

Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Poultry certified wholesome during June 2009 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.60 billion pounds, down 2 percent from the amount certified in June 2008. The May 2009 revised certified total at 3.39 billion pounds, was down 9 percent from May 2008. The May revision represented an increase of 499 thousand pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of poultry inspected during June 2009 was 4.79 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 4.90 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.08 billion pounds, down 2 percent from June 2008. Mature chickens, at 72.4 million pounds, were down 9 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 618 million pounds, down 6 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 13.0 million pounds, up 5 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2009 averaged 5.54 pounds per bird, down slightly from June 2008. The average live weight of mature chickens was 5.68 pounds per bird, down 2 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2009 averaged 28.5 pounds per bird, down 1 percent from June 2008.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2009 totaled 14.0 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.29 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.34 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 37.2 million pounds, were 1.02 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 1.15 percent a year earlier.

June 2009 contained 22 weekdays and 4 Saturdays, while June 2008 had 21 weekdays and 4 Saturdays.

**Poultry Slaughter: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight by Type,
United States, June, 2008-2009¹**

Commodity	Jun 2008	May 2009	Jun 2009	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2008
				Jun 2008	May 2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pct</i>
Number Slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	746,784	693,017	737,427	99	106	4,511,748	4,232,108	94
Mature	13,767	11,575	12,752	93	110	78,566	69,334	88
Light	6,361	5,692	6,200	97	109	37,262	32,053	86
Heavy	7,406	5,883	6,552	88	111	41,304	37,281	90
Total	760,551	704,592	750,179	99	106	4,590,314	4,301,442	94
Turkeys								
Young	22,652	19,450	21,531	95	111	131,530	119,059	91
Old	210	114	153	73	134	978	903	92
Total	22,862	19,564	21,684	95	111	132,508	119,962	91
Ducks	1,865	1,819	1,912	103	105	12,022	11,243	94
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>
Live Weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,151,989	3,873,638	4,081,944	98	105	25,125,093	23,524,869	94
Mature	79,621	65,063	72,379	91	111	450,722	396,963	88
Light	20,945	18,565	20,071	96	108	121,884	103,768	85
Heavy	58,676	46,498	52,308	89	112	328,838	293,195	89
Total	4,231,610	3,938,701	4,154,323	98	105	25,575,815	23,921,832	94
Turkeys								
Young	650,922	560,711	613,835	94	109	3,873,842	3,496,551	90
Old	5,529	2,917	3,988	72	137	26,096	24,234	93
Total	656,451	563,628	617,823	94	110	3,899,938	3,520,785	90
Ducks	12,406	12,433	13,011	105	105	81,002	75,800	94
Other Poultry ²	217	164	193	89	118	1,051	932	89
Total Poultry	4,900,684	4,514,926	4,785,350	98	106	29,557,806	27,519,349	93
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>
Average Live Weight								
Chickens								
Young	5.56	5.59	5.54	100	99	5.57	5.56	100
Mature	5.78	5.62	5.68	98	101	5.74	5.73	100
Light	3.29	3.26	3.24	98	99	3.27	3.24	99
Heavy	7.92	7.90	7.98	101	101	7.96	7.86	99
Total	5.56	5.59	5.54	100	99	5.57	5.56	100
Turkeys								
Young	28.74	28.83	28.51	99	99	29.45	29.37	100
Old	26.33	25.59	26.07	99	102	26.68	26.84	101
Total	28.71	28.81	28.49	99	99	29.43	29.35	100
Ducks	6.65	6.84	6.80	102	99	6.74	6.74	100

¹ Federally inspected only.

² Includes geese, guineas, ostriches, emus, rheas, and squab.

