



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 2 Percent from Last Year

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Poultry certified wholesome during July 2017 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.87 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the amount certified in July 2016. The June 2017 revised certified total at 4.13 billion pounds, was up 1 percent from June 2016. The June revision represented an increase of 2.09 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during July 2017 was 5.11 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 4.99 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.45 billion pounds, up 3 percent from July 2016. Mature chickens, at 65.9 million pounds, were down 3 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 585 million pounds, down 2 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 14.2 million pounds, up 3 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during July 2017 averaged 6.14 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from July 2016. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.25 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during July 2017 averaged 30.7 pounds per bird, up 1 percent from July 2016.

Ante-mortem condemnations during July 2017 totaled 12.7 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.25 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.26 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 35.9 million pounds, were 0.92 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	July 2016	June 2017	July 2017	July 2017 as % of		January to July		2017 as percent of 2016
				July 2016	June 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	708,391	763,000	724,431	102	95	5,075,096	5,160,926	102
Mature	10,984	12,321	10,549	96	86	82,374	79,025	96
Light	4,560	5,248	4,305	94	82	36,925	35,797	97
Heavy	6,424	7,073	6,244	97	88	45,449	43,228	95
Total	719,375	775,321	734,980	102	95	5,157,470	5,239,951	102
Turkeys								
Young	19,586	21,036	18,942	97	90	137,216	136,364	99
Old	141	138	118	84	86	1,079	972	90
Total	19,727	21,174	19,060	97	90	138,295	137,336	99
Ducks	2,021	2,176	2,051	101	94	15,569	15,423	99
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,313,651	4,702,087	4,446,662	103	95	31,262,906	31,841,067	102
Mature	67,840	75,786	65,880	97	87	491,149	472,793	96
Light	15,188	17,744	14,730	97	83	121,605	120,086	99
Heavy	52,652	58,042	51,150	97	88	369,544	352,707	95
Total	4,381,491	4,777,873	4,512,542	103	94	31,754,055	32,313,860	102
Turkeys								
Young	594,768	648,321	581,127	98	90	4,255,511	4,262,386	100
Old	4,019	4,085	3,489	87	85	30,300	28,493	94
Total	598,787	652,406	584,616	98	90	4,285,811	4,290,879	100
Ducks	13,760	15,026	14,173	103	94	106,616	106,524	100
Other ¹	213	326	246	115	75	1,416	1,449	102
Total	4,994,251	5,445,631	5,111,577	102	94	36,147,898	36,712,712	102
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	6.09	6.16	6.14	101	100	6.16	6.17	100
Mature	6.18	6.15	6.25	101	102	5.96	5.98	100
Light	3.33	3.38	3.42	103	101	3.29	3.35	102
Heavy	8.20	8.21	8.19	100	100	8.13	8.16	100
Total	6.09	6.16	6.14	101	100	6.16	6.17	100
Turkeys								
Young	30.37	30.82	30.68	101	100	31.01	31.26	101
Old	28.50	29.60	29.57	104	100	28.08	29.31	104
Total	30.35	30.81	30.67	101	100	30.99	31.24	101
Ducks	6.81	6.91	6.91	101	100	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	July 2016	June 2017	July 2017	July 2017 as % of		January to July		2017 as percent of 2016
				July 2016	June 2017	2016	2017	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	3,009,930	3,264,982	3,091,930	103	95	21,781,984	22,144,831	102
Mature	43,714	49,195	43,009	98	87	316,240	305,969	97
Light	7,822	9,022	7,585	97	84	63,624	61,864	97
Heavy	35,892	40,173	35,424	99	88	252,616	244,105	97
Total	3,053,644	3,314,177	3,134,939	103	95	22,098,224	22,450,800	102
Turkeys								
Young	269,891	294,238	266,267	99	90	1,968,664	1,945,671	99
Old	2,938	2,947	2,561	87	87	20,635	20,938	101
Total	272,829	297,185	268,828	99	90	1,989,299	1,966,609	99
Ducks	3,900	3,980	3,938	101	99	29,698	29,586	100
Other ¹	135	191	157	116	82	906	903	100
Total	3,330,508	3,615,533	3,407,862	102	94	24,118,127	24,447,898	101
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	236,225	277,485	257,509	109	93	1,756,703	1,844,251	105
Mature	-	-	1	(X)	(X)	35	6	17
Light	-	-	1	(X)	(X)	4	4	100
Heavy	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	31	2	6
Total	236,225	277,485	257,510	109	93	1,756,738	1,844,257	105
Turkeys								
Young	206,313	224,967	198,660	96	88	1,442,818	1,469,155	102
Old	71	68	60	85	88	2,161	477	22
Total	206,384	225,035	198,720	96	88	1,444,979	1,469,632	102
Ducks	6,092	6,941	6,377	105	92	47,888	48,030	100
Other ¹	7	13	5	71	38	49	60	122
Total	448,708	509,474	462,612	103	91	3,249,654	3,361,979	103
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,246,155	3,542,467	3,349,439	103	95	23,538,687	23,989,082	102
Mature	43,714	49,195	43,010	98	87	316,275	305,975	97
Light	7,822	9,022	7,586	97	84	63,628	61,868	97
Heavy	35,892	40,173	35,424	99	88	252,647	244,107	97
Total	3,289,869	3,591,662	3,392,449	103	94	23,854,962	24,295,057	102
Turkeys								
Young	476,204	519,205	464,927	98	90	3,411,482	3,414,826	100
Old	3,009	3,015	2,621	87	87	22,796	21,415	94
Total	479,213	522,220	467,548	98	90	3,434,278	3,436,241	100
Ducks	9,992	10,921	10,315	103	94	77,586	77,616	100
Other ¹	142	204	162	114	79	955	963	101
Total	3,779,216	4,125,007	3,870,474	102	94	27,367,781	27,809,877	102

