

Poultry Slaughter



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Ready-to-Cook Weight Inspected Up 5 Percent

Poultry Certified Wholesome during January (ready-to-cook) weight, totaled 2.21 billion pounds, 5 percent above the amount certified in 1991. Updated totals for December 1991 show that 1.98 billion pounds were certified.

January 1992 contained 23 weekdays (including two holidays) and four Saturdays, the same as January 1991. Each weekday represents approximately 5 percent of the month's total.

The preliminary total Live Weight of Poultry Inspected during January 1992 was 3.03 billion pounds. Inspections included 2.48 billion pounds of young chickens, 80.2 million pounds of mature chickens, 462 million pounds of turkeys, and 9.70 million pounds of ducks.

Ante-mortem condemnations during January 1992 totaled 11.4 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.37 percent of the live weight inspected, compared with 0.40 percent a year earlier.

Post-Mortem condemnations, at 58.1 million pounds (N.Y.Dressed Weight), were 2.13 percent of quantities inspected compared with 2.14 percent a year earlier.

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Poultry: Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, January 1992 With Comparisons

Number Inspected	Chickens						Turkey					
	Young			Fryer-			Young			Ducks		
	Mature	1/	Total	Roasters	Young	2/	Old	Total	Young	2/	Old	Total
Dec 1991	484,619	14,576	499,195	131	19,912	170	20,213	1,453				
Jan 1991	524,756	15,059	539,815	169	20,503	222	20,894	1,887				
Jan 1992	545,143	17,596	562,739	108	20,327	247	20,682	1,476				
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Jan 1992	545,143	17,596	562,739	108	20,327	247	20,682	1,476				
Pounds Inspected												
Dec 1991	2,190,105	68,186	2,258,291	1,280	432,607	4,449	438,336	9,505	433	2,706,565		
Jan 1991	2,327,940	70,484	2,398,424	1,700	459,128	5,563	466,391	12,614	327	2,877,756		
Jan 1992	2,477,452	80,173	2,557,625	1,075	454,955	6,389	462,419	9,701	359	3,030,104		
Jan 1991	2,327,940	70,484	2,398,424	1,700	459,128	5,563	466,391	12,614	327	2,877,756		
Jan 1992	2,477,452	80,173	2,557,625	1,075	454,955	6,389	462,419	9,701	359	3,030,104		
Average Live Weight												
Dec 1991	4.51	4.67	4.52	9.71	21.72	26.04	21.68	6.54				
Jan 1991	4.43	4.68	4.44	10.06	22.39	25.05	22.32	6.68				
Jan 1992	4.54	4.55	4.54	9.87	22.38	25.80	22.35	6.57				
Jan 1991	4.43	4.68	4.44	10.06	22.39	25.05	22.32	6.68				
Jan 1992	4.54	4.55	4.54	9.87	22.38	25.80	22.35	6.57				

1/ Of the mature chickens inspected, the number reported in thousands as heavy fowl (broiler breeding stock) was:

January 1991: 4,117, January 1992: 4,315.

2/ Of the young turkeys inspected, the number reported in thousands as young banded breeders was:

January 1991: 048, January 1992: 072.

Poultry: Pounds Certified (Ready-to-Cook Weights), January 1992 With Comparisons

Dec 1991	Chickens						Turkey					
	Young			Fryer-			Young			Ducks		
	Mature	1/	Total	Roasters	Young	2/	Old	Total	Young	2/	Old	Total
Chilled	1,463,785	40,328	1,504,113	321	165,424	2,546	168,291	2,896	028	1,675,328		
Frozen	122,474	1,711	124,185	685	176,338	831	177,854	3,914	219	306,172		
Total	1,586,259	42,039	1,628,298	1,006	341,762	3,377	346,145	6,810	247	1,981,500		
Jan 1991												
Chilled	1,551,402	40,498	1,591,900	751	182,545	3,106	186,402	2,704	012	1,781,018		
Frozen	136,242	2,346	138,588	567	180,596	1,103	182,266	6,049	166	327,069		
Total	1,687,644	42,844	1,730,488	1,318	363,141	4,209	368,668	8,753	178	2,108,087		
Jan 1992												
Chilled	1,669,015	46,012	1,715,027	151	169,933	4,409	174,493	2,549	025	1,892,094		
Frozen	124,983	2,651	127,634	692	186,696	443	187,831	4,408	179	320,052		
Total	1,793,998	48,663	1,842,661	843	356,629	4,852	362,324	6,957	204	2,212,146		
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Frozen	136,242	2,346	138,588	567	180,596	1,103	182,266	6,049	166	327,069		
Total	1,687,644	42,844	1,730,488	1,318	363,141	4,209	368,668	8,753	178	2,108,087		
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Frozen	124,983	2,651	127,634	692	186,696	443	187,831	4,408	179	320,052		
Total	1,793,998	48,663	1,842,661	843	356,629	4,852	362,324	6,957	204	2,212,146		