**Poultry Slaughter: Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type,
United States, June, 2008-2009¹**

Commodity	Jun 2008	May 2009	Jun 2009	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2008
				Jun 2008	May 2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pct</i>
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	2,784,675	2,622,220	2,765,636	99	105	16,833,797	15,903,012	94
Mature	48,403	40,340	44,776	93	111	274,176	245,706	90
Light	10,263	9,664	10,605	103	110	58,730	53,007	90
Heavy	38,140	30,676	34,171	90	111	215,446	192,699	89
Total	2,833,078	2,662,560	2,810,412	99	106	17,107,973	16,148,718	94
Turkeys								
Young	295,642	273,239	296,130	100	108	1,805,748	1,733,802	96
Old	3,539	2,166	2,935	83	136	15,163	15,208	100
Total	299,181	275,405	299,065	100	109	1,820,911	1,749,010	96
Ducks	3,242	2,896	3,175	98	110	25,175	18,438	73
Other Poultry ²	100	75	82	82	109	524	444	85
Total Poultry	3,135,601	2,940,936	3,112,734	99	106	18,954,583	17,916,610	95
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	292,598	268,143	281,837	96	105	1,750,785	1,606,137	92
Mature	1,354	268	338	25	126	8,126	1,723	21
Light	974					6,199	113	2
Heavy	380	268	338	89	126	1,927	1,610	84
Total	293,952	268,411	282,175	96	105	1,758,911	1,607,860	91
Turkeys								
Young	222,269	175,533	194,539	88	111	1,271,136	1,052,710	83
Old	560	71	86	15	121	4,344	3,294	76
Total	222,829	175,604	194,625	87	111	1,275,480	1,056,004	83
Ducks	5,719	5,919	6,110	107	103	33,027	35,579	108
Other Poultry ²	33	34	37	112	109	166	164	99
Total Poultry	522,533	449,968	482,947	92	107	3,067,584	2,699,607	88
Chilled and Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,077,273	2,890,363	3,047,473	99	105	18,584,582	17,509,149	94
Mature	49,757	40,608	45,114	91	111	282,302	247,429	88
Light	11,237	9,664	10,605	94	110	64,929	53,120	82
Heavy	38,520	30,944	34,509	90	112	217,373	194,309	89
Total	3,127,030	2,930,971	3,092,587	99	106	18,866,884	17,756,578	94
Turkeys								
Young	517,911	448,772	490,669	95	109	3,076,884	2,786,512	91
Old	4,099	2,237	3,021	74	135	19,507	18,502	95
Total	522,010	451,009	493,690	95	109	3,096,391	2,805,014	91
Ducks	8,961	8,815	9,285	104	105	58,202	54,017	93
Other Poultry ²	133	109	119	89	109	690	608	88
Total Poultry	3,658,134	3,390,904	3,595,681	98	106	22,022,167	20,616,217	94

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

**Poultry Slaughter: Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type,
United States, June, 2008-2009¹**

Commodity	Jun 2008	May 2009	Jun 2009	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2008
				Jun 2008	May 2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Live Weight								
Chickens								
Young	13,434	8,635	10,710	80	124	80,841	61,234	76
Mature	1,554	841	1,662	107	198	7,603	6,616	87
Light	412	223	395	96	177	2,530	1,512	60
Heavy	1,142	618	1,267	111	205	5,073	5,104	101
Total	14,988	9,476	12,372	83	131	88,444	67,850	77
Turkeys								
Young	1,648	1,282	1,565	95	122	10,336	9,308	90
Old	70	20	59	84	295	295	254	86
Total	1,718	1,302	1,624	95	125	10,631	9,562	90
Ducks	40	39	50	125	128	172	229	133
Other Poultry						2		
Total Poultry	16,746	10,817	14,046	84	130	99,249	77,641	78
	<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 Live Weight Condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.32	0.22	0.26	81	118	0.32	0.26	81
Mature	1.95	1.29	2.30	118	178	1.69	1.67	99
Light	1.97	1.20	1.97	100	164	2.08	1.46	70
Heavy	1.95	1.33	2.42	124	182	1.54	1.74	113
Total	0.35	0.24	0.30	86	125	0.35	0.28	80
Turkeys								
Young	0.25	0.23	0.25	100	109	0.27	0.27	100
Old	1.27	0.69	1.48	117	214	1.13	1.05	93
Total	0.26	0.23	0.26	100	113	0.27	0.27	100
Ducks	0.32	0.31	0.38	119	123	0.21	0.30	143
Other Poultry						0.19		
Total Poultry	0.34	0.24	0.29	85	121	0.34	0.28	82

