



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Down 4 Percent from Last Year

Poultry certified wholesome during June 2013 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.53 billion pounds, down 4 percent from the amount certified in June 2012. The May 2013 revised certified total at 3.83 billion pounds, was down 1 percent from May 2012. The May revision represented a decrease of 875 thousand pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during June 2013 was 4.67 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 4.86 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.00 billion pounds, down 3 percent from June 2012. Mature chickens, at 66.5 million pounds, were down 12 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 592 million pounds, down 7 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 12.6 million pounds, down 5 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2013 averaged 5.89 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from June 2012. The average live weight of mature chickens was 5.81 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2013 averaged 30.1 pounds per bird, up slightly from June 2012.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2013 totaled 9.66 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.21 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.22 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 31.4 million pounds, were 0.88 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.89 percent a year earlier.

June 2012 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

June 2013 contained 20 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2012	May 2013	June 2013	June 2013 as % of		January to June		2013 as percent of 2012
				June 2012	May 2013	2012	2013	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Number slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	706,126	743,372	679,027	96	91	4,219,249	4,207,082	100
Mature	13,236	13,317	11,451	87	86	76,584	74,969	98
Light	6,254	7,213	5,401	86	75	41,807	41,248	99
Heavy	6,982	6,104	6,050	87	99	34,777	33,721	97
Total	719,362	756,689	690,478	96	91	4,295,833	4,282,051	100
Turkeys								
Young	20,985	20,721	19,549	93	94	120,954	118,612	98
Old	127	108	97	76	90	742	703	95
Total	21,112	20,829	19,646	93	94	121,696	119,315	98
Ducks	1,962	2,014	1,825	93	91	12,185	12,097	99
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,135,595	4,366,772	3,999,900	97	92	24,615,727	24,799,666	101
Mature	75,860	72,233	66,523	88	92	408,802	404,709	99
Light	20,702	23,343	17,616	85	75	134,654	133,618	99
Heavy	55,158	48,890	48,907	89	100	274,148	271,091	99
Total	4,211,455	4,439,005	4,066,423	97	92	25,024,529	25,204,375	101
Turkeys								
Young	630,893	633,530	589,302	93	93	3,677,710	3,666,736	100
Old	3,334	2,918	2,514	75	86	19,460	18,907	97
Total	634,227	636,448	591,816	93	93	3,697,170	3,685,643	100
Ducks	13,255	13,860	12,606	95	91	82,821	82,788	100
Other ¹	279	185	214	77	116	1,155	1,052	91
Total	4,859,216	5,089,498	4,671,059	96	92	28,805,675	28,973,858	101
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5.86	5.87	5.89	101	100	5.83	5.89	101
Mature	5.73	5.42	5.81	101	107	5.34	5.40	101
Light	3.31	3.24	3.26	98	101	3.22	3.24	101
Heavy	7.90	8.01	8.08	102	101	7.88	8.04	102
Total	5.85	5.87	5.89	101	100	5.83	5.89	101
Turkeys								
Young	30.06	30.57	30.14	100	99	30.41	30.91	102
Old	26.25	27.02	25.92	99	96	26.23	26.89	103
Total	30.04	30.56	30.12	100	99	30.38	30.89	102
Ducks	6.76	6.88	6.91	102	100	6.80	6.84	101

¹ Includes geese, guineas, ostriches, emus, rheas, and squab.

Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type – United States

[Ready-to-cook weights]

Commodity	June 2012	May 2013	June 2013	June 2013 as % of		January to June		2013 as percent of 2012
				June 2012	May 2013	2012	2013	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	2,834,059	2,990,053	2,746,468	97	92	16,777,491	16,937,164	101
Mature	49,100	46,102	42,859	87	93	260,246	258,248	99
Light	11,036	12,677	9,592	87	76	71,791	74,120	103
Heavy	38,064	33,425	33,267	87	100	188,455	184,128	98
Total	2,883,159	3,036,155	2,789,327	97	92	17,037,737	17,195,412	101
Turkeys								
Young	299,813	300,517	279,547	93	93	1,790,633	1,784,803	100
Old	2,450	2,011	1,665	68	83	14,372	13,070	91
Total	302,263	302,528	281,212	93	93	1,805,005	1,797,873	100
Ducks	3,351	3,838	3,273	98	85	22,110	22,607	102
Other ¹	185	122	141	76	116	770	693	90
Total	3,188,958	3,342,643	3,073,953	96	92	18,865,622	19,016,585	101
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	271,215	280,007	255,001	94	91	1,692,612	1,671,750	99
Mature	83	83	9	11	11	368	113	31
Light	38	1	-	(X)	(X)	323	10	3
Heavy	45	82	9	20	11	45	103	229
Total	271,298	280,090	255,010	94	91	1,692,980	1,671,863	99
Turkeys								
Young	204,270	205,263	191,582	94	93	1,144,777	1,145,356	100
Old	112	227	242	216	107	421	1,308	311
Total	204,382	205,490	191,824	94	93	1,145,198	1,146,664	100
Ducks	6,229	6,118	5,850	94	96	37,947	37,278	98
Other ¹	8	8	8	100	100	42	45	107
Total	481,917	491,706	452,692	94	92	2,876,167	2,855,850	99
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,105,274	3,270,060	3,001,469	97	92	18,470,103	18,608,914	101
Mature	49,183	46,185	42,868	87	93	260,614	258,361	99
Light	11,074	12,678	9,592	87	76	72,114	74,130	103
Heavy	38,109	33,507	33,276	87	99	188,500	184,231	98
Total	3,154,457	3,316,245	3,044,337	97	92	18,730,717	18,867,275	101
Turkeys								
Young	504,083	505,780	471,129	93	93	2,935,410	2,930,159	100
Old	2,562	2,238	1,907	74	85	14,793	14,378	97
Total	506,645	508,018	473,036	93	93	2,950,203	2,944,537	100
Ducks	9,580	9,956	9,123	95	92	60,057	59,885	100
Other ¹	193	130	149	77	115	812	738	91
Total	3,670,875	3,834,349	3,526,645	96	92	21,741,789	21,872,435	101

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2012	May 2013	June 2013	June 2013 as % of		January to June		2013 as percent of 2012
				June 2012	May 2013	2012	2013	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	8,303	7,994	7,611	92	95	46,926	48,667	104
Mature	963	664	623	65	94	4,650	3,972	85
Light	351	261	259	74	99	2,012	1,688	84
Heavy	612	403	364	59	90	2,638	2,284	87
Total	9,266	8,658	8,234	89	95	51,576	52,639	102
Turkeys								
Young	1,546	1,288	1,345	87	104	8,361	8,591	103
Old	48	21	27	56	129	189	202	107
Total	1,594	1,309	1,372	86	105	8,550	8,793	103
Ducks	51	50	50	98	100	206	254	123
Total	10,912	10,017	9,657	88	96	60,334	61,688	102
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.20	0.18	0.19	95	106	0.19	0.20	105
Mature	1.27	0.92	0.94	74	102	1.14	0.98	86
Light	1.70	1.12	1.47	86	131	1.49	1.26	85
Heavy	1.11	0.82	0.74	67	90	0.96	0.84	88
Total	0.22	0.20	0.20	91	100	0.21	0.21	100
Turkeys								
Young	0.25	0.20	0.23	92	115	0.23	0.23	100
Old	1.44	0.72	1.07	74	149	0.97	1.07	110
Total	0.25	0.21	0.23	92	110	0.23	0.24	104
Ducks	0.38	0.36	0.40	105	111	0.25	0.31	124
Total	0.22	0.20	0.21	95	105	0.21	0.21	100

¹ Pounds condemned as a percent of live weight pounds inspected.

Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2012	May 2013	June 2013	June 2013 as % of		January to June		2013 as percent of 2012
				June 2012	May 2013	2012	2013	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	23,989	26,804	22,549	94	84	152,352	163,546	107
Mature	2,287	2,412	1,870	82	78	13,282	11,964	90
Light	1,014	1,092	694	68	64	6,583	5,495	83
Heavy	1,273	1,320	1,176	92	89	6,699	6,469	97
Total	26,276	29,216	24,419	93	84	165,634	175,510	106
Turkeys								
Young	6,419	7,120	6,600	103	93	38,413	40,919	107
Old	121	148	122	101	82	605	826	137
Total	6,540	7,268	6,722	103	92	39,018	41,745	107
Ducks	242	313	259	107	83	1,543	1,610	104
Other	2	1	2	100	200	9	7	78
Total	33,060	36,798	31,402	95	85	206,204	218,872	106
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.77	0.81	0.75	97	93	0.82	0.87	106
Mature	4.44	4.96	4.18	94	84	4.85	4.43	91
Light	8.39	7.93	6.75	80	85	8.36	6.90	83
Heavy	3.23	3.79	3.41	106	90	3.43	3.39	99
Total	0.83	0.87	0.80	96	92	0.88	0.92	105
Turkeys								
Young	1.26	1.39	1.38	110	99	1.29	1.38	107
Old	4.51	6.20	6.01	133	97	3.93	5.43	138
Total	1.27	1.41	1.40	110	99	1.31	1.40	107
Ducks	2.46	3.05	2.76	112	90	2.50	2.62	105
Other	1.03	0.76	1.32	128	174	1.10	0.94	85
Total	0.89	0.95	0.88	99	93	0.94	0.99	105

¹ Pounds condemned as a percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type – United States: May and June 2013

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	10,103	10,957	824,883	726,784
Mature	-	-	725	418	157,180	86,271
Light	-	-	641	358	115,742	52,345
Heavy	-	-	84	60	41,438	33,926
Total	-	-	10,828	11,375	982,063	813,055
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	41	51	35,251	31,063
Old	-	-	2	1	683	762
Total	-	-	43	52	35,934	31,825
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	450,903	299,993	4,024	3,713	27,241	22,716
Mature	22,019	17,549	246	167	43,248	23,263
Light	9,281	5,161	160	89	36,472	17,107
Heavy	12,738	12,388	86	78	6,776	6,156
Total	472,922	317,542	4,270	3,880	70,489	45,979
Turkeys						
Young	4,309	3,357	1,421	791	106	101
Old	1,021	1,069	16	20	112	67
Total	5,330	4,426	1,437	811	218	168
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	11,005	9,947	54,181	47,849	95,222	87,592
Mature	16,761	14,267	1,857	1,877	77,781	62,918
Light	16,248	14,015	1,212	1,096	73,388	58,944
Heavy	513	252	645	781	4,393	3,974
Total	27,766	24,214	56,038	49,726	173,003	150,510
Turkeys						
Young	178	113	1,863	1,867	1,934	1,315
Old	4	1	8	12	10	55
Total	182	114	1,871	1,879	1,944	1,370
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	16,419	13,508	802,290	666,732	2,296,271	1,889,791
Mature	862	428	109,332	105,667	430,011	312,825
Light	275	91	54,748	37,025	308,167	186,231
Heavy	587	337	54,584	68,642	121,844	126,594
Total	17,281	13,936	911,622	772,399	2,726,282	2,202,616
Turkeys						
Young	901	581	14,975	14,618	60,979	53,857
Old	3	-	926	119	2,785	2,106
Total	904	581	15,901	14,737	63,764	55,963

- Represents zero.