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2016	June 2017	July 2017	July 2017 as % of		January to July		2017 as percent of 2016
				July 2016	June 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	10,533	10,168	10,229	97	101	72,443	71,331	98
Mature	867	865	792	91	92	5,963	5,729	96
Light	297	298	262	88	88	2,053	2,013	98
Heavy	570	567	530	93	93	3,910	3,716	95
Total	11,400	11,033	11,021	97	100	78,406	77,060	98
Turkeys								
Young	1,647	1,638	1,602	97	98	10,817	11,228	104
Old	60	43	54	90	126	381	354	93
Total	1,707	1,681	1,656	97	99	11,198	11,582	103
Ducks	47	51	52	111	102	279	291	104
Total ¹	13,154	12,765	12,729	97	100	89,883	88,933	99
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.24	0.22	0.23	96	105	0.23	0.22	96
Mature	1.28	1.14	1.20	94	105	1.21	1.21	100
Light	1.96	1.68	1.78	91	106	1.69	1.68	99
Heavy	1.08	0.98	1.04	96	106	1.06	1.05	99
Total	0.26	0.23	0.24	92	104	0.25	0.24	96
Turkeys								
Young	0.28	0.25	0.28	100	112	0.25	0.26	104
Old	1.49	1.05	1.55	104	148	1.26	1.24	98
Total	0.29	0.26	0.28	97	108	0.26	0.27	104
Ducks	0.34	0.34	0.37	109	109	0.26	0.27	104
Total ¹	0.26	0.23	0.25	96	109	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	July 2016	June 2017	July 2017	July 2017 as % of		January to July		2017 as percent of 2016
				July 2016	June 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	27,655	28,831	26,735	97	93	214,658	201,844	94
Mature	2,314	2,481	2,104	91	85	18,211	15,648	86
Light	597	722	606	102	84	4,755	4,857	102
Heavy	1,717	1,759	1,498	87	85	13,456	10,791	80
Total	29,969	31,312	28,839	96	92	232,869	217,492	93
Turkeys								
Young	7,196	7,221	6,632	92	92	50,657	49,633	98
Old	158	178	155	98	87	1,043	1,212	116
Total	7,354	7,399	6,787	92	92	51,700	50,845	98
Ducks	281	282	259	92	92	2,092	2,026	97
Other ¹	2	3	2	100	67	11	17	155
Total	37,606	38,996	35,887	95	92	286,672	270,380	94
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.84	0.81	0.79	94	98	0.90	0.83	92
Mature	5.03	4.80	4.66	93	97	5.44	4.87	90
Light	7.09	7.41	7.40	104	100	6.95	7.28	105
Heavy	4.57	4.19	4.06	89	97	5.06	4.23	84
Total	0.90	0.86	0.84	93	98	0.97	0.89	92
Turkeys								
Young	1.49	1.37	1.41	95	103	1.46	1.43	98
Old	4.99	5.57	5.58	112	100	4.38	5.36	122
Total	1.51	1.40	1.43	95	102	1.48	1.46	99
Ducks	2.74	2.52	2.45	89	97	2.63	2.54	97
Other ¹	1.39	1.45	1.22	88	84	1.14	1.73	152
Total	0.99	0.94	0.92	93	98	1.04	0.96	92