Poultry: Condemnations of Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, January 1992 With Comparisons

	Chickens				Turkey				Total Poultry
	Young		Total		Young		Total		
	Mature	Roasters	Fryer-Roasters	Ducks	Other Poultry	Ducks	Other Poultry		
1,000 Pounds (Live Weight)									
Dec 1991	6,884	926	7,810	8	1,385	37	1,430	8	9,248
Jan 1991	8,755	1,105	9,860	9	1,575	68	1,652	15	11,528
Jan 1992	8,679	1,237	9,916	7	1,408	47	1,462	8	11,386
Jan 1991	8,755	1,105	9,860	9	1,575	68	1,652	15	11,528
Jan 1992	8,679	1,237	9,916	7	1,408	47	1,462	8	11,386
Percent 1/									
Jan 1991	.37	1.56	.41	.53	.34	1.22	.35	.12	.59
Jan 1992	.35	1.54	.38	.66	.30	.74	.31	.08	.34
1,000 Pounds (N.Y. Dressed)									
Post-Mortem									
Dec 1991	38,169	3,253	41,422	10	8,585	234	8,829	161	50,413
Jan 1991	42,792	3,265	46,057	27	8,815	341	9,183	202	55,444
Jan 1992	44,418	4,098	48,516	9	9,034	408	9,451	148	58,116
Jan 1991	42,792	3,265	46,057	27	8,815	341	9,183	202	55,444
Jan 1992	44,418	4,098	48,516	9	9,034	408	9,451	148	58,116
Percent 2/									
Jan 1991	2.05	5.22	2.14	1.80	2.14	6.93	2.19	1.78	2.14
Jan 1992	1.99	5.77	2.11	1.11	2.21	7.16	2.27	1.70	2.13

1/ Pounds condemned as percent of pounds (live 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), January 1991 and 1992

State	Number Inspected		Pounds (Live Weight)		Average Live Weight		Total Pounds Certified		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992		
US	524,756	545,143	2,327,940	2,477,452	4.43	4.54	1,687,644	1,793,998	42,792	44,418	2.05	1.99
AL	74,810	75,896	317,063	332,085	4.23	4.37	231,763	240,762	4,818	5,361	1.69	1.80
AR	85,314	86,032	373,505	379,074	4.37	4.40	263,165	268,198	6,818	5,878	2.03	1.72
CA	19,965	21,326	93,977	112,640	4.70	5.28	69,481	79,334	4,714	5,508	5.60	5.45
DE	19,321	20,565	97,863	108,331	5.06	5.26	72,475	79,260	1,974	1,824	2.24	1.87
FL	10,356	10,997	43,092	48,937	4.16	4.44	30,939	35,375	758	1,011	1.96	2.30
GA	70,081	72,275	310,907	328,146	4.43	4.54	229,751	240,866	3,619	4,095	1.29	1.39
LA	9,984	9,773	40,053	40,512	4.01	4.14	29,217	29,961	803	1,125	2.23	3.10
MD	16,185	17,032	70,260	75,566	4.34	4.43	49,594	52,792	1,153	1,060	1.83	1.56
MS	38,457	41,477	164,286	184,199	4.27	4.44	122,423	137,870	2,746	3,944	1.86	2.38
MO	16,069	17,683	68,058	74,196	4.23	4.19	48,844	53,877	1,831	1,295	3.00	1.94
NC	48,665	47,559	236,737	239,233	4.86	5.03	172,227	175,116	3,611	3,494	1.69	1.62
PA	8,516	9,071	40,031	43,661	4.70	4.81	28,813	30,580	758	989	2.11	2.52
SC	9,101	11,720	37,118	47,422	4.07	4.04	26,597	34,058	443	678	1.33	1.59
TN	11,573	11,743	53,303	51,776	4.60	4.40	37,323	37,662	640	696	1.33	1.49
TX	32,375	33,405	142,808	150,420	4.41	4.50	105,805	112,238	4,037	3,611	3.16	2.68
VA	25,971	28,479	115,781	128,729	4.45	4.52	82,306	92,698	1,489	1,197	1.43	1.03
WA	2,759	2,774	13,221	13,394	4.79	4.82	9,733	9,673	246	304	2.08	2.53

