



Poultry Slaughter

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

June 2014 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2015 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

Poultry certified wholesome during June 2015 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.93 billion pounds, up 5 percent from the amount certified in June 2014. The May 2015 revised certified total at 3.73 billion pounds, was up slightly from May 2014. The May revision represented an increase of 447 thousand pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during June 2015 was 5.18 billion pounds, up 5 percent from 4.96 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.53 billion pounds, up 6 percent from June 2014. Mature chickens, at 70.3 million pounds, were up 3 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 570 million pounds, down 6 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 15.9 million pounds, up 13 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2015 averaged 6.09 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from June 2014. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.25 pounds per bird, up 9 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2015 averaged 30.0 pounds per bird, down slightly from June 2014.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2015 totaled 12.3 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.24 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.22 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 38.0 million pounds, were 0.96 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.95 percent a year earlier.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		2015 as percent of 2014
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Number slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	712,605	704,517	743,804	104	106	4,193,972	4,294,237	102
Mature	11,999	10,696	11,246	94	105	73,679	69,756	95
Light	6,070	4,921	4,331	71	88	38,767	33,206	86
Heavy	5,929	5,775	6,915	117	120	34,912	36,550	105
Total	724,604	715,213	755,050	104	106	4,267,651	4,363,993	102
Turkeys								
Young	20,058	17,681	18,914	94	107	111,637	113,192	101
Old	87	77	108	124	140	605	722	119
Total	20,145	17,758	19,022	94	107	112,242	113,914	101
Ducks	2,056	2,172	2,325	113	107	12,735	13,855	109
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,265,977	4,303,939	4,528,329	106	105	25,119,453	26,186,968	104
Mature	68,483	62,815	70,304	103	112	409,274	404,310	99
Light	19,969	15,872	13,847	69	87	124,699	107,173	86
Heavy	48,514	46,943	56,457	116	120	284,575	297,137	104
Total	4,334,460	4,366,754	4,598,633	106	105	25,528,727	26,591,278	104
Turkeys								
Young	603,968	539,006	566,856	94	105	3,433,072	3,493,888	102
Old	2,304	2,143	3,153	137	147	16,529	20,509	124
Total	606,272	541,149	570,009	94	105	3,449,601	3,514,397	102
Ducks	14,129	14,878	15,905	113	107	87,552	94,956	108
Other ¹	191	178	274	143	154	1,029	1,159	113
Total	4,955,052	4,922,959	5,184,821	105	105	29,066,909	30,201,790	104
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5.99	6.11	6.09	102	100	5.99	6.10	102
Mature	5.71	5.87	6.25	109	106	5.55	5.80	105
Light	3.29	3.23	3.20	97	99	3.22	3.23	100
Heavy	8.18	8.13	8.16	100	100	8.15	8.13	100
Total	5.98	6.11	6.09	102	100	5.98	6.09	102
Turkeys								
Young	30.11	30.49	29.97	100	98	30.75	30.87	100
Old	26.48	27.83	29.19	110	105	27.32	28.41	104
Total	30.10	30.47	29.97	100	98	30.73	30.85	100
Ducks	6.87	6.85	6.84	100	100	6.87	6.85	100

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

Chilled and Frozen, Pounds Certified by Type – United States

[Ready-to-cook weights]

Commodity	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		2015 as percent of 2014
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	2,923,671	2,959,598	3,129,016	107	106	17,251,639	18,003,902	104
Mature	43,517	40,374	45,590	105	113	258,210	258,871	100
Light	10,995	8,607	7,785	71	90	67,405	59,216	88
Heavy	32,522	31,767	37,805	116	119	190,805	199,655	105
Total	2,967,188	2,999,972	3,174,606	107	106	17,509,849	18,262,773	104
Turkeys								
Young	271,893	248,259	256,505	94	103	1,548,540	1,641,934	106
Old	1,557	1,560	2,313	149	148	11,479	14,416	126
Total	273,450	249,819	258,818	95	104	1,560,019	1,656,350	106
Ducks	3,892	3,988	4,543	117	114	24,352	25,399	104
Other ¹	118	114	164	139	144	664	739	111
Total	3,244,648	3,253,893	3,438,131	106	106	19,094,884	19,945,261	104
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	281,925	286,515	282,424	100	99	1,649,278	1,716,828	104
Mature	1	3	4	400	133	23	7	30
Light	1	-	-	(X)	(X)	11	-	(X)
Heavy	-	3	4	(X)	133	12	7	58
Total	281,926	286,518	282,428	100	99	1,649,301	1,716,835	104
Turkeys								
Young	212,352	184,183	198,384	93	108	1,199,531	1,159,431	97
Old	164	45	45	27	100	1,055	965	91
Total	212,516	184,228	198,429	93	108	1,200,586	1,160,396	97
Ducks	6,346	6,739	6,969	110	103	38,974	43,099	111
Other ¹	8	7	9	113	129	46	48	104
Total	500,796	477,492	487,835	97	102	2,888,907	2,920,378	101
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,205,596	3,246,113	3,411,440	106	105	18,900,917	19,720,730	104
Mature	43,518	40,377	45,594	105	113	258,233	258,878	100
Light	10,996	8,607	7,785	71	90	67,416	59,216	88
Heavy	32,522	31,770	37,809	116	119	190,817	199,662	105
Total	3,249,114	3,286,490	3,457,034	106	105	19,159,150	19,979,608	104
Turkeys								
Young	484,245	432,442	454,889	94	105	2,748,071	2,801,365	102
Old	1,721	1,605	2,358	137	147	12,534	15,381	123
Total	485,966	434,047	457,247	94	105	2,760,605	2,816,746	102
Ducks	10,238	10,727	11,512	112	107	63,326	68,498	108
Other ¹	126	121	173	137	143	710	787	111
Total	3,745,444	3,731,385	3,925,966	105	105	21,983,791	22,865,639	104