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: June and July 2017

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	5,589	5,136	791,354	743,979
Mature	-	-	273	203	153,901	138,638
Light	-	-	195	148	111,414	99,006
Heavy	-	-	78	55	42,487	39,632
Total	-	-	5,862	5,339	945,255	882,617
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	50	39	20,721	19,031
Old	-	-	16	22	1,522	1,147
Total	-	-	66	61	22,243	20,178
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	525,340	461,034	2,673	2,970	13,331	13,349
Mature	27,217	24,937	909	1,013	36,778	33,537
Light	11,442	10,711	732	815	20,399	17,711
Heavy	15,775	14,226	177	198	16,379	15,826
Total	552,557	485,971	3,582	3,983	50,109	46,886
Turkeys						
Young	3,985	3,757	612	431	73	52
Old	775	619	17	21	317	272
Total	4,760	4,376	629	452	390	324
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	12,431	11,696	50,142	49,190	113,753	110,508
Mature	10,010	9,063	1,086	959	75,368	66,415
Light	9,521	8,611	556	514	67,241	59,562
Heavy	489	452	530	445	8,127	6,853
Total	22,441	20,759	51,228	50,149	189,121	176,923
Turkeys						
Young	97	91	537	465	1,199	979
Old	47	38	99	71	183	189
Total	144	129	636	536	1,382	1,168
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	32,627	33,979	807,350	733,630	2,354,590	2,165,471
Mature	828	1,045	106,795	98,241	413,165	374,051
Light	265	317	45,565	44,379	267,330	241,774
Heavy	563	728	61,230	53,862	145,835	132,277
Total	33,455	35,024	914,145	831,871	2,767,755	2,539,522
Turkeys						
Young	499	455	12,266	12,342	40,039	37,642
Old	67	94	289	262	3,332	2,735
Total	566	549	12,555	12,604	43,371	40,377

- 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 2017

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	89,099	86,239	489,521	473,493	5.49	5.49
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	85,922	80,864	572,321	534,103	6.66	6.60
California	22,102	20,170	134,224	122,940	6.07	6.10
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware	34,484	30,822	246,189	218,260	7.14	7.08
Florida	5,470	5,452	31,098	31,537	5.69	5.78
Georgia	107,238	103,361	625,314	596,571	5.83	5.77
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	5,578	5,678	24,212	24,624	4.34	4.34
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,096	22,751	153,483	141,995	6.37	6.24
Louisiana	16,554	15,593	104,076	97,631	6.29	6.26
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	10,752	9,830	63,193	58,584	5.88	5.96
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,346	4,665	26,443	28,397	6.08	6.09
Mississippi	61,801	58,837	392,826	371,520	6.36	6.31
Missouri	37,869	34,601	182,894	167,181	4.83	4.83
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	121	137	583	655	4.82	4.76
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	2,184	2,093	10,731	10,445	4.91	4.99
North Carolina	67,346	63,317	524,740	492,682	7.79	7.78
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	8,828	8,276	46,491	42,755	5.27	5.17
Oklahoma	13,416	12,502	89,025	82,200	6.64	6.57
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	9,989	9,166	55,541	51,341	5.56	5.60
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	24,650	23,512	180,136	175,580	7.31	7.47
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	25,587	24,320	135,516	129,435	5.30	5.32
Texas	54,178	53,414	338,257	335,855	6.24	6.29
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	30,006	28,845	172,896	164,201	5.76	5.69
Washington	4,080	3,698	25,925	23,466	6.35	6.34
West Virginia	9,532	9,149	36,451	35,404	3.82	3.87
Wisconsin	4,427	4,061	18,851	17,196	4.26	4.23
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	763,000	724,431	4,702,087	4,446,662	6.16	6.14

- 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 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	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	372,887	360,082	2,788	2,705	0.74	0.75
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	429,907	401,525	3,412	3,125	0.79	0.77
California	99,667	91,493	1,544	1,241	1.53	1.34
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware	182,091	161,748	1,515	1,327	0.83	0.81
Florida	23,320	23,652	129	117	0.55	0.49
Georgia	469,634	449,698	3,700	3,584	0.78	0.79
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	17,678	17,983	126	119	0.71	0.65
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	115,930	107,230	1,179	1,090	1.01	1.01
Louisiana	78,566	73,757	503	475	0.64	0.64
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	46,568	43,197	600	574	1.27	1.31
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	22,148	23,467	199	192	0.89	0.81
Mississippi	304,376	286,317	2,142	1,983	0.70	0.69
Missouri	135,093	123,182	1,067	992	0.78	0.80
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	415	468	5	7	1.28	1.55
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	6,572	6,482	267	247	3.91	3.67
North Carolina	407,764	382,929	2,805	2,646	0.68	0.69
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	34,593	31,814	515	458	1.47	1.42
Oklahoma	66,934	61,799	390	357	0.58	0.57
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	37,586	34,859	976	931	2.53	2.60
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	135,880	132,269	794	760	0.58	0.57
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	99,462	95,251	520	459	0.52	0.48
Texas	257,648	254,450	2,017	1,893	0.78	0.74
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	123,348	116,990	746	680	0.60	0.58
Washington	19,370	17,545	123	104	0.63	0.59
West Virginia	26,151	25,354	86	79	0.33	0.31
Wisconsin	13,721	12,550	108	98	0.78	0.78
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,542,467	3,349,439	28,831	26,735	0.81	0.79

