



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 1 Percent from Last Year

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Poultry certified wholesome during June 2017 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 4.12 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the amount certified in June 2016. The May 2017 revised certified total at 4.23 billion pounds, was up 5 percent from May 2016. The May revision represented an increase of 2.52 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during June 2017 was 5.44 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 5.39 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.70 billion pounds, up 1 percent from June 2016. Mature chickens, at 75.8 million pounds, were up slightly from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 652 million pounds, down 2 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 15.0 million pounds, up 5 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2017 averaged 6.16 pounds per bird, up slightly from June 2016. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.15 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2017 averaged 30.8 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from June 2016.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2017 totaled 12.8 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.23 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.25 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 39.0 million pounds, were 0.94 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.99 percent a year earlier.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2016	May 2017	June 2017	June 2017 as % of		January to June		2017 as percent of 2016
				June 2016	May 2017	2016	2017	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Number slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	754,657	782,516	762,537	101	97	4,366,705	4,436,032	102
Mature	12,391	11,922	12,321	99	103	71,390	68,476	96
Light	5,273	5,570	5,248	100	94	32,365	31,492	97
Heavy	7,118	6,352	7,073	99	111	39,025	36,984	95
Total	767,048	794,438	774,858	101	98	4,438,095	4,504,508	101
Turkeys								
Young	21,710	20,887	21,036	97	101	117,630	117,422	100
Old	154	141	138	90	98	938	854	91
Total	21,864	21,028	21,174	97	101	118,568	118,276	100
Ducks	2,094	2,195	2,176	104	99	13,548	13,372	99
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,632,668	4,838,295	4,699,188	101	97	26,949,255	27,391,506	102
Mature	75,541	70,933	75,786	100	107	423,309	406,913	96
Light	17,426	18,711	17,744	102	95	106,417	105,356	99
Heavy	58,115	52,222	58,042	100	111	316,892	301,557	95
Total	4,708,209	4,909,228	4,774,974	101	97	27,372,564	27,798,419	102
Turkeys								
Young	664,157	648,913	648,321	98	100	3,660,743	3,681,259	101
Old	4,188	4,164	4,085	98	98	26,281	25,004	95
Total	668,345	653,077	652,406	98	100	3,687,024	3,706,263	101
Ducks	14,305	15,073	15,026	105	100	92,856	92,351	99
Other ¹	212	204	326	154	160	1,203	1,203	100
Total	5,391,071	5,577,582	5,442,732	101	98	31,153,647	31,598,236	101
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	6.14	6.18	6.16	100	100	6.17	6.17	100
Mature	6.10	5.95	6.15	101	103	5.93	5.94	100
Light	3.30	3.36	3.38	102	101	3.29	3.35	102
Heavy	8.16	8.22	8.21	101	100	8.12	8.15	100
Total	6.14	6.18	6.16	100	100	6.17	6.17	100
Turkeys								
Young	30.59	31.07	30.82	101	99	31.12	31.35	101
Old	27.19	29.53	29.60	109	100	28.02	29.28	104
Total	30.57	31.06	30.81	101	99	31.10	31.34	101
Ducks	6.83	6.87	6.91	101	101	6.85	6.91	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 2016	May 2017	June 2017	June 2017 as % of		January to June		2017 as percent of 2016
				June 2016	May 2017	2016	2017	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	3,227,211	3,365,872	3,263,184	101	97	18,772,054	19,051,103	101
Mature	49,008	45,909	49,195	100	107	272,526	262,960	96
Light	9,075	9,691	9,022	99	93	55,802	54,279	97
Heavy	39,933	36,218	40,173	101	111	216,724	208,681	96
Total	3,276,219	3,411,781	3,312,379	101	97	19,044,580	19,314,063	101
Turkeys								
Young	304,545	291,473	294,238	97	101	1,698,773	1,679,404	99
Old	2,875	3,081	2,947	103	96	17,697	18,377	104
Total	307,420	294,554	297,185	97	101	1,716,470	1,697,781	99
Ducks	4,149	4,391	3,980	96	91	25,798	25,648	99
Other ¹	135	127	191	141	150	771	746	97
Total	3,587,923	3,710,853	3,613,735	101	97	20,787,619	21,038,238	101
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	257,546	282,034	277,198	108	98	1,520,478	1,586,455	104
Mature	6	4	-	(X)	(X)	35	5	14
Light	-	2	-	(X)	(X)	4	3	75
Heavy	6	2	-	(X)	(X)	31	2	6
Total	257,552	282,038	277,198	108	98	1,520,513	1,586,460	104
Turkeys								
Young	227,681	228,588	224,967	99	98	1,236,505	1,270,495	103
Old	265	72	68	26	94	2,090	417	20
Total	227,946	228,660	225,035	99	98	1,238,595	1,270,912	103
Ducks	6,274	6,607	6,941	111	105	41,796	41,653	100
Other ¹	7	12	13	186	108	42	55	131
Total	491,779	517,317	509,187	104	98	2,800,946	2,899,080	104
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,484,757	3,647,906	3,540,382	102	97	20,292,532	20,637,558	102
Mature	49,014	45,913	49,195	100	107	272,561	262,965	96
Light	9,075	9,693	9,022	99	93	55,806	54,282	97
Heavy	39,939	36,220	40,173	101	111	216,755	208,683	96
Total	3,533,771	3,693,819	3,589,577	102	97	20,565,093	20,900,523	102
Turkeys								
Young	532,226	520,061	519,205	98	100	2,935,278	2,949,899	100
Old	3,140	3,153	3,015	96	96	19,787	18,794	95
Total	535,366	523,214	522,220	98	100	2,955,065	2,968,693	100
Ducks	10,423	10,998	10,921	105	99	67,594	67,301	100
Other ¹	142	139	204	144	147	813	801	99
Total	4,079,702	4,228,170	4,122,922	101	98	23,588,565	23,937,318	101

