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The preliminary total of LIVE WEIGHT POULTRY INSPECTION was 2.34 billion pounds for October 1988.

Inspections included 1.80 billion pounds of young chickens, 61.1 million pounds of mature chickens, 464 million pounds of turkeys and 12.7 million pounds of ducks.

POULTRY CERTIFIED WHOLESOME during October 1988 was 1.73 billion pounds ready to cook weight. Updated totals for September 1988 show that 1.79 billion pounds were certified.

ANTE-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS during October 1988 totaled 7.00 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.29 percent of the live weight inspected compared to 0.27 percent a year ago. POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS, at 39.5 million pounds (N.Y.Dressed Weight), were 1.88 percent of quantities inspected compared with 1.94 percent a year earlier.

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* The data presented in this report were compiled by the Meat and Poultry *

* Inspection Program, Food Safety Inspection Service. Data for October *

* 1988 include reports available for summary in late November 1988. The *

* degree of incompleteness due to late reports will vary from month to *

* month. *

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POULTRY: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, OCTOBER 1988 WITH COMPARISONS

	CHICKENS										TURKEY				TOTAL
	YOUNG	MATURE	1/	TOTAL	FRYER-	ROASTERS	YOUNG	2/	OLD	TOTAL	DUCKS	OTHER	POULTRY	POULTRY	
NUMBER INSPECTED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	440,471	12,987	453,458	201	21,722	170	22,093	2,020	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	434,790	16,260	451,050	320	24,389	148	24,857	1,964	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1988	411,092	12,850	423,942	132	21,360	125	21,617	1,939	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1987	4,176,373	164,783	4,341,156	4,418	185,343	1,394	191,155	19,306	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1988	4,297,381	160,440	4,457,821	2,981	193,171	1,476	197,628	20,139	---	---	---	---	---	---	
POUNDS INSPECTED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	1,885,453	63,192	1,948,645	2,037	453,935	3,924	459,896	12,847	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	1,897,334	76,487	1,973,821	3,091	511,982	3,512	518,585	13,055	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1988	1,799,834	61,066	1,860,900	1,284	459,349	3,167	463,800	12,718	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1987	17,882,115	746,478	18,628,593	41,766	3,773,398	31,634	3,846,798	124,218	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1988	18,450,781	735,631	19,186,412	28,651	4,033,933	34,629	4,097,213	132,806	---	---	---	---	---	---	

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

OCTOBER 1987: 4,223 OCTOBER 1988: 3,398.

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

OCTOBER 1987: 121 OCTOBER 1988: 092.

POULTRY: POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WEIGHTS), OCTOBER 1988 WITH COMPARISONS

	CHICKENS										TURKEY				TOTAL
	YOUNG	MATURE	1/	TOTAL	FRYER-	ROASTERS	YOUNG	2/	OLD	TOTAL	DUCKS	OTHER	POULTRY	POULTRY	
NUMBER INSPECTED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	1,285,421	34,838	1,320,259	1,096	137,553	1,994	140,543	2,002	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	92,018	4,171	96,189	484	223,554	1,000	225,038	7,153	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1988	1,377,439	39,009	1,416,448	1,580	361,107	2,994	365,681	9,155	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1987	1,285,203	41,840	1,327,043	1,310	154,122	1,509	156,941	2,420	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1988	98,383	5,690	104,073	1,067	252,294	1,139	254,500	6,758	---	---	---	---	---	---	
POUNDS CERTIFIED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	1,383,586	47,530	1,431,116	2,377	406,416	2,648	411,441	9,178	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	1,224,616	35,234	1,259,850	508	150,479	1,818	152,805	2,086	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1988	83,568	2,602	86,170	472	218,289	667	219,428	7,002	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1987	1,308,184	37,836	1,346,020	980	368,768	2,485	372,233	9,088	---	---	---	---	---	---	
JAN-OCT 1988	12,103,428	404,088	12,507,516	25,776	1,207,333	16,676	1,249,785	24,730	---	---	---	---	---	---	
POUNDS CERTIFIED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	887,818	60,657	948,475	6,913	1,782,311	7,569	1,796,793	63,001	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	12,991,246	464,745	13,455,991	32,689	2,989,644	24,245	3,046,578	87,731	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1988	12,531,377	398,631	12,930,008	15,359	1,341,247	19,226	1,375,832	23,303	---	---	---	---	---	---	
POUNDS CERTIFIED	THOUSANDS														
SEPTEMBER 1988	885,353	54,250	939,603	6,890	1,865,551	7,141	1,879,582	70,917	---	---	---	---	---	---	
OCTOBER 1987	13,416,730	452,881	13,869,611	22,249	3,206,798	26,367	3,255,414	94,220	---	---	---	---	---	---	
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POULTRY: FURTHER PROCESSED AND CUT-UP (READY-TO-COOK) UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, OCTOBER 1988 WITH COMPARISONS