- 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 2017

[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	-	-	441	373	68,081	65,055
Arkansas	-	-	170	212	73,659	69,603
Delaware	-	-	2,341	1,742	54,736	49,961
Georgia	-	-	31	23	61,885	60,239
Mississippi	-	-	136	111	20,411	18,725
Missouri	-	-	27	23	35,617	34,936
North Carolina	-	-	149	138	81,028	80,224
Texas	-	-	108	114	65,584	62,520
Virginia	-	-	54	47	17,447	15,046
United States	-	-	5,589	5,136	791,354	743,979

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	39,224	39,212	376	341	1,987	2,074
Arkansas	24,949	23,932	186	249	998	887
Delaware	47,823	40,778	31	26	755	706
Georgia	135,484	115,817	181	132	1,629	1,601
Mississippi	7,762	6,232	105	86	766	688
Missouri	4,845	3,897	29	30	585	691
North Carolina	37,933	33,027	171	163	1,441	1,254
Texas	20,566	19,133	547	707	526	537
Virginia	17,894	14,560	6	20	339	314
United States	525,340	461,034	2,673	2,970	13,331	13,349

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	951	1,024	4,385	4,500	22,608	20,928
Arkansas	371	334	4,143	4,398	6,074	6,137
Delaware	948	868	2,069	2,018	4,396	3,775
Georgia	631	817	12,539	12,645	26,246	25,770
Mississippi	666	658	2,331	2,465	1,483	1,426
Missouri	121	136	449	430	2,214	2,168
North Carolina	840	724	8,986	7,596	4,369	4,592
Texas	453	491	466	496	5,058	4,736
Virginia	714	755	906	916	2,108	1,831
United States	12,431	11,696	50,142	49,190	113,753	110,508

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	950	1,147	41,924	39,969	180,927	174,623
Arkansas	3,564	3,480	152,828	146,010	266,942	255,242
Delaware	2,492	2,603	5,442	5,418	121,033	107,895
Georgia	4,775	4,298	73,152	76,469	316,553	297,811
Mississippi	187	180	15,140	12,695	48,987	43,266
Missouri	101	118	20,792	21,126	64,780	63,555
North Carolina	2,658	3,060	56,002	49,554	193,577	180,332
Texas	1,349	1,657	18,876	17,442	113,533	107,833
Virginia	1,175	1,306	9,145	7,358	49,788	42,153
United States	32,627	33,979	807,350	733,630	2,354,590	2,165,471

- 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 2017

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	3,130	2,610	63,468	52,318	20.28	20.05
California	848	754	25,254	20,923	29.79	27.77
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	2,033	1,866	82,813	75,590	40.73	40.52
Iowa	1,255	1,168	51,574	46,733	41.10	40.02
Kansas	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,865	3,726	94,498	93,451	24.45	25.08
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	1,053	927	36,204	31,513	34.37	33.98
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	1,899	1,755	68,026	62,277	35.83	35.48
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	521	475	23,875	21,115	45.85	44.48
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Pennsylvania	816	756	23,331	21,802	28.60	28.85
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	551	403	7,677	5,612	13.94	13.92
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	2,303	2,074	63,233	56,412	27.46	27.20
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	21,036	18,942	648,321	581,127	30.82	30.68

- Represents zero.

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: June and July 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	
	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	52,637	43,413	368	351	0.69	0.80
California	20,228	16,777	262	197	1.28	1.16
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	67,138	61,256	1,030	991	1.51	1.59
Iowa	40,594	36,739	636	567	1.54	1.52
Kansas	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	75,373	74,624	1,127	1,064	1.47	1.41
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	29,307	25,514	184	149	0.62	0.58
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	53,508	48,991	377	331	0.70	0.67
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	19,071	16,860	397	371	2.04	2.15
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Pennsylvania	18,576	17,245	336	337	1.78	1.92
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	6,449	4,714	43	36	0.67	0.75
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	51,141	45,531	678	638	1.31	1.38
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	519,205	464,927	7,221	6,632	1.37	1.41

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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.

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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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