

Poultry Slaughter



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Ready-to-Cook Weight Inspected up 2 Percent

Poultry Certified Wholesome during August (ready-to-cook) weight, totaled 2.22 billion pounds, 2 percent above the amount certified in 1990. Updated totals for July 1991 show that 2.21 billion pounds were certified.

August 1991 contained 22 weekdays and five Saturdays. August had 23 weekdays and four Saturdays. Each weekday represents approximately 5 percent of the month's total.

The preliminary total Live Weight of Poultry Inspected during August 1991 was 3.02 billion pounds. Inspections included 2.40 billion pounds of young chickens, 67.6 million pounds of mature chickens, 536 million pounds of turkeys and 11.8 million pounds of ducks.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations during August 1991 totaled 12.1 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.39 percent of the live weight inspected, compared with 0.42 percent a year earlier.

Post-Mortem condemnations, at 49.9 million pounds (N.Y.Dressed Weight), were 1.84 percent of quantities inspected, compared with 1.81 percent a year earlier.

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POULTRY: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, AUGUST 1991 WITH COMPARISONS

NUMBER INSPECTED	CHICKENS				TURKEY				OTHER POULTRY	TOTAL POULTRY
	YOUNG		FRYER-ROASTERS		YOUNG		FRYER-ROASTERS			
	MATURE 1/	TOTAL	ROASTERS	FRYER-	2/	OLD	TOTAL	DUCKS		
JUL 1991	561,806	14,245	576,051	281	24,459	259	24,999	1,842	545	3,003,526
AUG 1990	541,869	15,707	557,576	337	26,598	270	27,205	1,814	450	2,970,754
AUG 1991	552,630	14,283	566,913	243	25,375	256	25,874	1,838	460	3,018,808
JAN-AUG 1990	3,916,120	127,887	4,044,007	2,015	170,680	1,498	174,193	13,991	3,028	21,424,418
JAN-AUG 1991	4,136,148	117,151	4,253,299	1,841	176,453	1,560	179,854	13,925	2,990	22,617,784
POUNDS INSPECTED	2,400,017	68,521	2,468,538	2,667	513,798	6,366	522,831	11,612	545	3,003,526
JUL 1991	2,323,214	73,720	2,396,934	3,177	552,166	6,384	561,127	11,643	450	2,970,754
AUG 1990	2,402,586	67,562	2,470,148	2,468	527,822	6,113	536,403	11,797	460	3,018,808
AUG 1991	17,032,871	601,633	17,634,504	19,512	3,639,005	36,543	3,695,060	91,826	3,028	21,424,418
JAN-AUG 1990	18,156,077	550,354	18,706,431	18,148	3,760,487	38,814	3,817,449	90,914	2,990	22,617,784
JAN-AUG 1991	4.27	4.81	4.28	9.48	21.00	24.50	20.91	6.30		
AUG 1990	4.28	4.69	4.29	9.42	20.75	23.64	20.64	6.41		
AUG 1991	4.34	4.73	4.35	10.13	20.80	23.81	20.72	6.41		
JAN-AUG 1990	4.34	4.70	4.36	9.68	21.32	24.38	21.21	6.56		
JAN-AUG 1991	4.38	4.69	4.39	9.85	21.31	24.87	21.22	6.52		

1/ OF THE MATURE CHICKENS INSPECTED, THE NUMBER REPORTED IN THOUSANDS AS HEAVY FOWL (BROTILER BREEDING STOCK) WAS:
 AUG 1990: 4,220, AUG 1991: 4,102.
 2/ OF THE YOUNG TURKEYS INSPECTED, THE NUMBER REPORTED IN THOUSANDS AS YOUNG BANDED BREEDERS WAS:
 AUG 1990: 150, AUG 1991: 147.