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		2015 as percent of 2014
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	8,880	8,986	10,113	114	113	53,421	58,830	110
Mature	738	798	829	112	104	4,489	4,768	106
Light	290	286	240	83	84	1,793	1,746	97
Heavy	448	512	589	131	115	2,696	3,022	112
Total	9,618	9,784	10,942	114	112	57,910	63,598	110
Turkeys								
Young	1,297	1,154	1,293	100	112	8,101	8,436	104
Old	34	36	48	141	133	232	293	126
Total	1,331	1,190	1,341	101	113	8,333	8,729	105
Ducks	41	29	47	115	162	226	238	105
Total ¹	10,990	11,003	12,330	112	112	66,469	72,565	109
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.21	0.21	0.22	105	105	0.21	0.22	105
Mature	1.08	1.27	1.18	109	93	1.10	1.18	107
Light	1.45	1.80	1.73	119	96	1.44	1.63	113
Heavy	0.92	1.09	1.04	113	95	0.95	1.02	107
Total	0.22	0.22	0.24	109	109	0.23	0.24	104
Turkeys								
Young	0.21	0.21	0.23	110	110	0.24	0.24	100
Old	1.48	1.68	1.52	103	90	1.40	1.43	102
Total	0.22	0.22	0.24	109	109	0.24	0.25	104
Ducks	0.29	0.19	0.30	103	158	0.26	0.25	96
Total ¹	0.22	0.22	0.24	109	109	0.23	0.24	104

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

² Pounds condemned as a percent of live weight pounds inspected.

Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		2015 as percent of 2014
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	27,159	29,447	28,995	107	98	171,668	184,298	107
Mature	2,307	2,308	2,431	105	105	13,649	14,280	105
Light	788	704	593	75	84	5,277	4,800	91
Heavy	1,519	1,604	1,838	121	115	8,372	9,480	113
Total	29,466	31,755	31,426	107	99	185,317	198,578	107
Turkeys								
Young	6,090	6,063	6,080	100	100	36,811	39,509	107
Old	92	96	128	139	133	647	832	129
Total	6,182	6,159	6,208	100	101	37,458	40,341	108
Ducks	239	306	332	139	108	1,601	1,829	114
Other ¹	1	1	1	100	100	7	7	100
Total	35,888	38,221	37,967	106	99	224,383	240,755	107
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.84	0.90	0.84	100	93	0.90	0.93	103
Mature	5.03	5.41	5.06	101	94	5.02	5.23	104
Light	6.69	7.56	7.08	106	94	7.26	7.50	103
Heavy	4.46	4.81	4.64	104	96	4.20	4.53	108
Total	0.90	0.96	0.90	100	94	0.96	0.98	102
Turkeys								
Young	1.24	1.38	1.32	106	96	1.32	1.39	105
Old	5.07	5.64	5.15	102	91	4.91	5.13	104
Total	1.26	1.40	1.34	106	96	1.34	1.41	105
Ducks	2.28	2.77	2.80	123	101	2.47	2.60	105
Other ¹	0.79	0.82	0.57	72	70	0.98	0.88	90
Total	0.95	1.01	0.96	101	95	1.01	1.04	103

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

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

Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause and Type – United States: May and June 2015