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), January 1992

State	Leu-		Septi-		Airsac-		Syno-		Tumors		Bruises		Cadaver		Contam-		Over-		Total															
	Tuber-	Culosis	Kosis	Cemia	Culitis	Vitis	Syno-	Vitis	Tumors	Bruises	Cadaver	Inatton	Scald	Other	Scald	Other																		
US	147,568	2,123,500	2,055,277	41,588	327,074	93,750	206,559	297,069	39,042	146,385	6,477,812	6,898	166,831	810,041	2,811	118,904	881,227	561,239	293,022	118,355	555,499	228,136	174,384	688,269	51,488	82,098	429,555	140,827	134,211	123,952	528,352	47,340	196,543	39,476
AL	18,936	251,330	232,262	5,869	50,319	13,940	24,395	39,261	6,898	166,831	810,041	2,811	118,904	881,227	1,055	204,522	561,239	293,022	118,355	555,499	228,136	174,384	688,269	51,488	82,098	429,555	140,827	134,211	123,952	528,352	47,340	196,543	39,476	
AR	14,753	329,705	279,649	10,938	31,752	17,471	29,520	45,724	2,811	118,904	881,227	1,055	204,522	561,239	2,825	24,888	293,022	118,355	555,499	228,136	174,384	688,269	51,488	82,098	429,555	140,827	134,211	123,952	528,352	47,340	196,543	39,476		
CA	8,656	202,671	107,881	2,646	15,931	8,12	12,919	3,146	5,977	11,494	24,888	2,825	24,888	293,022	3,105	11,003	3,895	68,142	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499
DE	6,647	110,799	109,608	184	15,585	5,015	5,977	11,494	5,977	11,494	24,888	2,825	24,888	293,022	3,105	11,003	3,895	68,142	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499
FL	2,766	31,015	30,217	2,126	7,959	2,159	3,105	11,003	2,159	3,105	11,003	2,159	3,105	11,003	2,159	3,105	3,895	68,142	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499
GA	2,396	162,991	200,384	1,671	56,067	10,216	21,564	28,173	2,671	5,578	3,895	247	55,736	228,136	247	55,736	3,895	68,142	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499
LA	1,155	39,797	113,933	2,174	3,249	2,671	5,578	3,895	2,671	5,578	3,895	247	55,736	228,136	247	55,736	3,895	68,142	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499	55,499
MD	3,042	79,017	47,808	355	7,277	2,499	6,152	15,640	2,499	6,152	15,640	2,499	6,152	15,640	2,499	6,152	15,640	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
MS	33,208	142,289	282,922	1,705	17,535	7,607	14,564	22,958	7,607	14,564	22,958	7,607	14,564	22,958	7,607	14,564	22,958	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
MO	12,082	70,066	63,520	3,454	10,589	2,589	3,638	9,814	2,589	3,638	9,814	2,589	3,638	9,814	2,589	3,638	9,814	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
NC	9,601	128,305	118,129	190	46,420	4,787	17,546	18,240	4,787	17,546	18,240	4,787	17,546	18,240	4,787	17,546	18,240	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
PA	11,117	50,112	33,806	472	7,368	1,896	6,152	15,640	1,896	6,152	15,640	1,896	6,152	15,640	1,896	6,152	15,640	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
SC	2,101	22,177	70,039	342	8,524	2,337	8,782	9,208	2,337	8,782	9,208	2,337	8,782	9,208	2,337	8,782	9,208	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
TN	1,669	52,628	25,705	517	4,364	2,262	8,457	3,967	2,262	8,457	3,967	2,262	8,457	3,967	2,262	8,457	3,967	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
TX	7,429	202,390	232,165	2,447	13,546	2,784	8,024	9,356	2,784	8,024	9,356	2,784	8,024	9,356	2,784	8,024	9,356	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
VA	5,807	82,447	46,317	102	14,027	3,312	11,724	15,125	3,312	11,724	15,125	3,312	11,724	15,125	3,312	11,724	15,125	111	12,483	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384	174,384
WA	84	20,013	1,134	---	1,121	303	481	313	303	481	313	303	481	313	303	481	313	171	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	15,856	

Mature Chickens: Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, United States Total and Selected State(s), January 1991 and 1992

