



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 5 Percent from Last Year

Poultry certified wholesome during July 2013 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.85 billion pounds, up 5 percent from the amount certified in July 2012. The June 2013 revised certified total at 3.53 billion pounds, was down 4 percent from June 2012. The June revision represented an increase of 894 thousand pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during July 2013 was 5.10 billion pounds, up 5 percent from 4.87 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.37 billion pounds, up 5 percent from July 2012. Mature chickens, at 68.3 million pounds, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 643 million pounds, up 3 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 14.3 million pounds, up 15 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during July 2013 averaged 5.84 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from July 2012. The average live weight of mature chickens was 5.86 pounds per bird, down 4 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during July 2013 averaged 29.7 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from July 2012.

Ante-mortem condemnations during July 2013 totaled 10.8 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.21 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.24 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 33.9 million pounds, were 0.87 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.88 percent a year earlier.

July 2012 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

July 2013 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2012	June 2013	July 2013	July 2013 as % of		January to July		2013 as percent of 2012
				July 2012	June 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	722,612	679,873	748,375	104	110	4,941,861	4,956,303	100
Mature	11,304	11,451	11,660	103	102	87,888	86,629	99
Light	4,453	5,401	5,604	126	104	46,260	46,852	101
Heavy	6,851	6,050	6,056	88	100	41,628	39,777	96
Total	733,916	691,324	760,035	104	110	5,029,749	5,042,932	100
Turkeys								
Young	21,104	19,569	21,487	102	110	142,058	140,119	99
Old	119	97	119	100	123	861	822	95
Total	21,223	19,666	21,606	102	110	142,919	140,941	99
Ducks	1,824	1,825	2,137	117	117	14,009	14,234	102
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,166,439	4,000,638	4,370,100	105	109	28,782,166	29,170,504	101
Mature	68,873	66,523	68,281	99	103	477,675	472,990	99
Light	13,939	17,616	18,952	136	108	148,593	152,570	103
Heavy	54,934	48,907	49,329	90	101	329,082	320,420	97
Total	4,235,312	4,067,161	4,438,381	105	109	29,259,841	29,643,494	101
Turkeys								
Young	617,916	589,760	639,432	103	108	4,295,626	4,306,626	100
Old	3,105	2,514	3,142	101	125	22,565	22,049	98
Total	621,021	592,274	642,574	103	108	4,318,191	4,328,675	100
Ducks	12,402	12,606	14,316	115	114	95,223	97,104	102
Other ¹	361	214	256	71	120	1,516	1,308	86
Total	4,869,096	4,672,255	5,095,527	105	109	33,674,771	34,070,581	101
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5.77	5.88	5.84	101	99	5.82	5.89	101
Mature	6.09	5.81	5.86	96	101	5.44	5.46	100
Light	3.13	3.26	3.38	108	104	3.21	3.26	102
Heavy	8.02	8.08	8.15	102	101	7.91	8.06	102
Total	5.77	5.88	5.84	101	99	5.82	5.88	101
Turkeys								
Young	29.28	30.14	29.76	102	99	30.24	30.74	102
Old	26.09	25.92	26.40	101	102	26.21	26.82	102
Total	29.26	30.12	29.74	102	99	30.21	30.71	102
Ducks	6.80	6.91	6.70	99	97	6.80	6.82	100

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

Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type – United States

[Ready-to-cook weights]