POULTRY: POUNDS CERTIFIED (READY-TO-COOK WEIGHTS), AUGUST 1991 WITH COMPARISONS

NUMBER INSPECTED	CHICKENS				TURKEY				OTHER POULTRY	TOTAL POULTRY
	YOUNG		FRYER-ROASTERS		YOUNG		FRYER-ROASTERS			
	MATURE	TOTAL	ROASTERS	FRYER-	2/	OLD	TOTAL	DUCKS		
JUL 1991	1,623,903	39,081	1,662,984	342	177,739	3,589	181,670	2,075	039	1,846,768
AUG 1990	122,438	3,326	125,764	1,679	228,147	1,303	231,129	6,293	262	363,448
AUG 1991	1,746,341	42,407	1,788,748	2,021	405,886	4,892	412,799	8,368	301	2,210,216
JAN-AUG 1990	1,567,810	41,697	1,609,507	1,757	188,667	3,441	193,865	2,529	026	1,805,927
JAN-AUG 1991	121,033	3,304	124,337	723	247,839	1,555	250,117	5,804	234	380,492
AUG 1990	1,688,843	45,001	1,733,844	2,480	436,506	4,996	443,982	8,333	260	2,186,419
AUG 1991	1,624,416	38,654	1,663,070	468	171,515	3,230	175,213	2,319	016	1,840,618
JAN-AUG 1990	123,118	3,531	126,649	1,440	245,834	1,477	248,751	6,192	237	381,829
JAN-AUG 1991	1,747,534	42,185	1,789,719	1,908	417,349	4,707	423,964	8,511	253	2,222,447
AUG 1990	11,406,940	335,149	11,742,089	9,426	1,381,621	18,759	1,409,806	19,618	663	13,172,176
AUG 1991	953,610	32,007	985,617	5,794	1,499,911	9,282	1,514,987	45,308	1,132	2,547,044
JAN-AUG 1990	12,360,550	367,156	12,727,706	15,220	2,681,532	28,041	2,924,793	64,926	1,795	15,719,220
JAN-AUG 1991	12,250,279	316,990	12,567,269	5,437	1,363,420	22,685	1,391,542	18,369	174	13,977,354
AUG 1990	939,748	22,838	962,586	8,632	1,610,849	6,950	1,626,431	46,639	1,475	2,637,131
AUG 1991	13,190,027	339,828	13,529,855	14,069	2,974,269	29,635	3,017,973	65,008	1,649	16,614,485

POULTRY: CONDEMNATIONS OF POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, AUGUST 1991 WITH COMPARISONS

	CHICKENS				TURKEY				DUCKS	OTHER POULTRY	TOTAL POULTRY						
	YOUNG		MATURE		TOTAL		FRYER-ROASTERS					YOUNG		OLD		TOTAL	
1,000 POUNDS (LIVE WEIGHT)																	
ANTE-MORTEM																	
JUL 1991	11,373	1,350	12,723	20	2,761	58	2,839	25	5	15,592							
AUG 1990	8,971	1,038	10,009	5	2,408	75	2,488	27	1	12,525							
AUG 1991	8,882	1,081	9,963	5	2,024	49	2,078	18	3	12,062							
JAN-AUG 1990	56,561	7,861	64,422	48	12,079	385	12,512	135	10	77,079							
JAN-AUG 1991	65,882	8,022	73,904	66	13,309	367	13,742	124	18	87,788							
PERCENT 1/																	
AUG 1990	.38	1.40	.41	.16	.43	1.17	.44	.23	.55	.42							
AUG 1991	.36	1.60	.40	.22	.38	.80	.38	.15	.68	.39							
1,000 POUNDS (N.Y. DRESSED)																	
POST-MORTEM																	
JUL 1991	36,849	3,057	39,906	54	9,287	335	9,676	160	3	49,745							
AUG 1990	34,368	3,243	37,611	34	10,132	284	10,450	127	2	48,190							
AUG 1991	36,037	3,125	39,162	31	10,210	324	10,565	155	1	49,883							
JAN-AUG 1990	267,085	27,194	294,279	234	66,287	1,880	68,401	1,067	32	363,779							
JAN-AUG 1991	295,274	25,078	320,352	268	67,098	2,214	69,580	1,177	22	391,131							
PERCENT 2/																	
AUG 1990	1.65	4.95	1.75	1.23	2.04	5.02	2.07	1.22	1.04	1.81							
AUG 1991	1.67	5.22	1.76	1.43	2.15	5.95	2.19	1.47	.84	1.84							

