	765	142,865	7,094	120,232,452
TOTAL	1,229,071	46,268	1,275,339	2,705	231,970	1,733	236,408	9,169	120,1,521,036
MAY									
CHILLED	1,171,820	39,613	1,211,433	3,089	111,685	813	115,587	2,288	010,1,329,318
FROZEN	82,911	6,190	89,101	403	154,547	554	155,504	6,209	115,250,929
TOTAL	1,254,731	45,803	1,300,534	3,492	266,232	1,367	271,091	8,497	125,1,580,247
JAN-MAY									
CHILLED	5,507,718	207,783	5,715,501	736	436,539	4,135	441,410	10,920	006,6,167,837
FROZEN	385,041	26,041	411,082	11,237	542,577	2,534	556,338	30,989	551,998,940
TOTAL	5,892,759	233,824	6,126,583	11,973	979,116	6,659	997,748	41,889	557,7,166,777
JAN-MAY									
CHILLED	5,829,535	202,675	6,032,210	12,624	542,094	6,251	560,969	13,194	020,6,606,393
FROZEN	431,666	29,066	460,732	3,754	627,406	2,268	633,430	29,761	595,1,124,538
TOTAL	6,261,201	231,741	6,492,942	16,378	1,169,502	8,519	1,194,399	42,975	615,7,730,931

POULTRY: FURTHER PROCESSED AND CUT-UP (READY-TO-COOK) UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, MAY 1987 WITH COMPARISONS

READY-TO-COOK WEIGHT POUNDS USED	YOUNG CHICKENS		MATURE CHICKENS		TURKEYS		OTHER POULTRY 1/		TOTAL POULTRY	
	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986
APRIL	284,864	718,726	46,995	184	70,001	131,125	108,576	26,514	1,730	563,499
MAY	254,510	700,094	43,791	1,242	60,812	129,774	100,323	27,956	1,381	516,843
JAN-MAY	264,769	712,640	42,854	200	76,360	124,509	101,256	28,692	993	537,184
JAN-MAY	1,185,372	3,308,657	241,540	13,713	220,972	577,507	432,166	138,112	11,220	2,363,503
POUNDS CONDEMNED	1,341,692	3,407,749	256,289	1,284	306,732	618,235	517,748	147,629	7,931	2,670,577
APRIL	2,993	5,071	43	---	8	316	2,888	508	---	3,868
MAY	3,726	4,337	100	6	4	366	555	2,590	14	6,786
JAN-MAY	1,763	5,742	28	---	50	271	2,109	532	1	2,644
JAN-MAY	17,699	29,820	339	105	74	1,119	3,082	3,531	19	22,762
JAN-MAY	11,987	24,698	526	---	122	2,552	11,739	1,867	11	17,054

1/ POULTRY PARTS AND FATS USED IN FURTHER PROCESSING THAT CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED BY CLASS ARE INCLUDED IN 'OTHER POULTRY'.  
 2/ WHOLE CARCASS TURKEYS WHICH HAVE BEEN INJECTED, BASTED, MARINATED, SMOKED, BARBECUED, ETC., AND PACKED AS SUCH.

POULTRY: CONDEMNATIONS OF POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, MAY 1987 WITH COMPARISONS

ANTE-MORTEM 1,000 POUNDS (LIVELINE WEIGHT)	CHICKENS		TURKEY		DUCKS		OTHER		TOTAL	
	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986
APRIL	4,860	841	8	850	27	893	18	16	6,612	6,099
MAY	4,503	738	9	810	22	841	17	17	6,099	6,993
JAN-MAY	4,897	896	5	1,157	18	1,180	20	20	32,460	36,496
JAN-MAY	24,371	4,318	60	3,548	77	3,685	85	1	107	2
PERCENT 1/	27,565	4,266	34	4,427	95	4,556	107	2	13	29
MAY	26	98	27	27	99	28	13	13	26	32
MAY	28	1,20	11	34	104	34	17	17	130	177
POST-MORTEM 1,000 POUNDS (N.Y. DRESSED)	26,700	3,011	68	5,578	156	5,802	158	1	35,672	33,423
APRIL	26,001	2,694	32	4,403	115	4,550	175	3	34,294	37,926
MAY	25,039	2,758	39	6,211	99	6,349	146	2	14	14
JAN-MAY	138,299	13,611	169	20,626	442	21,237	767	14	699	11
JAN-MAY	142,538	14,096	236	27,197	611	28,044	699	11	1,96	1,79
PERCENT 2/	1,71	4,04	106	1,69	5,75	1,71	1,48	1,30	1,30	1,77
MAY	1,62	4,16	97	2,05	6,34	2,06	1,34	1,30	1,30	1,77