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2016	May 2017	June 2017	June 2017 as % of		January to June		2017 as percent of 2016
				June 2016	May 2017	2016	2017	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	10,673	10,192	10,162	95	100	61,910	61,096	99
Mature	879	819	865	98	106	5,096	4,937	97
Light	296	292	298	101	102	1,756	1,751	100
Heavy	583	527	567	97	108	3,340	3,186	95
Total	11,552	11,011	11,027	95	100	67,006	66,033	99
Turkeys								
Young	1,644	1,538	1,638	100	107	9,170	9,626	105
Old	52	45	43	83	96	321	300	93
Total	1,696	1,583	1,681	99	106	9,491	9,926	105
Ducks	41	39	51	124	131	232	239	103
Total ¹	13,289	12,633	12,759	96	101	76,729	76,198	99
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.23	0.21	0.22	96	105	0.23	0.22	96
Mature	1.16	1.15	1.14	98	99	1.20	1.21	101
Light	1.70	1.56	1.68	99	108	1.65	1.66	101
Heavy	1.00	1.01	0.98	98	97	1.05	1.06	101
Total	0.25	0.22	0.23	92	105	0.24	0.24	100
Turkeys								
Young	0.25	0.24	0.25	100	104	0.25	0.26	104
Old	1.24	1.08	1.05	85	97	1.22	1.20	98
Total	0.25	0.24	0.26	104	108	0.26	0.27	104
Ducks	0.29	0.26	0.34	117	131	0.25	0.26	104
Total ¹	0.25	0.23	0.23	92	100	0.25	0.24	96

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 2016	May 2017	June 2017	June 2017 as % of		January to June		2017 as percent of 2016
				June 2016	May 2017	2016	2017	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	29,875	30,338	28,824	96	95	187,003	175,102	94
Mature	2,616	2,366	2,481	95	105	15,897	13,544	85
Light	697	767	722	104	94	4,158	4,251	102
Heavy	1,919	1,599	1,759	92	110	11,739	9,293	79
Total	32,491	32,704	31,305	96	96	202,900	188,646	93
Turkeys								
Young	7,729	7,402	7,221	93	98	43,461	43,001	99
Old	160	179	178	111	99	885	1,057	119
Total	7,889	7,581	7,399	94	98	44,346	44,058	99
Ducks	309	288	282	91	98	1,811	1,767	98
Other ¹	2	4	3	150	75	9	15	167
Total	40,691	40,577	38,989	96	96	249,066	234,486	94
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.85	0.82	0.81	95	99	0.91	0.84	92
Mature	5.07	4.90	4.80	95	98	5.51	4.90	89
Light	7.13	7.33	7.41	104	101	6.93	7.26	105
Heavy	4.58	4.23	4.19	91	99	5.14	4.26	83
Total	0.91	0.88	0.86	95	98	0.98	0.89	91
Turkeys								
Young	1.43	1.40	1.37	96	98	1.46	1.44	99
Old	4.85	5.37	5.57	115	104	4.28	5.32	124
Total	1.45	1.43	1.40	97	98	1.48	1.46	99
Ducks	2.88	2.55	2.52	88	99	2.61	2.56	98
Other ¹	1.39	2.80	1.45	104	52	1.09	1.84	169
Total	0.99	0.95	0.94	95	99	1.04	0.97	93