1/ POUNDS CONDEMNED AS PERCENT OF POUNDS (LIVEWEIGHT) 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), AUGUST 1990 AND 1991

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVE WEIGHT)		AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT INSPECTED 1/ (READY-TO-COOK WT.)		TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS			
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991		
US	541,869	552,630	2,323,214	2,402,586	4.28	4.34	1,688,843	1,747,534	34,368	36,037	1.65	1.67
AL	76,703	79,416	321,261	335,625	4.18	4.22	236,233	245,057	5,052	4,715	1.75	1.56
AR	89,060	87,544	365,288	368,917	4.10	4.21	258,616	260,102	4,910	5,592	1.49	1.69
CA	20,549	21,233	98,510	98,116	4.69	4.62	70,425	70,839	2,221	3,290	2.57	3.74
DE	20,504	20,166	100,510	98,821	4.90	4.90	73,024	71,899	1,531	1,303	1.69	1.47
FL	10,804	10,444	42,641	44,375	3.94	4.24	30,326	32,584	649	620	1.70	1.56
GA	74,174	74,444	318,845	325,163	4.29	4.36	236,517	240,556	3,241	3,779	1.13	1.29
LA	10,441	9,969	41,208	40,477	3.94	4.06	30,924	30,141	561	904	1.52	2.49
MD	17,733	16,908	75,229	71,875	4.24	4.25	52,926	50,635	959	721	1.42	1.12
MS	39,931	42,743	162,503	179,961	4.06	4.21	121,382	136,295	2,880	2,898	1.98	1.80
MO	16,367	16,971	67,473	71,102	4.12	4.18	48,637	51,412	1,330	1,030	2.20	1.61
NC	48,914	47,348	225,156	224,488	4.60	4.74	164,735	165,235	3,335	3,007	1.65	1.49
PA	8,561	9,176	39,553	41,640	4.61	4.53	28,210	29,540	695	748	1.96	2.00
SC	10,751	12,050	44,360	48,637	4.12	4.03	30,063	34,940	608	643	1.53	1.47
TN	10,721	11,440	46,892	51,676	4.37	4.51	33,709	37,203	517	539	1.23	1.16
TX	34,219	33,852	146,453	144,651	4.27	4.27	107,713	107,903	2,753	2,790	2.09	2.15
VA	25,170	28,095	111,769	124,389	4.44	4.42	80,546	90,064	1,051	1,099	1.04	.98
WA	3,018	2,810	13,742	13,368	4.55	4.75	10,238	9,578	212	268	1.72	2.24