¹ 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: May and June 2013

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	87,372	79,608	490,668	450,062	5.62	5.65
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	76,307	70,171	448,306	413,887	5.88	5.90
California	22,652	21,961	131,263	132,375	5.79	6.03
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	27,931	25,852	195,493	182,907	7.00	7.08
Florida	5,451	4,836	33,462	28,694	6.14	5.93
Georgia	106,724	97,399	603,142	546,703	5.65	5.61
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	5,107	4,898	22,228	20,840	4.35	4.26
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	26,283	24,345	140,037	133,473	5.33	5.48
Louisiana	16,583	15,480	98,719	90,873	5.95	5.87
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	12,067	11,441	63,565	62,345	5.27	5.45
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,112	3,944	24,999	23,419	6.08	5.94
Mississippi	62,553	56,640	379,279	343,478	6.06	6.06
Missouri	38,426	34,967	182,868	165,280	4.76	4.73
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	123	116	577	556	4.70	4.80
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	1,806	1,752	9,063	8,868	5.02	5.06
North Carolina	64,927	59,553	490,576	448,997	7.56	7.54
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	5,983	6,026	34,183	35,219	5.71	5.84
Oklahoma	11,537	10,807	75,378	71,930	6.53	6.66
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	11,209	10,418	62,974	57,839	5.62	5.55
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	23,774	22,155	166,609	152,167	7.01	6.87
South Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	26,668	23,954	138,145	122,713	5.18	5.12
Texas	56,004	47,520	321,914	277,827	5.75	5.85
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	28,594	25,658	153,834	137,988	5.38	5.38
Washington	4,572	4,461	28,175	27,168	6.16	6.09
West Virginia	10,119	8,725	40,296	34,305	3.98	3.93
Wisconsin	4,439	4,425	18,331	18,138	4.13	4.10
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	743,372	679,027	4,366,772	3,999,900	5.87	5.89

- Represents zero.

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

Young Chickens, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: May and June 2013

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Total chilled and frozen pounds certified ¹		Post-mortem condemnations			
			Carcass and parts		Percent ²	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	371,304	341,221	3,353	2,851	0.89	0.83
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	339,740	313,715	2,872	2,772	0.84	0.88
California	97,672	98,479	678	714	0.69	0.72
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	141,773	132,133	1,786	1,257	1.24	0.94
Florida	25,187	21,516	179	121	0.71	0.56
Georgia	442,366	404,261	3,534	2,745	0.79	0.67
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	16,252	15,239	102	80	0.63	0.52
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	101,831	96,543	752	567	0.73	0.58
Louisiana	73,604	68,246	401	382	0.54	0.56
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	45,939	44,840	700	557	1.50	1.23
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	20,749	19,466	224	184	1.07	0.94
Mississippi	287,993	263,870	1,994	1,843	0.69	0.69
Missouri	138,254	124,986	977	944	0.70	0.75
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	408	399	11	10	2.69	2.48
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	5,617	5,575	150	129	2.60	2.26
North Carolina	384,063	350,874	3,243	2,746	0.84	0.78
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	25,459	26,385	254	173	0.99	0.65
Oklahoma	56,635	54,042	391	370	0.69	0.68
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	43,863	40,038	713	631	1.60	1.55
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina	125,402	114,459	707	604	0.56	0.52
South Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Tennessee	101,756	90,680	953	618	0.93	0.68
Texas	243,025	209,916	1,411	1,138	0.58	0.54
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	108,832	98,434	840	558	0.77	0.56
Washington	21,028	20,229	151	138	0.71	0.68
West Virginia	28,910	24,203	84	76	0.29	0.31
Wisconsin	13,325	13,248	159	148	1.18	1.11
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,270,060	3,001,469	26,804	22,549	0.81	0.75

- Represents zero.