1/ POUNDS CONDEMNED AS PERCENT OF POUNDS (LIVELINE WEIGHT) INSPECTED. PERCENTAGE BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.  
 2/ POUNDS CONDEMNED AS PERCENT OF EQUIVALENT N.Y. DRESSED WEIGHT OF QUANTITY INSPECTED. PERCENTAGES BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

YOUNG CHICKENS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1986 AND 1987

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS		AVERAGE		TOTAL POUNDS		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS	
	1986	1987	1986	1987	INSPECTED/ (LIVWEIGHT)	INSPECTED/ (READY-TO-COOK WT.)	1986	1987	1986	1987
UNITED STATES	398,816	401,005	1,689,677	1,721,080	4.23	4.29	1,229,071	1,254,731	26,001	25,039
ALABAMA	51,307	53,082	207,805	215,600	4.05	4.06	150,616	156,369	3,289	3,304
ARKANSAS	62,833	65,550	257,417	269,278	4.09	4.10	187,066	193,179	3,298	3,451
CALIFORNIA	15,296	16,741	71,866	82,404	4.69	4.92	52,608	60,476	1,328	1,611
DELAWARE	16,397	15,987	80,316	82,739	4.89	5.17	57,711	59,018	2,215	1,609
FLORIDA	8,110	7,381	35,705	30,312	4.03	4.10	24,044	22,486	400	428
GEORGIA	59,153	57,024	242,498	243,300	4.16	4.26	178,820	178,847	3,162	2,773
INDIANA	8,184	7,694	31,257	29,841	3.81	3.87	23,578	22,580	268	338
LOUISIANA	15,554	14,806	63,957	62,488	4.11	4.22	44,181	45,073	1,963	1,164
MARYLAND	24,503	26,841	116,873	111,102	4.10	4.13	87,746	84,250	1,433	1,133
MISSISSIPPI	9,144	9,933	39,565	44,143	4.32	4.44	28,924	31,080	667	633
MISSOURI	40,467	39,813	183,789	181,891	4.54	4.61	135,700	133,760	2,871	3,128
NORTH CAROLINA	6,693	7,758	27,925	32,746	4.17	4.22	19,578	23,105	670	642
OREGON	6,004	7,774	31,233	31,253	3.90	4.02	21,228	21,228	477	592
PENNSYLVANIA	7,698	7,981	32,256	33,738	4.18	4.22	23,701	24,745	275	279
SOUTH CAROLINA	22,987	23,293	90,411	96,119	4.19	4.12	71,038	69,978	962	1,103
TENNESSEE	19,684	19,241	89,134	88,339	4.52	4.59	61,302	63,883	1,366	1,493
TEXAS	2,444	2,596	11,038	12,192	4.51	4.69	8,248	9,127	189	224
VIRGINIA										
WASHINGTON										

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YOUNG CHICKENS: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1987