Commodity	July 2012	June 2013	July 2013	July 2013 as % of		January to July		2013 as percent of 2012
				July 2012	June 2013	2012	2013	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	2,823,825	2,746,962	2,993,642	106	109	19,601,316	19,931,300	102
Mature	43,428	42,859	47,011	108	110	303,674	305,259	101
Light	7,624	9,592	13,209	173	138	79,415	87,329	110
Heavy	35,804	33,267	33,802	94	102	224,259	217,930	97
Total	2,867,253	2,789,821	3,040,653	106	109	19,904,990	20,236,559	102
Turkeys								
Young	293,355	279,656	300,729	103	108	2,083,988	2,085,641	100
Old	2,285	1,665	1,943	85	117	16,657	15,013	90
Total	295,640	281,321	302,672	102	108	2,100,645	2,100,654	100
Ducks	3,205	3,273	3,537	110	108	25,315	26,144	103
Other ¹	234	141	165	71	117	1,004	858	85
Total	3,166,332	3,074,556	3,347,027	106	109	22,031,954	22,364,215	102
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	303,165	255,001	285,168	94	112	1,995,777	1,956,918	98
Mature	-	9	81	(X)	900	368	194	53
Light	-	-	81	(X)	(X)	323	91	28
Heavy	-	9	-	(X)	(X)	45	103	229
Total	303,165	255,010	285,249	94	112	1,996,145	1,957,112	98
Turkeys								
Young	201,497	191,873	211,655	105	110	1,346,274	1,357,302	101
Old	49	242	462	943	191	470	1,770	377
Total	201,546	192,115	212,117	105	110	1,346,744	1,359,072	101
Ducks	5,691	5,850	6,743	118	115	43,638	44,021	101
Other ¹	11	8	8	73	100	53	53	100
Total	510,413	452,983	504,117	99	111	3,386,580	3,360,258	99
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,126,990	3,001,963	3,278,810	105	109	21,597,093	21,888,218	101
Mature	43,428	42,868	47,092	108	110	304,042	305,453	100
Light	7,624	9,592	13,290	174	139	79,738	87,420	110
Heavy	35,804	33,276	33,802	94	102	224,304	218,033	97
Total	3,170,418	3,044,831	3,325,902	105	109	21,901,135	22,193,671	101
Turkeys								
Young	494,852	471,529	512,384	104	109	3,430,262	3,442,943	100
Old	2,334	1,907	2,405	103	126	17,127	16,783	98
Total	497,186	473,436	514,789	104	109	3,447,389	3,459,726	100
Ducks	8,896	9,123	10,280	116	113	68,953	70,165	102
Other ¹	245	149	173	71	116	1,057	911	86
Total	3,676,745	3,527,539	3,851,144	105	109	25,418,534	25,724,473	101

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2012	June 2013	July 2013	July 2013 as % of		January to July		2013 as percent of 2012
				July 2012	June 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	9,175	7,618	8,517	93	112	56,101	57,191	102
Mature	622	623	692	111	111	5,272	4,664	88
Light	158	259	241	153	93	2,170	1,929	89
Heavy	464	364	451	97	124	3,102	2,735	88
Total	9,797	8,241	9,209	94	112	61,373	61,855	101
Turkeys								
Young	1,780	1,346	1,497	84	111	10,141	10,089	99
Old	52	27	33	63	122	241	235	98
Total	1,832	1,373	1,530	84	111	10,382	10,324	99
Ducks	79	50	66	84	132	285	320	112
Total	11,709	9,665	10,805	92	112	72,043	72,501	101
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.22	0.19	0.19	86	100	0.19	0.20	105
Mature	0.90	0.94	1.01	112	107	1.10	0.99	90
Light	1.13	1.47	1.27	112	86	1.46	1.26	86
Heavy	0.84	0.74	0.91	108	123	0.94	0.85	90
Total	0.23	0.20	0.21	91	105	0.21	0.21	100
Turkeys								
Young	0.29	0.23	0.23	79	100	0.24	0.23	96
Old	1.67	1.07	1.05	63	98	1.07	1.07	100
Total	0.29	0.23	0.24	83	104	0.24	0.24	100
Ducks	0.64	0.40	0.46	72	115	0.30	0.33	110
Total	0.24	0.21	0.21	88	100	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	July 2012	June 2013	July 2013	July 2013 as % of		January to July		2013 as percent of 2012
				July 2012	June 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	23,501	22,552	24,294	103	108	175,853	187,843	107
Mature	1,843	1,870	2,079	113	111	15,125	14,043	93
Light	588	694	748	127	108	7,171	6,243	87
Heavy	1,255	1,176	1,331	106	113	7,954	7,800	98
Total	25,344	24,422	26,373	104	108	190,978	201,886	106
Turkeys								
Young	6,840	6,605	7,125	104	108	45,253	48,049	106
Old	104	122	123	118	101	709	949	134
Total	6,944	6,727	7,248	104	108	45,962	48,998	107
Ducks	215	259	271	126	105	1,758	1,881	107
Other	3	2	2	67	100	12	9	75
Total	32,506	31,410	33,894	104	108	238,710	252,774	106
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.75	0.75	0.74	99	99	0.81	0.85	105
Mature	4.07	4.18	4.23	104	101	4.74	4.40	93
Light	7.16	6.75	5.33	74	79	8.25	6.67	81
Heavy	3.39	3.41	3.79	112	111	3.42	3.45	101
Total	0.79	0.80	0.79	100	99	0.86	0.90	105
Turkeys								
Young	1.36	1.38	1.37	101	99	1.30	1.38	106
Old	4.27	6.01	4.87	114	81	3.98	5.35	134
Total	1.38	1.40	1.39	101	99	1.32	1.40	106
Ducks	2.36	2.76	2.57	109	93	2.49	2.61	105
Other	1.21	1.32	1.14	94	86	1.12	0.98	88
Total	0.88	0.88	0.87	99	99	0.93	0.97	104

