



# Poultry Slaughter

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

**Poultry certified wholesome** during July 2011 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.51 billion pounds, down 2 percent from the amount certified in July 2010. The June 2011 revised certified total at 3.86 billion pounds, was up 5 percent from June 2010. The June revision represented an increase of 1.47 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

**The preliminary total live weight** of all federally inspected poultry during July 2011 was 4.66 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 4.75 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.01 billion pounds, down 2 percent from July 2010. Mature chickens, at 72.9 million pounds, were up 2 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 563 million pounds, down 3 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 11.9 million pounds, down 9 percent from last year.

**Young chickens slaughtered** during July 2011 averaged 5.76 pounds per bird, up 3 percent from July 2010. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.00 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during July 2011 averaged 29.1 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from July 2010.

**Ante-mortem condemnations** during July 2011 totaled 11.3 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.24 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.30 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 32.8 million pounds, were 0.93 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.91 percent a year earlier.

**July 2010** contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

**July 2011** contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

## Number Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2011 as % of		January to July		2011 as percent of 2010
				July 2010	June 2011	2010	2011	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
<b>Number slaughtered</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	730,328	752,135	696,209	95	93	4,968,565	5,016,655	101
Mature .....	12,119	13,109	12,155	100	93	82,392	85,177	103
Light .....	5,417	5,298	4,997	92	94	41,185	40,729	99
Heavy .....	6,702	7,811	7,158	107	92	41,207	44,448	108
Total .....	742,447	765,244	708,364	95	93	5,050,957	5,101,832	101
Turkeys								
Young .....	20,266	22,061	19,247	95	87	134,201	138,364	103
Old .....	137	142	122	89	86	782	814	104
Total .....	20,403	22,203	19,369	95	87	134,983	139,178	103
Ducks .....	1,943	2,057	1,758	90	85	13,349	13,898	104
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Total live weight</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	4,082,633	4,367,997	4,009,704	98	92	28,043,465	29,026,578	104
Mature .....	71,670	79,040	72,936	102	92	458,526	486,677	106
Light .....	17,475	17,107	16,211	93	95	132,748	130,747	98
Heavy .....	54,195	61,933	56,725	105	92	325,778	355,930	109
Total .....	4,154,303	4,447,037	4,082,640	98	92	28,501,991	29,513,255	104
Turkeys								
Young .....	578,941	646,388	559,828	97	87	3,968,975	4,144,004	104
Old .....	3,842	3,830	3,198	83	83	20,825	21,626	104
Total .....	582,783	650,218	563,026	97	87	3,989,800	4,165,630	104
Ducks .....	13,005	14,007	11,871	91	85	90,984	94,995	104
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	209	219	180	86	82	1,153	1,171	102
Total .....	4,750,300	5,111,481	4,657,717	98	91	32,583,928	33,775,051	104
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
<b>Average live weight</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	5.59	5.81	5.76	103	99	5.64	5.79	103
Mature .....	5.91	6.03	6.00	102	100	5.57	5.71	103
Light .....	3.23	3.23	3.24	100	100	3.22	3.21	100
Heavy .....	8.09	7.93	7.92	98	100	7.91	8.01	101
Total .....	5.60	5.81	5.76	103	99	5.64	5.78	102
Turkeys								
Young .....	28.57	29.30	29.09	102	99	29.57	29.95	101
Old .....	28.04	26.97	26.21	93	97	26.63	26.57	100
Total .....	28.56	29.29	29.07	102	99	29.56	29.93	101
Ducks .....	6.69	6.81	6.75	101	99	6.82	6.84	100

<sup>1</sup> Includes geese, guineas, ostriches, emus, rheas, and squab.

## Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type – United States

[Ready-to-cook weights]

Commodity	July 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2011 as % of		January to July		2011 as percent of 2010
				July 2010	June 2011	2010	2011	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Chilled</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	2,789,381	2,986,816	2,731,255	98	91	19,114,143	19,882,736	104
Mature .....	44,927	48,512	45,716	102	94	284,206	298,124	105
Light .....	9,271	9,196	8,442	91	92	69,944	69,771	100
Heavy .....	35,656	39,316	37,274	105	95	214,262	228,353	107
Total .....	2,834,308	3,035,328	2,776,971	98	91	19,398,349	20,180,860	104
Turkeys								
Young .....	277,652	313,913	275,496	99	88	1,969,556	2,078,761	106
Old .....	2,824	2,794	2,092	74	75	15,385	15,792	103
Total .....	280,476	316,707	277,588	99	88	1,984,941	2,094,553	106
Ducks .....	3,347	3,278	2,850	85	87	24,193	23,680	98
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	102	156	118	116	76	593	728	123
Total .....	3,118,233	3,355,469	3,057,527	98	91	21,408,076	22,299,821	104
<b>Frozen</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	268,328	296,376	280,646	105	95	1,874,274	1,921,649	103
Mature .....	22	777	504	2,291	65	1,331	1,733	130
Light .....	-	17	347	(X)	2,041	225	669	297
Heavy .....	22	760	157	714	21	1,106	1,064	96
Total .....	268,350	297,153	281,150	105	95	1,875,605	1,923,382	103
Turkeys								
Young .....	186,238	202,428	170,179	91	84	1,204,197	1,225,730	102
Old .....	139	154	326	235	212	618	835	135
Total .....	186,377	202,582	170,505	91	84	1,204,815	1,226,565	102
Ducks .....	6,069	6,820	5,662	93	83	41,199	44,693	108
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	30	4	7	23	175	183	91	50
Total .....	460,826	506,559	457,324	99	90	3,121,802	3,194,731	102
<b>Chilled and frozen</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	3,057,709	3,283,192	3,011,901	99	92	20,988,417	21,804,385	104
Mature .....	44,949	49,289	46,220	103	94	285,537	299,857	105
Light .....	9,271	9,213	8,789	95	95	70,169	70,440	100
Heavy .....	35,678	40,076	37,431	105	93	215,368	229,417	107
Total .....	3,102,658	3,332,481	3,058,121	99	92	21,273,954	22,104,242	104
Turkeys								
Young .....	463,890	516,341	445,675	96	86	3,173,753	3,304,491	104
Old .....	2,963	2,948	2,418	82	82	16,003	16,627	104
Total .....	466,853	519,289	448,093	96	86	3,189,756	3,321,118	104
Ducks .....	9,416	10,098	8,512	90	84	65,392	68,373	105
Other <sup>1</sup> .....	132	160	125	95	78	776	819	106
Total .....	3,579,059	3,862,028	3,514,851	98	91	24,529,878	25,494,552	104

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

## Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2011 as % of		January to July		2011 as percent of 2010
				July 2010	June 2011	2010	2011	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Live weight</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	10,771	9,187	8,946	83	97	66,451	62,316	94
Mature .....	1,753	683	664	38	97	7,896	5,820	74
Light .....	426	254	222	52	87	2,083	1,679	81
Heavy .....	1,327	429	442	33	103	5,813	4,141	71
Total .....	12,524	9,870	9,610	77	97	74,347	68,136	92
Turkeys .....								
Young .....	1,517	1,580	1,597	105	101	9,927	10,729	108
Old .....	58	23	49	84	213	245	204	83
Total .....	1,575	1,603	1,646	105	103	10,172	10,933	107
Ducks .....	70	54	70	100	130	312	354	113
Total .....	14,169	11,527	11,326	80	98	84,831	79,423	94
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Percent of live weight condemned <sup>1</sup></b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	0.26	0.21	0.22	85	105	0.24	0.21	88
Mature .....	2.45	0.86	0.91	37	106	1.72	1.20	70
Light .....	2.44	1.48	1.37	56	93	1.57	1.28	82
Heavy .....	2.45	0.69	0.78	32	113	1.78	1.16	65
Total .....	0.30	0.22	0.24	80	109	0.26	0.23	88
Turkeys								
Young .....	0.26	0.24	0.29	112	121	0.25	0.26	104
Old .....	1.51	0.60	1.53	101	255	1.18	0.94	80
Total .....	0.27	0.25	0.29	107	116	0.25	0.26	104
Ducks .....	0.54	0.39	0.59	109	151	0.34	0.37	109
Total .....	0.30	0.23	0.24	80	104	0.26	0.24	92

<sup>1</sup> Pounds condemned as a percent of live weight pounds inspected.

## Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2011 as % of		January to July		2011 as percent of 2010
				July 2010	June 2011	2010	2011	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
<b>Carcass and parts</b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	22,833	25,393	23,225	102	91	169,316	182,496	108
Mature .....	2,931	3,060	2,767	94	90	22,420	20,322	91
Light .....	1,048	864	863	82	100	9,540	7,199	75
Heavy .....	1,883	2,196	1,904	101	87	12,880	13,123	102
Total .....	25,764	28,453	25,992	101	91	191,736	202,818	106
Turkeys								
Young .....	6,639	7,396	6,538	98	88	46,219	49,273	107
Old .....	119	106	106	89	100	794	714	90
Total .....	6,758	7,502	6,644	98	89	47,013	49,987	106
Ducks .....	249	282	191	77	68	1,751	1,810	103
Other .....	1	1	1	100	100	8	7	88
Total .....	32,772	36,238	32,828	100	91	240,508	254,622	106
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
<b>Percent of weight condemned <sup>1</sup></b>								
Chickens								
Young .....	0.74	0.77	0.77	104	100	0.80	0.83	104
Mature .....	6.12	5.85	5.65	92	97	7.28	6.35	87
Light .....	10.16	8.57	8.94	88	104	11.97	9.27	77
Heavy .....	5.01	5.19	4.84	97	93	5.64	5.41	96
Total .....	0.82	0.85	0.84	102	99	0.89	0.91	102
Turkeys								
Young .....	1.41	1.41	1.45	103	103	1.44	1.47	102
Old .....	3.86	3.47	4.20	109	121	4.73	4.12	87
Total .....	1.43	1.42	1.46	102	103	1.45	1.48	102
Ducks .....	2.58	2.72	2.19	85	81	2.61	2.58	99
Other .....	0.75	0.62	0.79	105	127	1.02	0.85	83
Total .....	0.91	0.93	0.93	102	100	0.97	0.99	102

<sup>1</sup> Pounds condemned as a percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

## Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type – United States: June and July 2011

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
<b>Chickens</b>						
Young .....	-	-	7,174	4,610	726,697	680,504
Mature .....	-	-	1,839	725	104,238	124,773
Light .....	-	-	1,641	534	57,957	85,539
Heavy .....	-	-	198	191	46,281	39,234
Total .....	-	-	9,013	5,335	830,935	805,277
<b>Turkeys</b>						
Young .....	-	-	17	38	35,196	30,196
Old .....	-	-	-	-	1,637	1,036
Total .....	-	-	17	38	36,833	31,232
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
<b>Chickens</b>						
Young .....	276,741	210,142	4,123	4,154	28,921	25,152
Mature .....	8,673	6,759	467	233	29,514	34,485
Light .....	4,959	3,383	194	66	21,181	27,479
Heavy .....	3,714	3,376	273	167	8,333	7,006
Total .....	285,414	216,901	4,590	4,387	58,435	59,637
<b>Turkeys</b>						
Young .....	3,151	3,275	1,093	1,183	86	117
Old .....	77	61	3	-	136	101
Total .....	3,228	3,336	1,096	1,183	222	218
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
<b>Chickens</b>						
Young .....	11,836	11,011	63,852	65,626	93,855	92,505
Mature .....	12,435	10,499	2,525	2,643	73,654	58,597
Light .....	11,754	9,966	1,800	1,661	57,911	45,192
Heavy .....	681	533	725	982	15,743	13,405
Total .....	24,271	21,510	66,377	68,269	167,509	151,102
<b>Turkeys</b>						
Young .....	193	254	1,632	1,573	1,577	1,385
Old .....	4	-	39	12	42	21
Total .....	197	254	1,671	1,585	1,619	1,406
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous <sup>1</sup>		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
<b>Chickens</b>						
Young .....	22,264	16,323	792,913	731,971	2,028,376	1,841,998
Mature .....	883	599	187,202	150,731	421,430	390,044
Light .....	130	42	44,029	42,925	201,556	216,787
Heavy .....	753	557	143,173	107,806	219,874	173,257
Total .....	23,147	16,922	980,115	882,702	2,449,806	2,232,042
<b>Turkeys</b>						
Young .....	503	689	13,646	13,089	57,094	51,799
Old .....	9	-	334	241	2,281	1,472
Total .....	512	689	13,980	13,330	59,375	53,271