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 2017

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	5,193	5,589	805,369	791,149
Mature	-	-	253	273	154,608	153,901
Light	-	-	184	195	112,959	111,414
Heavy	-	-	69	78	41,649	42,487
Total	-	-	5,446	5,862	959,977	945,050
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	47	50	25,136	20,721
Old	-	-	4	16	1,560	1,522
Total	-	-	51	66	26,696	22,243
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	640,694	525,330	2,984	2,672	12,905	13,321
Mature	25,810	27,217	944	909	36,350	36,778
Light	10,368	11,442	744	732	20,485	20,399
Heavy	15,442	15,775	200	177	15,865	16,379
Total	666,504	552,547	3,928	3,581	49,255	50,099
Turkeys						
Young	4,517	3,985	496	612	42	73
Old	694	775	14	17	313	317
Total	5,211	4,760	510	629	355	390
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	12,454	12,431	49,357	50,131	112,843	113,748
Mature	12,134	10,010	1,164	1,086	79,761	75,368
Light	11,631	9,521	629	556	72,128	67,241
Heavy	503	489	535	530	7,633	8,127
Total	24,588	22,441	50,521	51,217	192,604	189,116
Turkeys						
Young	106	97	584	537	1,015	1,199
Old	38	47	119	99	156	183
Total	144	144	703	636	1,171	1,382
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	32,782	32,627	853,242	807,305	2,527,823	2,354,303
Mature	625	828	105,485	106,795	417,134	413,165
Light	236	265	48,900	45,565	278,264	267,330
Heavy	389	563	56,585	61,230	138,870	145,835
Total	33,407	33,455	958,727	914,100	2,944,957	2,767,468
Turkeys						
Young	412	499	12,108	12,266	44,463	40,039
Old	33	67	270	289	3,201	3,332
Total	445	566	12,378	12,555	47,664	43,371

- 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 2017

[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	92,392	89,099	509,191	489,521	5.51	5.49
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	86,113	85,725	573,112	570,866	6.66	6.66
California	22,240	22,102	132,215	134,224	5.94	6.07
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware	34,328	34,484	248,265	246,189	7.23	7.14
Florida	5,765	5,470	31,820	31,098	5.52	5.69
Georgia	111,384	106,972	654,258	623,870	5.87	5.83
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	5,957	5,578	26,146	24,212	4.39	4.34
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,963	24,096	158,262	153,483	6.34	6.37
Louisiana	16,644	16,554	105,016	104,076	6.31	6.29
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	11,370	10,752	68,887	63,193	6.06	5.88
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,724	4,346	28,573	26,443	6.05	6.08
Mississippi	65,071	61,801	415,373	392,826	6.38	6.36
Missouri	37,251	37,869	182,151	182,894	4.89	4.83
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	132	121	663	583	5.01	4.82
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	2,341	2,184	11,603	10,731	4.96	4.91
North Carolina	68,224	67,346	530,677	524,740	7.78	7.79
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	8,232	8,828	43,273	46,491	5.26	5.27
Oklahoma	13,382	13,416	89,324	89,025	6.68	6.64
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	10,192	9,989	57,012	55,541	5.59	5.56
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	25,257	24,650	186,850	180,136	7.40	7.31
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	26,159	25,587	140,528	135,516	5.37	5.30
Texas	57,471	54,178	360,385	338,257	6.27	6.24
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	30,795	30,006	179,576	172,896	5.83	5.76
Washington	4,173	4,080	26,123	25,925	6.26	6.35
West Virginia	9,686	9,532	36,960	36,451	3.82	3.82
Wisconsin	4,642	4,427	19,298	18,851	4.16	4.26
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	782,516	762,537	4,838,295	4,699,188	6.18	6.16

- 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 2017

[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	386,702	372,887	2,942	2,788	0.76	0.74
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	431,958	428,896	3,344	3,409	0.77	0.79
California	98,644	99,667	1,524	1,544	1.52	1.53
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware	181,937	182,091	1,597	1,515	0.87	0.83
Florida	23,855	23,320	131	129	0.55	0.55
Georgia	493,881	468,560	4,089	3,696	0.82	0.78
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	19,093	17,678	129	126	0.67	0.71
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	119,504	115,930	1,291	1,179	1.07	1.01
Louisiana	79,084	78,566	498	503	0.63	0.64
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	50,984	46,568	751	600	1.45	1.27
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	24,257	22,148	254	199	1.04	0.89
Mississippi	322,004	304,376	2,130	2,142	0.66	0.70
Missouri	134,433	135,093	1,124	1,067	0.83	0.78
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	471	415	7	5	1.54	1.28
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	7,122	6,572	294	267	3.97	3.91
North Carolina	413,531	407,764	2,955	2,805	0.71	0.68
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	32,118	34,593	480	515	1.47	1.47
Oklahoma	67,173	66,934	394	390	0.58	0.58
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	38,648	37,586	1,126	976	2.83	2.53
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	141,018	135,880	796	794	0.56	0.58
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	103,235	99,462	519	520	0.50	0.52
Texas	273,661	257,648	2,197	2,017	0.80	0.78
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	128,166	123,348	883	746	0.68	0.60
Washington	19,518	19,370	110	123	0.56	0.63
West Virginia	26,513	26,151	95	86	0.36	0.33
Wisconsin	14,094	13,721	114	108	0.80	0.78
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,647,906	3,540,382	30,338	28,824	0.82	0.81