¹ 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 2013

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	10,957	9,976	726,913	818,020
Mature	-	-	418	401	86,271	102,765
Light	-	-	358	312	52,345	68,039
Heavy	-	-	60	89	33,926	34,726
Total	-	-	11,375	10,377	813,184	920,785
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	51	27	31,098	30,078
Old	-	-	1	9	762	749
Total	-	-	52	36	31,860	30,827
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	299,993	289,697	3,713	4,731	22,716	23,545
Mature	17,549	17,156	167	128	23,263	34,144
Light	5,161	5,774	89	57	17,107	27,808
Heavy	12,388	11,382	78	71	6,156	6,336
Total	317,542	306,853	3,880	4,859	45,979	57,689
Turkeys						
Young	3,357	4,094	791	398	101	103
Old	1,069	661	20	16	67	111
Total	4,426	4,755	811	414	168	214
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	9,947	10,964	47,849	53,632	87,592	98,573
Mature	12,267	7,712	1,877	1,719	62,918	60,882
Light	12,015	7,485	1,096	969	58,944	57,440
Heavy	252	227	781	750	3,974	3,442
Total	22,214	18,676	49,726	55,351	150,510	159,455
Turkeys						
Young	113	121	1,867	1,766	1,315	1,276
Old	1	2	12	65	55	17
Total	114	123	1,879	1,831	1,370	1,293
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	13,508	11,780	666,737	675,569	1,889,925	1,996,487
Mature	428	426	105,667	110,690	310,825	335,945
Light	91	45	37,025	42,182	184,231	210,033
Heavy	337	381	68,642	68,508	126,594	125,912
Total	13,936	12,206	772,404	786,259	2,200,750	2,332,432
Turkeys						
Young	581	763	14,618	14,204	53,892	52,830
Old	-	1	119	157	2,106	1,783
Total	581	764	14,737	14,361	55,998	54,613

- 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: June and July 2013

[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	79,608	89,124	450,062	497,830	5.65	5.59
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	70,180	78,466	413,953	456,808	5.90	5.82
California	21,961	22,520	132,375	130,917	6.03	5.81
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	25,852	27,617	182,907	192,183	7.08	6.96
Florida	4,836	5,246	28,694	31,885	5.93	6.08
Georgia	98,236	109,526	547,374	616,650	5.57	5.63
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	4,898	5,147	20,840	21,959	4.26	4.27
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,345	26,702	133,473	144,472	5.48	5.41
Louisiana	15,480	16,374	90,873	96,841	5.87	5.91
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	11,441	12,409	62,346	65,903	5.45	5.31
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,944	4,331	23,419	25,908	5.94	5.98
Mississippi	56,640	63,629	343,478	389,672	6.06	6.12
Missouri	34,967	38,829	165,280	184,026	4.73	4.74
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	116	131	556	612	4.80	4.66
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	1,752	1,823	8,868	9,093	5.06	4.99
North Carolina	59,553	63,561	448,997	468,718	7.54	7.37
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	6,026	6,161	35,219	34,872	5.84	5.66
Oklahoma	10,807	11,668	71,930	77,020	6.66	6.60
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	10,418	10,147	57,839	55,237	5.55	5.44
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	22,155	24,382	152,167	164,994	6.87	6.77
South Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	23,954	27,059	122,713	138,656	5.12	5.12
Texas	47,520	53,641	277,827	314,556	5.85	5.86
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	25,658	28,347	137,988	151,304	5.38	5.34
Washington	4,461	4,978	27,168	29,438	6.09	5.91
West Virginia	8,725	10,273	34,305	41,132	3.93	4.00
Wisconsin	4,425	4,228	18,138	17,131	4.10	4.05
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	679,873	748,375	4,000,638	4,370,100	5.88	5.84

- 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 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	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	341,221	379,614	2,851	3,001	0.83	0.78
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	313,764	346,102	2,772	2,979	0.88	0.85
California	98,479	97,536	714	655	0.72	0.67
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	132,133	139,399	1,257	1,209	0.94	0.86
Florida	21,516	23,914	121	161	0.56	0.67
Georgia	404,706	454,843	2,748	2,871	0.67	0.63
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	15,239	16,084	80	75	0.52	0.47
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	96,543	104,363	567	568	0.58	0.54
Louisiana	68,246	73,245	382	388	0.56	0.53
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	44,840	47,619	557	415	1.23	0.86
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	19,466	21,673	184	240	0.94	1.09
Mississippi	263,870	298,408	1,843	2,218	0.69	0.74
Missouri	124,986	138,631	944	1,151	0.75	0.82
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	399	453	10	11	2.48	2.31
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	5,575	5,666	129	133	2.26	2.30
North Carolina	350,874	366,518	2,746	2,946	0.78	0.80
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	26,385	26,008	173	188	0.65	0.72
Oklahoma	54,042	57,358	370	423	0.68	0.73
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	40,038	37,810	631	727	1.55	1.89
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina	114,459	124,336	604	688	0.52	0.55
South Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Tennessee	90,680	102,435	618	785	0.68	0.76
Texas	209,916	236,693	1,138	1,399	0.54	0.59
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	98,434	107,327	558	559	0.56	0.52
Washington	20,229	21,851	138	137	0.68	0.62
West Virginia	24,203	29,525	76	79	0.31	0.27
Wisconsin	13,248	12,514	148	137	1.11	1.08
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,001,963	3,278,810	22,552	24,294	0.75	0.74