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), AUGUST 1991

STATE	TUBER- CULOSIS:		LEU- KOSIS:		SEPTI- CENIA:		AIRSAC- CULITIS:		SYNO- VITIS:		TUMORS:		BRUISES:		CADAVER:		CONTAM- INATION:		OVER- SCALD:		OTHER:		TOTAL								
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991									
US	42,301	1,885,624	1,212,408	57,062	199,949	120,165	208,340	362,442	57,461	1015,961	5,161,713	653,228	748,495	553,393	182,432	452,641	154,686	115,577	466,949	164,352	362,239	92,202	109,147	88,726	401,029	158,011	30,359				
AL	1,524	203,809	162,139	7,862	32,420	19,007	30,725	46,719	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	7,180	141,843	
AR	4,268	291,185	184,517	17,063	16,892	21,024	28,891	53,130	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	7,249	124,276	
CA	2,837	256,495	105,646	1,408	12,013	974	10,856	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	150,296	5,157	7,711	
DE	2,562	100,612	22,426	171	7,531	5,327	6,904	15,446	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	1,418	20,035	
FL	391	29,854	28,171	7,301	2,717	2,841	4,428	22,106	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	1,518	20,663	
GA	1,699	157,444	107,055	1,579	34,661	14,872	27,998	34,654	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	5,255	67,424	
LA	643	38,745	52,376	2,050	2,378	2,508	3,885	3,465	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	1,742	46,894	
MD	1,153	66,175	13,963	412	3,219	2,715	5,793	14,350	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	669	7,128	
MS	1,459	109,135	173,516	3,015	11,090	11,041	17,230	26,880	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	3,819	109,754	
MO	3,761	50,453	41,857	3,480	6,611	2,826	4,665	15,827	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	266	34,606	
NC	2,521	121,455	70,804	282	32,537	6,686	18,919	22,382	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	7,973	78,680	
PA	8,991	36,792	9,833	287	5,041	3,047	10,459	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640	2,233	16,640
SC	206	26,273	34,754	526	4,698	4,232	9,180	10,405	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	2,333	16,640	
TN	2,028	43,459	13,907	1,001	2,035	2,375	6,521	11,625	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	3,380	82,509	
TX	1,466	147,222	135,785	3,403	5,056	4,052	11,625	16,217	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	
VA	2,034	79,304	21,401	98	9,540	4,645	8,860	16,217	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	3,763	12,149	
WA	82	12,821	215	432	592	279	809	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847	282	14,847		

MATURE CHICKENS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), AUGUST 1990 AND 1991

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVE WEIGHT)		AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT INSPECTED 1/ (READY-TO-COOK WT.)		TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
US	15,707	14,283	73,720	67,562	4.69	4.73	45,001	42,185	3,243	3,125
CA	1,022	1,293	4,205	5,649	4.11	4.36	2,277	3,309	160	298
GA	3,736	4,056	20,988	20,723	5.61	5.10	12,783	12,836	890	893

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), AUGUST 1991

STATE	WHOLE NUMBERS														
	TUBER-	CULOSIS:	LEU-	KOSIS	SEPTI-	AIRSAC-	CEMIA	CULTITIS	VITIS	TUMORS	BRUISES:	CADAVER:	INATON:	SCALD:	OTHER:
US	---	2,789	252,534	7,384	1,428	34,513	141,771	30,846	92,130	3,894	47,347	614,636			
CA	---	29	40,341	104	---	17,901	282	864	452	---	15,195	75,168			
GA	---	802	86,105	49	84	36,684	17,375	10,481	15,651	774	5,635	173,640			

YOUNG TURKEYS (MATURE): SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL AND SELECTED STATE(S), AUGUST 1990 AND 1991

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED		POUNDS (LIVE WEIGHT)		AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT INSPECTED 1/		TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED		POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS			
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991		
US	26,598	25,375	552,166	527,822	20.75	20.80	436,506	417,349	10,132	10,210	2.04	2.15
AR	2,187	2,011	41,548	40,177	18.99	19.97	33,780	32,308	1,034	1,217	2.78	3.38
CA	2,737	2,614	61,179	58,008	22.34	22.18	48,555	46,052	1,430	1,295	2.61	2.49
IA	1,390	1,385	34,122	34,714	24.54	25.04	25,944	27,011	765	617	2.50	1.98
MN	4,426	4,452	83,319	82,472	18.82	18.52	66,402	66,238	1,590	1,593	2.12	2.15
MO	1,723	1,842	35,566	35,990	20.64	19.53	27,424	28,336	792	1,029	2.48	3.19
NC	4,636	4,204	90,234	82,894	19.46	19.71	72,133	65,190	1,101	1,378	1.36	1.85
PA	663	581	12,851	11,268	19.37	19.37	9,940	8,885	236	179	2.05	1.77
VA	2,867	2,670	52,649	49,342	18.36	18.47	41,344	38,601	754	662	1.60	1.49