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	6,940	7,205	893,126	927,792
Mature	-	-	410	302	134,838	127,316
Light	-	-	293	217	98,609	88,631
Heavy	-	-	117	85	36,229	38,685
Total	-	-	7,350	7,507	1,027,964	1,055,108
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	33	75	28,225	24,292
Old	-	-	-	3	580	712
Total	-	-	33	78	28,805	25,004
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	510,263	422,451	2,758	2,879	13,976	13,212
Mature	23,551	22,679	298	257	33,335	27,392
Light	5,906	4,635	128	88	24,661	19,267
Heavy	17,645	18,044	170	169	8,674	8,125
Total	533,814	445,130	3,056	3,136	47,311	40,604
Turkeys						
Young	3,558	3,448	1,001	958	29	35
Old	124	358	1	1	95	83
Total	3,682	3,806	1,002	959	124	118
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	11,535	12,997	49,261	54,890	91,990	99,636
Mature	12,835	7,003	1,433	1,297	62,708	62,074
Light	12,507	6,658	972	580	57,840	57,148
Heavy	328	345	461	717	4,868	4,926
Total	24,370	20,000	50,694	56,187	154,698	161,710
Turkeys						
Young	136	114	1,152	1,027	1,969	1,885
Old	25	18	16	8	37	60
Total	161	132	1,168	1,035	2,006	1,945
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	20,251	18,913	592,936	569,699	2,193,036	2,129,674
Mature	445	479	90,462	89,771	360,315	338,570
Light	134	135	40,342	32,018	241,392	209,377
Heavy	311	344	50,120	57,753	118,923	129,193
Total	20,696	19,392	683,398	659,470	2,553,351	2,468,244
Turkeys						
Young	447	579	8,325	8,796	44,875	41,209
Old	7	21	153	176	1,038	1,440
Total	454	600	8,478	8,972	45,913	42,649

- 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 2015

[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	85,236	89,380	480,794	504,333	5.64	5.64
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	68,813	74,588	439,595	476,272	6.39	6.39
California	22,110	23,076	135,636	140,682	6.13	6.10
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	28,580	30,338	206,948	218,745	7.24	7.21
Florida	5,199	5,632	30,557	31,952	5.88	5.67
Georgia	100,709	105,438	588,129	616,625	5.84	5.85
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	4,745	5,165	21,051	23,129	4.44	4.48
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,495	25,987	143,185	150,527	5.85	5.79
Louisiana	16,717	16,693	100,343	98,313	6.00	5.89
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	12,259	13,794	68,655	80,325	5.60	5.82
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,081	4,472	24,797	27,439	6.08	6.14
Mississippi	58,795	60,812	373,066	381,468	6.35	6.27
Missouri	35,568	38,006	171,385	181,375	4.82	4.77
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	102	108	499	535	4.91	4.97
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	1,898	2,098	9,556	10,721	5.03	5.11
North Carolina	63,512	67,254	490,818	523,340	7.73	7.78
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	6,346	6,674	35,464	37,327	5.59	5.59
Oklahoma	11,161	12,908	74,456	83,850	6.67	6.50
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	8,819	9,733	48,763	53,753	5.53	5.52
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	23,330	25,365	170,165	184,933	7.29	7.29
South Dakota	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Tennessee	23,527	26,139	126,203	136,405	5.36	5.22
Texas	50,759	50,460	315,222	307,551	6.21	6.09
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	27,665	28,470	155,962	160,182	5.64	5.63
Washington	3,983	4,279	24,642	26,797	6.19	6.26
West Virginia	9,331	9,990	35,177	37,970	3.77	3.80
Wisconsin	4,317	4,624	18,274	19,672	4.23	4.25
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	704,517	743,804	4,303,939	4,528,329	6.11	6.09

- 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 2015

[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	367,007	385,100	3,017	2,906	0.82	0.75
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	333,789	361,528	3,858	3,570	1.14	0.98
California	101,017	104,579	819	961	0.80	0.91
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	150,605	159,426	1,677	1,573	1.10	0.98
Florida	22,918	23,965	137	123	0.59	0.51
Georgia	446,186	459,084	3,966	3,778	0.88	0.82
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	15,413	16,909	137	121	0.88	0.71
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	104,097	109,434	1,556	1,609	1.47	1.45
Louisiana	75,274	74,320	456	457	0.60	0.61
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	49,977	58,610	650	726	1.28	1.22
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	21,152	23,353	210	184	0.98	0.78
Mississippi	291,306	296,515	1,922	2,041	0.66	0.68
Missouri	127,943	135,384	1,346	1,427	1.04	1.04
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	349	375	4	2	1.10	0.56
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	5,954	6,560	145	183	2.37	2.72
North Carolina	383,217	408,039	3,325	2,941	0.86	0.72
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	26,386	27,772	317	333	1.19	1.18
Oklahoma	56,050	62,993	464	523	0.82	0.82
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	33,108	36,520	615	674	1.82	1.81
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	128,029	139,296	754	730	0.59	0.52
South Dakota	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Tennessee	92,519	99,967	849	784	0.91	0.78
Texas	235,619	235,131	1,834	2,028	0.77	0.86
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	110,796	114,921	855	783	0.77	0.68
Washington	18,356	19,925	111	111	0.60	0.55
West Virginia	25,235	27,243	77	80	0.30	0.29
Wisconsin	13,343	14,366	159	148	1.18	1.02
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,246,113	3,411,440	29,447	28,995	0.90	0.84