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, 2008-2009¹**

Commodity	Jun 2008	May 2009	Jun 2009	Percent of		January to Date		Percent of 2008
				Jun 2008	May 2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Carcass and Parts								
Chickens								
Young	30,240	25,108	26,487	88	105	206,706	165,979	80
Mature	3,621	3,151	3,237	89	103	20,304	18,655	92
Light	1,198	1,363	1,408	118	103	7,217	7,166	99
Heavy	2,423	1,788	1,829	75	102	13,087	11,489	88
Total	33,861	28,259	29,724	88	105	227,010	184,634	81
Turkeys								
Young	8,063	6,859	7,120	88	104	51,649	44,411	86
Old	362	111	172	48	155	1,517	933	62
Total	8,425	6,970	7,292	87	105	53,166	45,344	85
Ducks	216	203	210	97	103	1,556	1,583	102
Other Poultry	1	2	2	200	100	9	11	122
Total Poultry	42,503	35,434	37,228	88	105	281,741	231,572	82
	<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 Weight Condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.97	0.86	0.86	89	100	1.10	0.94	85
Mature	6.78	7.20	6.69	99	93	6.71	7.01	104
Light	9.63	12.36	11.72	122	95	10.00	11.89	119
Heavy	5.92	5.46	5.03	85	92	5.68	5.58	98
Total	1.07	0.95	0.95	89	100	1.19	1.03	87
Turkeys								
Young	1.53	1.51	1.43	93	95	1.65	1.57	95
Old	8.11	4.73	5.39	66	114	7.22	4.80	66
Total	1.59	1.52	1.46	92	96	1.69	1.59	94
Ducks	2.35	2.25	2.21	94	98	2.60	2.85	110
Other Poultry	0.75	1.80	1.65	220	92	1.29	1.78	138
Total Poultry	1.15	1.03	1.02	89	99	1.26	1.11	88

¹ Federally inspected only.

² Pounds condemned as a percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

**Poultry Slaughter: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type,
United States, May 2009-June 2009**

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
Chickens						
Young			20,504	8,850	759,937	822,945
Mature			1,489	1,319	184,194	191,995
Light			1,393	1,075	156,675	165,154
Heavy			96	244	27,519	26,841
Total			21,993	10,169	944,131	1,014,940
Turkeys						
Young			35	537	37,424	35,209
Old				1	1,898	2,025
Total			35	538	39,322	37,234
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
Chickens						
Young	330,299	291,712	4,783	5,344	47,752	50,468
Mature	9,741	13,923	288	719	43,943	56,715
Light	6,987	10,795	166	575	38,170	51,257
Heavy	2,754	3,128	122	144	5,773	5,458
Total	340,040	305,635	5,071	6,063	91,695	107,183
Turkeys						
Young	4,657	4,369	2,301	2,000	79	91
Old	130	291	2	4	51	85
Total	4,787	4,660	2,303	2,004	130	176
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
Chickens						
Young	11,748	12,579	60,978	66,470	103,653	109,262
Mature	12,849	16,792	3,131	3,428	107,688	105,863
Light	12,400	16,253	1,690	2,375	96,068	97,065
Heavy	449	539	1,441	1,053	11,620	8,798
Total	24,597	29,371	64,109	69,898	211,341	215,125
Turkeys						
Young	402	380	1,714	1,302	1,786	1,985
Old	12	8	22	6	61	87
Total	414	388	1,736	1,308	1,847	2,072
Commodity	Overscald		Other		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
Chickens						
Young	27,146	31,121	776,016	819,351	2,142,816	2,218,102
Mature	1,184	1,291	172,946	169,388	537,453	561,433
Light	685	334	81,261	78,619	395,495	423,502
Heavy	499	957	91,685	90,769	141,958	137,931
Total	28,330	32,412	948,962	988,739	2,680,269	2,779,535
Turkeys						
Young	942	386	13,832	13,117	63,172	59,376
Old	10	37	233	622	2,419	3,166
Total	952	423	14,065	13,739	65,591	62,542

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight,
by State and United States, May 2009-June 2009**