READY-TO-COOK WEIGHT POUNDS USED	YOUNG CHICKENS		MATURE CHICKENS		TURKEYS		OTHER POULTRY 1/		TOTAL POULTRY
	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988
SEPTEMBER	5,351	4,801	6,004	5,498	1,532	1,418	44	1,579	19
OCTOBER	4,801	5,196	5,778	5,778	1,418	1,160	46	1,468	30
JAN-OCT	60,737	8,881	69,618	67	13,394	313	13,774	258	8
PERCENT 1/	65,839	9,911	75,750	89	14,646	412	15,147	342	17
OCTOBER	.25	.28	.27	.31	.27	.25	1.31	.28	.23
OCTOBER	.91	.95	.27	.31	.25	.25	.66	.25	.29

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.

*** FSIS NO LONGER COLLECTS THIS DATA. ***

POULTRY: CONDEMNATIONS OF POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, OCTOBER 1988 WITH COMPARISONS

ANTE-MORTEM 1,000 POUNDS (LIVEMEIGHT)	CHICKENS		TURKEY		DUCKS		OTHER		TOTAL
	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988
SEPTEMBER	5,351	4,801	6,004	5,498	1,532	1,418	44	1,579	19
OCTOBER	4,801	5,196	5,778	5,778	1,418	1,160	46	1,468	30
JAN-OCT	60,737	8,881	69,618	67	13,394	313	13,774	258	8
PERCENT 1/	65,839	9,911	75,750	89	14,646	412	15,147	342	17
OCTOBER	.25	.28	.27	.31	.27	.25	1.31	.28	.23
OCTOBER	.91	.95	.27	.31	.25	.25	.66	.25	.29

1/ POUNDS CONDEMNED AS PERCENT OF POUNDS (LIVEMEIGHT) 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), OCTOBER 1987 AND 1988

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVWEIGHT)		AVERAGE LIVWEIGHT INSPECTED/		TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WT.)		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS		
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	
UNITED STATES	411,092	1,897,334	1,799,834	4.36	4.37	1,383,586	1,308,184	30,438	27,187	1.78	1.68
ALABAMA	54,901	248,298	232,224	4.15	4.22	182,440	170,382	4,479	3,165	2.00	1.51
ARKANSAS	72,221	306,038	297,288	4.23	4.15	218,855	207,722	5,197	4,490	1.89	1.68
CALIFORNIA	15,720	74,796	85,326	4.75	4.95	54,896	62,389	1,418	1,881	2.11	2.45
DELAWARE	17,892	93,256	91,328	5.21	5.02	67,059	66,018	1,638	1,649	1.95	2.01
FLORIDA	8,839	37,200	37,300	4.20	4.25	27,558	27,564	498	446	1.49	1.33
GEORGIA	62,898	277,624	257,928	4.41	4.44	203,890	190,108	3,747	3,385	1.50	1.46
LOUISIANA	8,056	31,499	35,376	3.90	4.00	23,681	26,311	333	353	1.17	1.11
MARYLAND	15,099	67,127	60,024	4.44	4.34	46,316	42,641	839	900	1.39	1.67
MISSISSIPPI	28,887	118,929	113,078	4.11	4.18	90,229	84,446	1,415	1,917	1.32	1.88
MISSOURI	10,456	47,523	44,215	4.54	4.49	34,350	32,004	1,002	759	2.35	1.91
NORTH CAROLINA	41,909	193,945	192,082	4.62	4.72	143,282	141,603	3,569	3,165	2.05	1.84
PENNSYLVANIA	8,388	35,469	34,821	4.22	4.27	24,794	24,414	748	737	2.35	2.36
SOUTH CAROLINA	7,863	39,011	32,629	3.97	4.04	26,964	22,947	851	546	2.43	1.86
TENNESSEE	7,863	39,011	31,867	4.32	4.42	24,841	23,438	359	275	1.17	0.96
TEXAS	25,353	108,467	97,123	4.27	4.28	81,613	72,598	1,211	1,284	1.24	1.47
VIRGINIA	20,439	95,358	78,917	4.66	4.50	68,269	56,777	1,656	1,028	1.93	1.45
WASHINGTON	2,135	9,725	9,474	4.55	4.44	7,109	7,098	195	178	2.24	2.10