- Represents zero.

<sup>1</sup> Includes any portion of the carcass affected by an inflammatory process, plant-rejected carcasses, missing viscera, or ascites fluid preventing proper inspection of the carcass.

## Young Chickens, Number Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: June and July 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama .....	89,440	83,439	503,853	469,857	5.63	5.63
Alaska .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas .....	82,690	78,227	468,457	438,467	5.67	5.61
California .....	23,532	21,723	136,102	124,283	5.78	5.72
Colorado .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware .....	26,662	23,977	187,365	167,146	7.03	6.97
Florida .....	5,282	4,847	33,088	29,607	6.26	6.11
Georgia .....	109,684	100,944	599,559	546,145	5.47	5.41
Hawaii .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	5,339	4,574	23,393	19,976	4.38	4.37
Iowa .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky .....	24,410	24,579	139,745	132,549	5.72	5.39
Louisiana .....	15,511	14,922	97,420	90,950	6.28	6.09
Maine .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland .....	11,951	9,909	63,797	53,470	5.34	5.40
Massachusetts .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	4,123	3,549	23,795	20,038	5.77	5.65
Mississippi .....	65,257	61,873	382,561	377,992	5.86	6.11
Missouri .....	38,461	35,705	188,488	173,989	4.90	4.87
Montana .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey .....	137	131	672	622	4.89	4.73
New Mexico .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York .....	1,643	1,587	8,478	8,169	5.16	5.15
North Carolina .....	63,745	60,826	458,160	431,853	7.19	7.10
North Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio .....	4,788	4,360	29,232	26,621	6.11	6.11
Oklahoma .....	9,960	8,764	74,751	62,995	7.50	7.19
Oregon .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania .....	11,148	10,819	61,351	60,043	5.50	5.55
Rhode Island .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina .....	24,524	18,881	165,031	120,710	6.73	6.39
South Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tennessee .....	26,784	24,374	140,716	125,751	5.25	5.16
Texas .....	58,107	52,943	333,091	302,419	5.73	5.71
Utah .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia .....	27,590	25,772	149,633	137,197	5.42	5.32
Washington .....	4,506	4,354	27,024	25,005	6.00	5.74
West Virginia .....	10,283	9,385	41,425	37,429	4.03	3.99
Wisconsin .....	4,551	3,990	19,289	16,680	4.24	4.18
Wyoming .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States .....	752,135	696,209	4,367,997	4,009,704	5.81	5.76