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	85,299	91,745	465,844	502,617	5.46	5.48
AK						
AZ						
AR	78,335	85,481	427,398	457,838	5.46	5.36
CA	22,981	24,671	128,619	137,209	5.60	5.56
CO						
CT						
DE	24,797	26,916	170,798	187,569	6.89	6.97
FL	2,942	2,865	17,135	17,082	5.82	5.96
GA	101,450	105,538	527,666	543,416	5.20	5.15
HI						
ID						
IL						
IN	4,437	4,848	19,885	20,867	4.48	4.30
IA						
KS						
KY	23,846	25,799	130,118	139,186	5.46	5.40
LA	11,498	10,707	68,814	64,037	5.98	5.98
ME						
MD	11,760	12,251	56,322	56,602	4.79	4.62
MA						
MI						
MN						
MS	61,036	63,356	359,746	365,021	5.89	5.76
MO	32,199	34,588	153,076	161,908	4.75	4.68
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ	493	460	2,202	1,979	4.47	4.30
NM						
NY	1,876	1,883	9,746	9,654	5.19	5.13
NC	57,884	61,513	404,853	427,561	6.99	6.95
ND						
OH	4,514	4,711	27,092	28,124	6.00	5.97
OK						
OR						
PA	9,410	10,320	52,986	58,689	5.63	5.69
RI						
SC	23,523	25,258	152,092	159,447	6.47	6.31
SD						
TN	20,494	23,341	104,883	115,990	5.12	4.97
TX	55,424	59,356	302,048	321,467	5.45	5.42
UT						
VT						
VA	26,287	27,375	131,787	135,750	5.01	4.96
WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
US ¹	693,017	737,427	3,873,638	4,081,944	5.59	5.54

¹ States with no data printed are included in the US total. Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations or no active slaughter facility exists in the State.

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations
by State and United States, May 2009-June 2009**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			Carcass and Parts		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	348,753	377,026	2,518	2,733	0.72	0.72
AK						
AZ						
AR	310,435	333,980	2,900	2,913	0.93	0.86
CA	94,984	100,786	966	1,101	1.01	1.08
CO						
CT						
DE	122,734	134,640	1,374	1,626	1.11	1.19
FL	12,058	12,012	84	90	0.69	0.74
GA	396,998	407,790	2,526	2,604	0.63	0.63
HI						
ID						
IL						
IN	14,544	15,262	167	176	1.14	1.14
IA						
KS						
KY	94,577	101,351	716	619	0.75	0.61
LA	52,251	49,034	248	256	0.47	0.52
ME						
MD	40,859	41,138	408	405	0.99	0.98
MA						
MI						
MN						
MS	275,542	281,338	2,065	2,191	0.74	0.77
MO	112,537	119,232	1,309	1,420	1.15	1.18
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ	1,343	1,219	65	38	4.62	3.01
NM						
NY	6,007	6,030	188	216	3.04	3.46
NC	311,692	329,593	3,481	3,640	1.10	1.09
ND						
OH	19,933	20,842	358	338	1.76	1.59
OK						
OR						
PA	37,201	41,210	613	681	1.62	1.63
RI						
SC	114,337	119,726	938	921	0.81	0.76
SD						
TN	75,940	84,003	602	639	0.79	0.75
TX	237,238	250,858	1,684	1,826	0.71	0.72
UT						
VT						
VA	91,561	94,639	712	871	0.77	0.91
WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
US ³	2,890,363	3,047,473	25,108	26,487	0.86	0.86

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

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**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause,
by State and United States, May 2009-June 2009**