- 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 2017

[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	-	-	496	441	72,396	68,081
Arkansas	-	-	153	170	69,031	73,454
Delaware	-	-	2,011	2,341	57,744	54,736
Georgia	-	-	25	31	67,319	61,885
Mississippi	-	-	173	136	20,029	20,411
Missouri	-	-	43	27	39,431	35,617
North Carolina	-	-	135	149	84,395	81,028
Texas	-	-	110	108	64,568	65,584
Virginia	-	-	78	54	20,250	17,447
United States	-	-	5,193	5,589	805,369	791,149
State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	46,913	39,224	395	376	1,776	1,987
Arkansas	27,157	24,939	232	185	894	988
Delaware	55,701	47,823	37	31	746	755
Georgia	167,103	135,484	223	181	1,619	1,629
Mississippi	8,939	7,762	72	105	939	766
Missouri	6,618	4,845	12	29	508	585
North Carolina	43,841	37,933	189	171	1,427	1,441
Texas	20,972	20,566	708	547	487	526
Virginia	25,361	17,894	19	6	324	339
United States	640,694	525,330	2,984	2,672	12,905	13,321
State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	888	951	4,644	4,385	21,725	22,608
Arkansas	334	371	3,641	4,132	6,157	6,069
Delaware	1,052	948	2,005	2,069	4,738	4,396
Georgia	706	631	12,757	12,539	24,012	26,246
Mississippi	627	666	2,296	2,331	1,521	1,483
Missouri	148	121	553	449	2,291	2,214
North Carolina	897	840	9,205	8,986	4,684	4,369
Texas	374	453	374	466	4,485	5,058
Virginia	775	714	795	906	2,102	2,108
United States	12,454	12,431	49,357	50,131	112,843	113,748
State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,133	950	45,586	41,924	195,952	180,927
Arkansas	2,623	3,564	140,466	152,783	250,688	266,655
Delaware	3,835	2,492	6,149	5,442	134,018	121,033
Georgia	4,249	4,775	84,018	73,152	362,031	316,553
Mississippi	165	187	14,762	15,140	49,523	48,987
Missouri	120	101	20,746	20,792	70,470	64,780
North Carolina	3,246	2,658	67,778	56,002	215,797	193,577
Texas	1,197	1,349	16,297	18,876	109,572	113,533
Virginia	915	1,175	12,103	9,145	62,722	49,788
United States	32,782	32,627	853,242	807,305	2,527,823	2,354,303

- 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 2017

[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	3,218	3,130	64,639	63,468	20.09	20.28
California	739	848	22,561	25,254	30.51	29.79
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	1,941	2,033	79,042	82,813	40.72	40.73
Iowa	1,225	1,255	51,146	51,574	41.76	41.10
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,021	3,865	101,813	94,498	25.32	24.45
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	994	1,053	35,236	36,204	35.43	34.37
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	1,868	1,899	67,779	68,026	36.28	35.83
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	512	521	23,848	23,875	46.57	45.85
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	844	816	25,050	23,331	29.67	28.60
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	573	551	8,631	7,677	15.07	13.94
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	2,347	2,303	65,847	63,233	28.06	27.46
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	20,887	21,036	648,913	648,321	31.07	30.82

- Represents zero.

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: May and June 2017

[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	53,829	52,637	372	368	0.69	0.69
California	18,089	20,228	242	262	1.32	1.28
Colorado	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Georgia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	64,091	67,138	968	1,030	1.49	1.51
Iowa	40,262	40,594	625	636	1.53	1.54
Kansas	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	81,257	75,373	1,269	1,127	1.54	1.47
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	28,465	29,307	194	184	0.68	0.62
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	53,389	53,508	408	377	0.76	0.70
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	19,053	19,071	395	397	2.03	2.04
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	19,910	18,576	402	336	1.98	1.78
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Texas	7,250	6,449	39	43	0.53	0.67
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	53,362	51,141	779	678	1.44	1.31
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	520,061	519,205	7,402	7,221	1.40	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 310 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2015. Young chickens were slaughtered in 37 States, young turkeys in 30 States.

Revision Policy: Data for the previous month and year-to-date totals are subject to revision the following month after the initial monthly estimates are published. Final data are published in the annual summary released in February and include any revisions made to current year's and previous year's published data. Revisions are generally the result of late reports or corrections received by FSIS from plants and are usually less than one-half of one percent. No revisions will be made to the previous year's data after publication of the annual summary in February.

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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