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

# Young Chickens, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: June and July 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Total chilled and frozen pounds certified <sup>1</sup>		Post-mortem condemnations			
			Carcass and parts		Percent <sup>2</sup>	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	380,398	355,821	2,865	2,845	0.75	0.79
Alaska .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas .....	346,861	329,367	2,952	2,622	0.84	0.79
California .....	101,040	92,284	862	693	0.85	0.75
Colorado .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware .....	135,325	120,496	1,472	1,197	1.08	0.98
Florida .....	23,104	22,118	131	141	0.56	0.63
Georgia .....	455,595	414,094	2,928	2,679	0.64	0.64
Hawaii .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	17,201	14,698	75	49	0.43	0.33
Iowa .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky .....	100,874	96,801	426	471	0.42	0.48
Louisiana .....	72,003	67,601	330	336	0.46	0.49
Maine .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland .....	46,062	38,523	548	476	1.18	1.22
Massachusetts .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	19,229	16,396	248	204	1.27	1.23
Mississippi .....	299,529	295,379	1,945	1,819	0.65	0.61
Missouri .....	138,893	128,016	971	1,252	0.69	0.97
Montana .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey .....	496	453	7	8	1.34	1.67
New Mexico .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York .....	5,137	4,969	139	138	2.63	2.71
North Carolina .....	360,902	334,568	3,776	3,437	1.04	1.02
North Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio .....	21,597	19,790	297	241	1.36	1.20
Oklahoma .....	55,783	46,769	529	395	0.94	0.84
Oregon .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania .....	42,172	41,232	660	655	1.54	1.56
Rhode Island .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina .....	123,762	91,708	791	596	0.64	0.65
South Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Tennessee .....	102,118	91,254	735	651	0.71	0.71
Texas .....	257,848	228,452	1,368	1,240	0.53	0.54
Utah .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia .....	105,044	96,362	757	565	0.72	0.58
Washington .....	20,117	18,682	120	98	0.59	0.52
West Virginia .....	29,772	26,937	94	77	0.31	0.28
Wisconsin .....	14,102	12,182	110	112	0.77	0.91
Wyoming .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States .....	3,283,192	3,011,901	25,393	23,225	0.77	0.77

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Ready-to-cook weights.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.



## Young Chickens, Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause – States and United States: June and July 2011

[Published States do not add to United States total to avoid disclosure]

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama .....	-	-	225	210	66,237	64,700
Arkansas .....	-	-	326	371	86,318	82,187
Delaware .....	-	-	467	409	38,438	30,721
Georgia .....	-	-	116	42	52,099	50,983
Mississippi .....	-	-	169	154	29,995	29,415
Missouri .....	-	-	68	94	56,219	57,260
North Carolina .....	-	-	2,733	1,109	87,230	86,063
Texas .....	-	-	58	72	45,892	42,192
Virginia .....	-	-	59	36	19,931	18,203
United States .....	-	-	7,174	4,610	726,697	680,504

  

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama .....	29,009	24,270	289	363	1,598	1,607
Arkansas .....	32,613	18,352	1,680	1,689	1,337	1,492
Delaware .....	23,596	15,726	52	41	2,780	2,209
Georgia .....	28,380	21,716	105	113	3,398	3,120
Mississippi .....	7,718	7,525	242	135	371	395
Missouri .....	12,584	15,086	187	172	1,288	1,018
North Carolina .....	28,026	28,177	210	217	6,755	5,609
Texas .....	10,891	9,127	108	309	799	800
Virginia .....	22,090	12,930	15	10	1,418	1,214
United States .....	276,741	210,142	4,123	4,154	28,921	25,152

  

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama .....	1,122	1,119	5,183	4,816	12,848	12,583
Arkansas .....	1,274	1,081	5,934	7,130	6,573	6,956
Delaware .....	1,473	1,485	2,306	2,538	3,637	3,450
Georgia .....	729	600	11,491	11,156	7,656	6,895
Mississippi .....	724	723	2,749	2,861	3,664	3,679
Missouri .....	382	442	2,638	2,783	6,948	7,043
North Carolina .....	1,344	1,174	12,017	13,007	6,954	8,063
Texas .....	712	700	4,400	4,587	4,681	4,936
Virginia .....	532	527	944	874	2,670	2,090
United States .....	11,836	11,011	63,852	65,626	93,855	92,505

  

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous <sup>1</sup>		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama .....	1,971	2,624	101,219	95,959	219,701	208,251
Arkansas .....	822	801	119,801	93,769	256,678	213,828
Delaware .....	2,962	1,419	42,898	26,383	118,609	84,381
Georgia .....	2,592	809	99,903	98,585	206,469	194,019
Mississippi .....	116	437	44,713	46,073	90,461	91,397
Missouri .....	349	498	39,899	59,402	120,562	143,798
North Carolina .....	6,451	3,353	62,375	61,406	214,095	208,178
Texas .....	795	772	16,571	21,814	84,907	85,309
Virginia .....	731	292	52,559	33,223	100,949	69,399
United States .....	22,264	16,323	792,913	731,971	2,028,376	1,841,998

- Represents zero.