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), AUGUST 1991

STATE	LEU- KOSIS		SEPTI- CEMIA		AIRSAC- CULITIS		SYNO- VITIS		TUMORS		BRUISES		CADAVER: INATION		CONTAM-: OVER-: SCALD		OTHER: TOTAL			
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991		
US	588	143,563	43,579	14,094	180	2,168	7,099	9,483	2,739	12,196	235,689	3,778	32,357	28,356	12,286	51,902	30,878	19,939	5,242	9,216
AR	---	14,023	11,186	627	7	232	605	1,899	---	3,778	32,357	---	3,778	28,356	---	---	---	---	---	---
CA	---	24,281	1,726	208	---	22	465	579	153	807	28,356	153	807	28,356	---	---	---	---	---	---
IA	---	3,872	3,520	4,148	---	12	---	162	195	377	12,286	---	195	377	---	---	---	---	---	---
MN	288	34,310	3,397	5,199	55	1,071	2,268	2,144	532	2,638	51,902	532	2,638	51,902	---	---	---	---	---	---
MO	---	14,739	13,003	595	16	114	563	1,492	123	233	30,878	123	233	30,878	---	---	---	---	---	---
NC	---	12,220	4,036	---	28	386	1,027	1,569	87	586	19,939	87	586	19,939	---	---	---	---	---	---
PA	---	3,009	2,097	---	---	29	937	130	---	136	5,242	---	136	5,242	---	---	---	---	---	---
VA	---	6,793	197	---	---	29	937	130	---	809	9,216	321	809	9,216	---	---	---	---	---	---

FRYER-ROASTER TURKEYS: SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL, AUGUST 1990 AND 1991

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED	POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVE WEIGHT)	AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS
	1990	1991	1990	1990	1991
US	337	3,177	9.42	2,480	34
	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	POUNDS	THOUSANDS	PERCENT
	243	2,468	10.13	1,908	31
					1.23
					1.43

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, AUGUST 1991

STATE	TUBER- CULOSIS	LEU- KOSIS	SEPTI- CEMIA	AIRSAC- CULITIS	SYNO- VITIS	TUMORS	BRUISES	CADAVER	INATTON	SCALD	OTHER	TOTAL
	WHOLE NUMBERS											
US	---	---	686	106	---	---	171	---	---	111	---	1,074

OLD TURKEYS (BREEDERS): SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES TOTAL, AUGUST 1990 AND 1991

STATE	NUMBER INSPECTED	POUNDS INSPECTED (LIVE WEIGHT)	AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT	TOTAL POUNDS CERTIFIED	POST-MORTEM CONDEMNATIONS
	1990	1991	1990	1990	1991
US	270	256	6,384	6,113	23.64
	THOUSANDS	THOUSANDS	POUNDS	THOUSANDS	PERCENT
	270	256	23.64	4,996	284
					5.02
					5.95

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, AUGUST 1991

STATE	TUBER- CULOSIS	LEU- KOSIS	SEPTI- CEMIA	AIRSAC- CULITIS	SYNO- VITIS	TUMORS	BRUISES	CADAVER	INATTON	SCALD	OTHER	TOTAL
	WHOLE NUMBERS											
US	---	---	3,011	1,990	318	425	46	208	286	---	596	6,880

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.

Data Sources: Primary data for the commercial poultry slaughter data are obtained from the Poultry Inspection Form (FSIS 6000-21) completed by Inspectors from the Food, Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA, which provide 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 forms collect 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.

Update Policy: Updated data are generally the result of late reports received. Updates for the previous month and the year-to-date totals are noted in each monthly release and are usually within 1 1/2 percent of the preliminary totals. Final data are generally published in the May report.

Procedures: Plant inspectors submit weekly forms (FSIS 6000-21) summarizing the plants 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. The reported data is allocated to the appropriate month as it enters the database.

Each month the data are summarized by FSIS into the form published by NASS in the Poultry Slaughter report. The summary includes all data available at that time. No allowances are made for missing reports. The degree of incompleteness can vary from month to month.

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.

Annually, monthly summaries are rerun for the calendar year and tables are published in the May Poultry Slaughter report showing recap data by month for selected items.

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