1/ AVERAGE WEIGHT 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: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1988

STATE	TUBER- : LEU- : SEPTI- : AIRSAC- : SYNO- : BRUISES : CADAVER : INATION : SCALD : OTHER : TOTAL		WHOLE NUMBERS								
	1987	1988	1987	1988							
UNITED STATES	71,987	1,577,672	1,093,094	29,240	146,676	62,693	184,573	220,879	44,786	560,427	3,992,027
ALABAMA	5,808	158,707	100,121	2,990	25,362	8,318	22,646	25,200	3,442	52,946	405,540
ARKANSAS	8,145	240,481	264,494	8,484	22,680	10,482	29,094	32,370	3,355	86,127	705,712
CALIFORNIA	8,706	139,723	39,121	1,441	5,912	673	12,854	2,728	2,929	23,096	237,183
DELAWARE	3,043	112,683	57,496	337	4,037	5,357	9,339	11,830	727	38,747	243,596
FLORIDA	378	27,530	24,614	1,490	4,762	4,973	4,309	3,835	2,581	11,847	82,319
GEORGIA	7,937	172,833	109,063	1,341	24,290	9,050	26,836	23,164	4,176	46,145	424,835
LOUISIANA	245	20,699	11,522	540	1,927	1,473	2,579	3,897	455	13,587	56,924
MARYLAND	3,245	64,668	51,899	134	2,064	2,222	3,860	7,062	1,155	7,637	143,946
MISSISSIPPI	1,943	67,916	129,506	1,639	7,315	3,444	12,178	16,489	16,746	62,848	320,024
MISSOURI	17,983	43,191	44,124	2,199	3,207	819	2,946	4,566	228	10,812	130,075
NORTH CAROLINA	4,003	195,795	111,806	49	18,496	4,898	17,533	23,169	2,649	76,297	454,695
PENNSYLVANIA	1,020	53,537	29,108	492	2,597	2,923	2,352	21,105	336	21,557	135,027
SOUTH CAROLINA	634	32,523	19,333	370	6,945	1,912	7,123	7,100	971	20,754	98,265
TENNESSEE	1,018	23,385	11,058	209	1,856	916	5,716	2,351	278	3,876	50,663
TEXAS	2,605	63,445	22,180	1,914	7,758	2,214	7,964	10,513	1,402	33,820	153,815
VIRGINIA	2,531	80,346	36,825	49	2,711	2,375	9,580	9,420	892	11,551	156,280
WASHINGTON	743	13,326	2,289	494	738	279	373	201	67	8,212	26,722

MATURE CHICKENS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1987 AND 1988

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED	POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVEWEIGHT)	AVERAGE LIVEWEIGHT / INSPECTED	TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WT.)	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS
	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988
UNITED STATES	12,850	76,487	4.70	47,530	2,930
CALIFORNIA	827	6,771	4.17	3,997	196
GEORGIA	3,134	17,601	5.61	11,053	577

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

MATURE CHICKENS: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1988

STATE	TUBER- : CULOSIS:	LEU- : KOSIS :	SEPTI- : CEMIA :	AIRSAC- : CULITIS :	SYNO- : VITIS :	TUMORS : BRUISES:	CONTAM- : CADAVER:	OVER- : INATION:	SCALD :	OTHER :	TOTAL
	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988	1987 : 1988
UNITED STATES	172	6,302	167,843	10,631	1,645	102,268	27,381	24,223	100,391	4,272	65,977
CALIFORNIA	---	249	13,787	137	25	10,066	389	505	1,628	---	3,028
GEORGIA	---	742	40,985	76	346	14,908	4,901	5,420	20,274	1,795	89,447