<sup>1</sup> Includes any portion of the carcass affected by an inflammatory process, plant-rejected carcasses, missing viscera, or ascites fluid preventing proper inspection of the carcass.

## Young Turkeys, Number Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: June and July 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas .....	3,077	2,372	59,955	45,945	19.48	19.37
California .....	1,159	1,112	35,827	31,864	30.92	28.65
Colorado .....	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Connecticut .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	1,534	1,380	57,445	49,432	37.44	35.83
Iowa .....	1,120	1,098	45,519	44,097	40.64	40.15
Kansas .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	4,638	4,008	112,551	95,883	24.27	23.92
Mississippi .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Montana .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Mexico .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	2,498	2,232	81,904	71,870	32.79	32.20
North Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio .....	483	415	20,368	17,207	42.15	41.44
Oklahoma .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania .....	557	371	12,530	9,388	22.48	25.27
Rhode Island .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas .....	561	480	8,091	6,606	14.42	13.76
Utah .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia .....	2,400	2,126	63,345	55,423	26.40	26.07
Washington .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States .....	22,061	19,247	646,388	559,828	29.30	29.09

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# Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: June and July 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Total chilled and frozen pounds certified <sup>1</sup>		Post-mortem condemnations			
			Carcass and parts		Percent <sup>2</sup>	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Alaska .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas .....	49,718	37,900	372	331	0.74	0.87
California .....	29,093	25,776	317	230	1.08	0.89
Colorado .....	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Connecticut .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Georgia .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Hawaii .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana .....	46,296	39,703	933	766	1.98	1.89
Iowa .....	35,792	34,573	626	647	1.72	1.84
Kansas .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Massachusetts .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota .....	90,028	76,667	1,458	1,320	1.59	1.69
Mississippi .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Montana .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Mexico .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	64,595	56,148	506	505	0.78	0.89
North Dakota .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio .....	16,162	13,654	288	251	1.75	1.81
Oklahoma .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania .....	9,874	7,388	194	139	1.93	1.85
Rhode Island .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Texas .....	6,608	5,358	40	54	0.61	1.00
Utah .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Virginia .....	49,802	43,555	582	515	1.16	1.17
Washington .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming .....	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States .....	516,341	445,675	7,396	6,538	1.41	1.45

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Ready-to-cook weights.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

## Terms and Definitions Used for Poultry Slaughter Estimates

**Ante-Mortem Condemnations:** Birds condemned prior to their entry into the slaughter plant.

**Average Live Weight:** The weight of the whole bird, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

**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.

**Dressing Percent:** Usually expressed as a percentage yield of frozen and chilled carcass in relation to the weight of the live bird.

**Ducks:** Includes all ducks regardless of age and weight.

**Federally Inspected (FI) Plants:** Plants that transport meat interstate must employ federal inspectors to assure compliance with USDA standards.

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

**Number of Head:** Includes post-mortem condemnations.

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

**Plant, Slaughter:** An establishment where birds are killed and butchered.

**Post-Mortem Condemnations:** Carcasses or parts condemned by the inspector because of disease or mishandling and removed from the slaughter line and destroyed.

**Slaughter:** Killing and butchering of birds primarily for food.

**Total Live Weight:** The total weight of live birds, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

**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.

## Statistical Methodology

**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 United States 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 310 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2010. Young chickens were slaughtered in 38 States, young turkeys in 26 States.

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