State	Number Inspected		Pounds Inspected (Live Weight)		Average Live Weight Inspected		Total Pounds Certified		Post-Mortem Condemnations	
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
US	15,059	17,596	70,484	80,173	4.68	4.55	42,844	48,663	3,265	4,098
CA	1,153	1,575	4,369	5,838	3.78	3.70	2,426	3,086	233	472
GA	3,642	4,323	19,586	23,228	5.37	5.37	12,139	14,301	800	1,040

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), January 1992

State	Tuber- Culosis		Leu- Kosis		Septi- Cemia		Airsac- Culitis		Syno- Vitis		Tumors		Bruises		Cadaver		Contam- Ination		Over- Scald		Other		Total
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	
US	---	3,330	393,205	9,883	1,714	152,392	56,612	43,962	140,377	3,101	51,434	856,010	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
CA	---	55	71,111	---	---	28,703	712	488	717	---	---	101,786	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
GA	---	535	115,505	15	---	31,986	28,227	15,669	27,403	724	9,279	229,343	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Young Turkeys (Mature): Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, United States Total and Selected State(s), January 1991 and 1992

State	Number Inspected		Pounds Inspected (Live Weight)		Average Live Weight Inspected		Total Pounds Certified		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992		
US	20,327	20,327	459,128	454,955	22.39	22.38	363,141	356,629	8,815	9,034	2.14	2.21
AR	1,831	1,849	40,400	40,818	22.06	22.06	33,232	33,097	943	1,050	2.60	2.86
CA	1,980	1,868	45,060	44,798	22.74	23.97	35,581	34,877	968	954	2.39	2.37
IA	1,007	979	28,510	28,721	28.30	29.31	22,109	22,207	874	731	3.43	2.84
MN	2,817	2,713	53,469	48,213	18.97	17.76	42,431	38,035	1,409	1,186	2.94	2.74
MO	1,525	1,505	32,732	31,982	21.45	21.24	26,297	25,203	697	749	2.38	2.61
NC	4,180	3,950	87,801	83,843	21.00	21.22	69,241	64,973	1,074	1,329	1.36	1.76
PA	704	616	14,591	12,053	20.71	19.55	11,779	9,358	221	188	1.69	1.74
VA	2,537	2,854	49,291	54,558	19.42	19.11	38,175	42,675	806	935	1.82	1.91

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), January 1992

State	Tuber- Culosis		Leu- Kosis		Septi- Cemia		Airsac- Culitis		Syno- Vitis		Tumors		Bruises		Cadaver		Contam- Ination		Over- Scald		Other		Total
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	
US	683	111,604	32,461	32,461	9,955	131	1,455	7,070	9,477	1,633	11,423	185,892											
AR		9,535	3,435	3,435	387	29	245	964	1,995	361	2,766	19,717											
CA	13	17,193	242	242	3,391	13	39	294	270	---	185	21,640											
IA		4,625	4,618	4,618	3,324	---	26	---	234	---	147	12,974											
MN		21,341	7,640	7,640	1,166	23	336	905	1,284	255	2,225	35,175											
MS		10,779	2,795	2,795	---	---	138	---	1,460	---	260	15,432											
NC	494	12,322	3,632	3,632	---	16	338	1,109	2,447	151	2,473	22,982											
PA		3,939	580	580	91	---	70	135	282	---	152	5,249											
VA		12,072	581	581	5	13	33	923	327	---	1,507	15,461											

Fryer-Roaster Turkeys: Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, United States Total and Selected State(s), January 1991 and 1992

State	Number Inspected		Pounds Inspected (Live Weight)		Average Live Weight		Total Pounds Certified		Post-mortem Condemnations			
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992		
US	169	108	1,700	1,075	10.06	9.87	1,318	843	27	9	1.80	1.11

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), January 1992

State	Leu-		Septi-		Airsac-		Syno-		Tumors		Bruises		Cadaver		Ination		Scald		Other		Total	
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
United States	Whole Numbers																					
United States	0																					

Old Turkeys (Breeders): Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, United States Total and Selected State(s), January 1991 and 1992

State	Number Inspected		Pounds Inspected (Live Weight)		Average Live Weight		Total Pounds Certified		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992		
US	222	247	5,563	6,389	25.05	25.80	4,209	4,852	341	408	6.93	7.16

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), January 1992

State	Leu-		Septi-		Airsac-		Syno-		Tumors		Bruises		Cadaver		Ination		Scald		Other		Total	
	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992
US	Whole Numbers																					
US	4,161	2,264	38	192	68	127	330	864	8,044													

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.

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.

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