- 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 2015

[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	-	-	395	503	83,744	94,629
Arkansas	-	-	227	283	76,765	86,192
Delaware	-	-	2,492	2,065	70,505	73,969
Georgia	-	-	46	153	103,242	99,573
Mississippi	-	-	78	89	21,504	20,206
Missouri	-	-	74	88	49,023	45,581
North Carolina	-	-	218	146	99,134	94,331
Texas	-	-	35	107	67,101	73,900
Virginia	-	-	66	88	20,468	20,116
United States	-	-	6,940	7,205	893,126	927,792

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	36,919	29,276	362	289	1,281	1,285
Arkansas	30,024	27,818	770	741	670	663
Delaware	68,580	49,359	28	38	1,116	1,143
Georgia	92,540	70,195	152	164	1,934	1,921
Mississippi	11,682	9,354	30	99	450	525
Missouri	8,055	5,757	64	21	382	346
North Carolina	62,973	40,417	168	254	2,739	2,088
Texas	19,647	18,080	90	57	565	577
Virginia	27,537	18,839	5	20	369	464
United States	510,263	422,451	2,758	2,879	13,976	13,212

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,174	1,521	5,908	6,574	15,484	21,511
Arkansas	363	487	3,178	3,721	6,631	6,558
Delaware	1,507	1,595	1,936	1,605	6,056	5,363
Georgia	852	895	11,825	15,216	6,286	8,724
Mississippi	380	532	1,680	1,849	1,211	1,424
Missouri	215	168	554	475	3,484	3,992
North Carolina	861	982	10,391	10,734	5,507	5,606
Texas	459	448	987	865	3,890	4,049
Virginia	756	901	486	550	2,940	2,784
United States	11,535	12,997	49,261	54,890	91,990	99,636

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	991	1,448	55,297	57,283	201,555	214,319
Arkansas	1,337	716	36,049	39,083	156,014	166,262
Delaware	2,958	2,304	12,293	9,657	167,471	147,098
Georgia	2,996	3,317	94,619	70,300	314,492	270,458
Mississippi	507	227	13,119	15,349	50,641	49,654
Missouri	95	117	25,492	31,443	87,438	87,988
North Carolina	2,256	3,449	67,762	53,595	252,009	211,602
Texas	568	1,284	20,086	15,608	113,428	114,975
Virginia	581	755	13,060	12,805	66,268	57,322
United States	20,251	18,913	592,936	569,699	2,193,036	2,129,674

- 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 2015

[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	2,722	3,032	53,298	60,078	19.58	19.81
California	726	905	23,511	27,361	32.37	30.22
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	1,767	2,050	71,669	80,675	40.55	39.35
Iowa	1,209	801	47,528	30,103	39.30	37.57
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	2,894	3,036	64,819	69,018	22.40	22.73
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	839	967	30,093	32,878	35.86	34.00
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	1,744	1,938	63,744	72,124	36.56	37.21
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	432	482	19,346	20,750	44.81	43.01
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Pennsylvania	587	677	16,317	18,299	27.78	27.04
Rhode Island	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	509	488	7,306	6,534	14.35	13.39
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Virginia	2,083	2,290	56,739	63,003	27.24	27.51
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	17,681	18,914	539,006	566,856	30.49	29.97

- Represents zero.

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: May and June 2015

[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	44,763	50,464	247	271	0.55	0.53
California	19,096	22,086	143	127	0.74	0.57
Colorado	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
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	57,762	64,863	973	1,011	1.66	1.53
Iowa	37,361	23,571	603	351	1.59	1.47
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	51,778	54,980	872	971	1.66	1.73
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	24,341	26,589	237	226	0.97	0.84
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	49,833	56,593	649	638	1.28	1.12
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	15,443	16,581	349	352	2.21	2.08
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Pennsylvania	12,938	14,496	222	255	1.69	1.73
Rhode Island	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Texas	6,195	5,527	42	34	0.68	0.62
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Virginia	45,951	51,146	512	614	1.10	1.19
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	432,442	454,889	6,063	6,080	1.38	1.32

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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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Procedures and Reliability: Plant inspectors submit data electronically for each shift a plant operates. An edit provides checks for the detection of errors such as invalid plant information, duplication, and erroneous data. Data are accumulated to monthly totals for this release.

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