- 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: June and July 2013

[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	-	-	423	393	103,663	100,467
Arkansas	-	-	279	332	66,708	80,820
Delaware	-	-	4,594	4,124	37,081	41,134
Georgia	-	-	63	267	61,220	71,210
Mississippi	-	-	397	261	25,365	33,882
Missouri	-	-	81	77	42,468	50,257
North Carolina	-	-	444	430	79,509	92,020
Texas	-	-	103	339	49,163	57,005
Virginia	-	-	178	215	11,514	13,032
United States	-	-	10,957	9,976	726,913	818,020

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	32,297	30,797	386	830	1,075	1,094
Arkansas	18,726	19,479	1,417	1,422	779	756
Delaware	35,908	25,798	120	32	3,163	3,049
Georgia	31,320	33,168	147	197	3,550	3,248
Mississippi	9,019	10,297	44	89	385	399
Missouri	18,367	19,957	260	175	683	573
North Carolina	35,451	29,947	85	275	4,299	4,682
Texas	17,508	22,090	51	112	589	904
Virginia	13,683	10,858	2	31	954	1,168
United States	299,993	289,697	3,713	4,731	22,716	23,545

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,239	1,409	6,059	7,220	16,958	21,922
Arkansas	481	510	5,213	5,263	5,094	5,847
Delaware	891	1,124	1,607	1,528	2,872	3,699
Georgia	617	867	9,667	12,070	6,816	6,727
Mississippi	504	493	1,921	2,111	1,479	1,656
Missouri	252	224	1,046	1,174	3,867	4,429
North Carolina	891	1,159	8,954	8,897	4,479	5,341
Texas	356	418	1,124	1,842	5,207	5,495
Virginia	500	558	402	599	1,627	1,889
United States	9,947	10,964	47,849	53,632	87,592	98,573

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,230	1,731	85,689	88,217	249,019	254,080
Arkansas	459	251	91,894	83,232	191,050	197,912
Delaware	1,159	1,012	22,866	21,546	110,261	103,046
Georgia	2,573	2,359	123,186	113,882	239,159	243,995
Mississippi	215	103	31,285	30,576	70,614	79,867
Missouri	173	185	27,469	44,896	94,666	121,947
North Carolina	1,548	1,687	59,504	56,600	195,164	201,038
Texas	1,001	844	26,414	31,199	101,516	120,248
Virginia	368	325	14,375	11,106	43,603	39,781
United States	13,508	11,780	666,737	675,569	1,889,925	1,996,487

- 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: June and July 2013

[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	2,743	3,174	54,564	63,514	19.89	20.01
California	960	1,006	29,297	29,704	30.51	29.54
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	1,514	1,818	58,618	65,254	38.72	35.89
Iowa	1,241	1,301	51,733	54,576	41.68	41.95
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,661	3,839	91,175	95,089	24.90	24.77
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	917	981	29,570	32,768	32.26	33.41
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	2,588	2,845	85,567	93,797	33.06	32.96
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	408	442	17,854	19,303	43.76	43.66
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	492	550	12,292	13,497	25.00	24.56
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	540	589	7,652	8,499	14.18	14.44
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Virginia	2,043	2,234	52,947	58,131	25.91	26.02
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	19,569	21,487	589,760	639,432	30.14	29.76

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: June and July 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	
	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	45,777	53,797	317	322	0.69	0.60
California	23,588	24,003	271	245	1.14	1.01
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(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	47,444	52,696	750	856	1.56	1.60
Iowa	40,569	42,759	711	757	1.72	1.74
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	72,985	76,053	1,291	1,363	1.74	1.76
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	23,809	26,536	204	197	0.85	0.74
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
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	67,018	73,983	694	762	1.03	1.02
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	14,066	15,425	320	344	2.23	2.18
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	9,660	10,661	176	183	1.79	1.69
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Texas	6,274	7,122	37	59	0.59	0.82
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Virginia	42,392	46,259	486	567	1.13	1.21
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	471,529	512,384	6,605	7,125	1.38	1.37

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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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