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
AL			124	88	48,590	53,948
AR			368	385	91,310	101,128
DE			1,368	1,711	42,381	47,392
GA			213	98	54,537	53,571
MS			143	175	28,667	29,814
MO			317	273	74,793	83,871
NC			14,129	3,358	70,877	83,161
TX			83	58	40,076	40,918
VA			72	130	22,318	26,061
US ¹			20,504	8,850	759,937	822,945
State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
AL	38,894	37,237	167	203	3,458	3,272
AR	29,912	25,107	1,862	2,410	1,867	1,720
DE	24,224	22,205	82	65	6,787	6,673
GA	56,456	49,433	161	147	9,154	10,493
MS	12,043	10,131	186	266	458	421
MO	12,993	15,004	122	135	1,468	1,455
NC	28,505	30,109	396	222	10,480	12,493
TX	12,843	10,004	59	67	548	608
VA	12,098	14,276	27	15	3,199	3,069
US ¹	330,299	291,712	4,783	5,344	47,752	50,468
State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
AL	1,178	1,290	5,337	5,528	6,959	8,055
AR	1,303	1,344	5,782	6,122	9,691	10,379
DE	757	862	3,597	3,421	3,889	5,205
GA	987	1,047	10,298	12,073	6,902	6,484
MS	640	696	1,929	2,269	2,761	2,566
MO	501	542	1,699	1,731	8,067	8,983
NC	988	1,131	9,409	9,924	6,662	6,769
TX	335	381	4,110	4,440	6,514	7,107
VA	514	560	2,083	1,636	3,591	3,687
US ¹	11,748	12,579	60,978	66,470	103,653	109,262
State	Overscald		Other		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>	<i>Number of Head</i>
AL	3,979	5,952	90,350	91,794	199,036	207,367
AR	3,090	2,608	137,969	111,246	283,154	262,449
DE	1,053	947	17,526	30,605	101,664	119,086
GA	2,011	2,712	56,681	53,212	197,400	189,270
MS	379	328	47,495	60,646	94,701	107,312
MO	242	57	71,109	88,802	171,311	200,853
NC	8,318	7,860	73,193	67,353	222,957	222,380
TX	850	1,371	34,701	33,761	100,119	98,715
VA	1,192	1,128	36,122	64,106	81,216	114,668
US ¹	27,146	31,121	776,016	819,351	2,142,816	2,218,102

¹ Published States do not add to US total to avoid disclosure.

**Young Turkeys Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average
Live Weight, by State and United States, May 2009-June 2009**

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						
AK						
AZ						
AR	2,561	2,687	49,488	51,262	19.32	19.07
CA	962	1,069	27,858	29,032	28.97	27.15
CO						
CT						
DE						
FL						
GA						
HI						
ID						
IL						
IN	1,362	1,484	50,211	55,026	36.87	37.07
IA	837	917	33,555	36,560	40.08	39.86
KS						
KY						
LA						
ME						
MD						
MA						
MI						
MN	3,675	4,335	92,872	106,601	25.27	24.59
MS						
MO						
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ						
NM						
NY						
NC	2,619	2,913	79,235	87,413	30.26	30.01
ND						
OH	377	403	16,189	16,951	42.97	42.09
OK						
OR						
PA						
RI						
SC						
SD	371	420	15,547	17,836	41.90	42.45
TN						
TX						
UT	348	396	7,863	8,224	22.59	20.75
VT						
VA						
WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
US ¹	19,450	21,531	560,711	613,835	28.83	28.51

¹ States with no data printed are included in the US total. Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations or no active slaughter facility exists in the State.

**Young Turkeys Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem
Condemnations, by State and United States, May 2009-June 2009**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			Carcass and Parts		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						
AK						
AZ						
AR	41,785	42,833	599	596	1.41	1.37
CA	22,887	23,669	261	230	1.13	0.96
CO						
CT						
DE						
FL						
GA						
HI						
ID						
IL						
IN	40,289	44,036	742	788	1.81	1.76
IA	26,558	28,817	544	549	2.01	1.87
KS						
KY						
LA						
ME						
MD						
MA						
MI						
MN	74,364	85,516	1,275	1,423	1.69	1.64
MS						
MO						
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ						
NM						
NY						
NC	63,024	69,626	526	543	0.83	0.77
ND						
OH	12,853	13,525	361	367	2.73	2.64
OK						
OR						
PA						
RI						
SC						
SD	12,583	14,445	137	147	1.08	1.01
TN						
TX						
UT	6,396	6,784	115	74	1.76	1.08
VT						
VA						
WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
US ³	448,772	490,669	6,859	7,120	1.51	1.43

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

³ States with no data printed are included in the US total. Data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations or no active slaughter facility exists in the State.

Terms and Definitions Used for Poultry Slaughter Estimates:

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.

Mature Chickens - Fowl from breeder and market egg flocks and stags and cocks.

Old Turkeys - Fully matured birds held for egg production, usually over 15 months of age.

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 - Young birds grown to a matured market age, about 5 months and other turkeys such as fryers/roasters and young breeders.

Reliability of 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 2008. Young chickens were slaughtered in 34 States, young turkeys in 26 States.

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Poultry slaughter estimates are based on a census of operating plants and, therefore, have no sampling error. However, they may be subject to errors such as omissions, duplications, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. These errors are minimized through strict quality controls in the edit and summarization process, and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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