YOUNG TURKEYS (MATURE): SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1987 AND 1988

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVWEIGHT)		AVERAGE LIVWEIGHT INSPECTED/		TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WT.)		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS			
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988		
UNITED STATES	24,389	21,360	511,982	459,349	20.99	21.50	406,416	368,768	9,915	9,221	2.15	2.23
ARKANSAS	1,997	935	41,587	19,149	20.81	20.47	33,088	15,659	1,108	373	2.97	2.17
CALIFORNIA	2,235	2,533	50,807	55,999	22.72	22.10	41,296	45,501	1,498	1,498	1.92	2.98
IOWA	1,560	1,363	34,927	31,198	22.37	22.88	27,541	24,212	759	686	2.42	2.45
MINNESOTA	4,489	3,970	87,550	81,257	19.50	20.46	69,624	64,180	1,756	1,795	2.23	2.46
MISSOURI	1,619	1,025	33,217	20,065	20.50	19.57	25,369	20,110	683	306	2.29	1.70
NORTH CAROLINA	4,388	3,630	80,648	72,772	18.37	20.04	65,324	58,425	1,245	1,084	1.72	1.65
PENNSYLVANIA	578	544	12,133	11,268	20.96	20.71	9,643	8,922	200	263	1.84	2.60
VIRGINIA	2,115	2,202	40,986	43,355	19.37	19.68	32,262	34,063	652	628	1.77	1.61

1/ AVERAGE WEIGHT BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

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

YOUNG TURKEYS (MATURE): NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1988

STATE	LEU- TUBER- CULOSIS		SEPTI- AIRSAC- CEMIA		VITIS : TUMORS		BRUISES : CADAVER		INATTON : SCALD		OTHER : TOTAL	
	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988
UNITED STATES	820	183,211	36,374	23,469	296	1,706	7,423	10,213	1,203	15,931	280,646	
ARKANSAS	---	7,462	1,065	139	11	117	234	957	---	1,351	11,336	
CALIFORNIA	6	30,120	11,061	836	58	57	642	877	8	7,523	51,188	
IOWA	---	12,345	5,089	3,506	97	10	307	390	---	470	22,214	
MINNESOTA	186	36,096	9,339	10,160	40	390	2,056	3,885	631	4,057	66,840	
MISSOURI	---	9,173	1,362	---	---	52	163	521	---	176	11,447	
NORTH CAROLINA	---	17,513	916	---	13	244	1,561	2,081	85	260	22,673	
PENNSYLVANIA	316	6,257	1,375	345	---	28	189	112	---	144	8,766	
VIRGINIA	---	12,008	490	401	---	53	1,181	166	---	574	14,873	

FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1987 AND 1988

STATE	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988
	NUMBER INSPECTED	POUNDS INSPECTED	AVERAGE LIVWEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS					
UNITED STATES	320	1,284	9.65	2,377	37	19	1.40	1.67		

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

FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS: NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1988

STATE	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	
	TUBER-LEU	SEPTI-AIRSAC	SYNO	TUMORS	BRUISES	CADAVER	INATON	SCALD	OTHER	TOTAL
UNITED STATES	---	843	---	18	---	156	---	---	---	1,017

OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS): SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1987 AND 1988

STATE	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988
	NUMBER INSPECTED	POUNDS INSPECTED	AVERAGE LIVWEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS					
UNITED STATES	148	3,512	23.68	2,648	191	114	6.17	4.02		

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

OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS): NUMBER CONDEMNED POST-MORTEM BY CAUSE, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), OCTOBER 1988

STATE	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	1987	1988	
	TUBER-LEU	SEPTI-AIRSAC	SYNO	TUMORS	BRUISES	CADAVER	INATON	SCALD	OTHER	TOTAL
UNITED STATES	---	2,139	---	370	24	77	16	69	70	2,765

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.