STATE	TUBER		LEU		SPTFI		AIRSAC		SYNO		CONTAN		OVER		TOTAL
	YUBER	KOSIS	CEMIA	CULTITIS	VITIS	TUMORS	BRUISES	CADAVER	INATON	SCALO	OTHER				
UNITED STATES	236,637	1,640,377	1,103,452	26,816	131,573	60,574	165,099	218,847	34,450	125,956	3,743,781				
ALABAMA	26,572	163,745	198,224	2,036	20,287	7,436	28,153	27,331	4,979	12,219	506,982				
ARKANSAS	16,385	222,106	162,375	8,274	20,441	9,887	26,112	26,470	4,899	8,720	505,669				
CALIFORNIA	2,167	106,990	79,222	1,953	5,058	660	10,037	3,462	4,312	662	214,523				
DELAWARE	25,992	107,425	67,514	646	5,042	3,800	12,898	13,706	1,848	4,097	242,168				
FLORIDA	429	47,991	17,628	6,151	1,022	863	1,720	4,785	79	---	80,668				
GEORGIA	16,076	160,699	89,239	1,160	18,523	9,185	19,791	28,041	4,823	2,927	350,464				
LOUISIANA	238	25,388	5,649	436	1,010	1,133	3,077	2,413	824	---	40,168				
MARYLAND	36,845	74,421	58,934	299	3,376	2,558	6,946	11,125	566	5,737	200,807				
MISSISSIPPI	4,664	67,397	58,492	786	6,530	2,710	7,773	12,460	4,558	2,795	168,165				
MISSOURI	11,762	41,473	33,671	1,844	2,109	1,290	5,974	4,807	2,879	1,131	106,940				
NORTH CAROLINA	55,902	226,046	139,156	63	18,848	4,516	12,755	17,226	1,821	30,903	507,236				
OREGON	2,226	33,846	20,303	306	2,060	3,159	2,606	19,444	191	15,969	100,110				
PENNSYLVANIA	162	46,631	29,692	292	3,161	2,301	13,139	11,610	527	4,923	114,438				
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,069	33,528	5,648	368	2,616	1,071	2,992	2,992	26	---	49,149				
TENNESSEE	7,795	80,904	34,652	815	4,938	2,319	4,437	9,096	1,255	1,931	148,142				
TEXAS	21,640	90,154	57,054	25	5,621	2,469	5,510	7,316	545	2,369	192,907				
VIRGINIA	25	15,665	960	910	---	---	---	---	---	---	16,645				
WASHINGTON															

1/ DATA NOT PUBLISHED TO AVOID DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

MATURE CHICKENS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1986 AND 1987												
STATE	1986	1987	THOUSANDS	1986	1987	THOUSANDS	1986	1987	PERCENT			
UNITED STATES	16,483	16,265	74,838	74,432	4.54	4.57	46,266	45,803	2,694	2,758	4.04	4.16
CALIFORNIA	1,678	1,629	6,270	6,283	3.73	3.85	3,585	3,548	264	272	4.71	4.88
GEORGIA	3,129	3,173	17,153	17,421	5.48	5.48	10,573	10,735	534	545	3.50	3.53
NEW YORK	3/											
WASHINGTON	3/											

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MATURE CHICKENS: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1987											
STATE	TUBER-	LEU-	SEPTI-	AIRSAC-	SYNO-	CONTAM-	OVER-	OTHER	TOTAL		
UNITED STATES	20,263	190,489	10,178	703	174,581	26,329	26,626	70,816	4,115	39,465	563,565
CALIFORNIA	782	19,433			31,724	706	465	3,015		6,025	62,150
GEORGIA	574	39,785	393	137	26,203	2,701	4,965	20,305	1,007	1,721	97,871



FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1986 AND 1987

STATE	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	NUMBER	INSPECTED	AVERAGE	LIVEMILEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS		
UNITED STATES	381	478	3,452	4,443	9.06	2,705	3,492	32
								39
								1.06
								.97

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FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1987

STATE	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	TUBER-	LEU-	SEPTI-	AIRSAC-	SYNO-	CONTAM-
UNITED STATES	---	1,720	232	---	54	---
					561	---
					---	109
						2,676

OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS): SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1986 AND 1987

STATE	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	NUMBER	INSPECTED	AVERAGE	LIVEMILEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS
UNITED STATES	102	75	2,261	1,784	22.03	23.66
					1,733	1,367
						115
						99
						5.75
						6.34

1/ AVERAGE WEIGHT BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.  
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OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS): NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), MAY 1987

STATE	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	TUBER-	LEU-	SEPTI-	AIRSAC-	SYNO-	CONTAM-
UNITED STATES	---	2,137	501	8	105	48
					45	55
						51
						2,950

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DEFINITIONS USED TO REPORT FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER:

YOUNG CHICKENS - Commercially grown broilers-fryers and other young immature birds such as roasters and capons.

MATURE CHICKENS - Fowl from breeder and market egg flocks and stags and cocks.

FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS - Young immature birds, usually under 16 weeks of age.

YOUNG TURKEYS (MATURE) - Young birds grown to a matured market age, about 5 months.

OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS) - Fully matured birds held for egg production, usually over 15 months of age.

DUCKS - Includes all ducks regardless of age and weight.

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