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

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

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

Young Chickens, Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause – States and United States: May and June 2013

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

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	-	-	203	423	121,597	103,663
Arkansas	-	-	299	279	76,666	66,708
Delaware	-	-	3,831	4,594	45,627	37,081
Georgia	-	-	118	63	69,975	61,091
Mississippi	-	-	817	397	26,426	25,365
Missouri	-	-	55	81	50,589	42,468
North Carolina	-	-	664	444	87,309	79,509
Texas	-	-	159	103	53,812	49,163
Virginia	-	-	233	178	15,959	11,514
United States	-	-	10,103	10,957	824,883	726,784

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	55,416	32,297	669	386	1,473	1,075
Arkansas	23,903	18,726	1,425	1,417	855	779
Delaware	59,094	35,908	127	120	4,702	3,163
Georgia	49,159	31,320	97	147	4,484	3,550
Mississippi	10,442	9,019	60	44	474	385
Missouri	18,783	18,367	72	260	767	683
North Carolina	49,807	35,451	85	85	4,817	4,299
Texas	22,343	17,508	119	51	812	589
Virginia	27,504	13,683	19	2	1,106	954
United States	450,903	299,993	4,024	3,713	27,241	22,716

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,449	1,239	6,274	6,059	16,119	16,958
Arkansas	620	481	5,397	5,213	5,040	5,094
Delaware	996	891	1,767	1,607	3,384	2,872
Georgia	737	617	11,317	9,667	9,748	6,816
Mississippi	368	504	1,855	1,921	1,361	1,479
Missouri	231	252	1,249	1,046	5,436	3,867
North Carolina	1,120	891	11,070	8,954	4,697	4,479
Texas	401	356	1,565	1,124	5,818	5,207
Virginia	561	500	486	402	1,457	1,627
United States	11,005	9,947	54,181	47,849	95,222	87,592

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	2,514	1,230	103,264	85,689	308,978	249,019
Arkansas	662	459	92,819	91,894	207,686	191,050
Delaware	1,991	1,159	27,880	22,866	149,399	110,261
Georgia	2,025	2,573	151,380	123,181	299,040	239,025
Mississippi	136	215	38,458	31,285	80,397	70,614
Missouri	136	173	29,013	27,469	106,331	94,666
North Carolina	1,992	1,548	79,553	59,504	241,114	195,164
Texas	1,024	1,001	28,837	26,414	114,890	101,516
Virginia	245	368	31,437	14,375	79,007	43,603
United States	16,419	13,508	802,290	666,732	2,296,271	1,889,791

- Represents zero.

¹ 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: May and June 2013

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	2,973	2,723	59,229	54,106	19.92	19.87
California	929	960	28,937	29,297	31.15	30.51
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	1,612	1,514	62,791	58,618	38.95	38.72
Iowa	1,339	1,241	56,630	51,733	42.29	41.68
Kansas	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,787	3,661	93,105	91,175	24.59	24.90
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	956	917	32,006	29,570	33.49	32.26
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	2,742	2,588	90,692	85,567	33.07	33.06
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	452	408	19,332	17,854	42.77	43.76
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	510	492	13,601	12,292	26.69	25.00
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	569	540	15,112	7,652	26.58	14.18
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia	2,235	2,043	58,243	52,947	26.07	25.91
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	20,721	19,549	633,530	589,302	30.57	30.14

- Represents zero.

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: May and June 2013

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Total chilled and frozen pounds certified ¹		Post-mortem condemnations			
			Carcass and parts		Percent ²	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	48,761	45,377	402	312	0.82	0.68
California	23,257	23,588	299	271	1.27	1.14
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	50,837	47,444	798	750	1.55	1.56
Iowa	44,415	40,569	794	711	1.76	1.72
Kansas	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	74,577	72,985	1,310	1,291	1.73	1.74
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	26,112	23,809	205	204	0.78	0.85
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	71,106	67,018	738	694	1.03	1.03
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	15,422	14,066	341	320	2.16	2.23
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	10,741	9,660	203	176	1.86	1.79
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Texas	12,031	6,274	42	37	0.35	0.59
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Virginia	46,299	42,392	576	486	1.23	1.13
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	505,780	471,129	7,120	6,600	1.39	1.38

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(X) Not applicable.

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² 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, 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 plants. Over 99 percent of the total United States slaughter for any species is under Federal Inspection. 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 300 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2012. Young chickens were slaughtered in 37 States, young turkeys in 28 States.

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