



Poultry Slaughter

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

July 2020 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

July 2021 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Poultry certified wholesome during July 2021 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 4.26 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the amount certified in July 2020. The June 2021 revised certified total at 4.47 billion pounds, was up 3 percent from June 2020. The June revision represented an increase of 11.2 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during July 2021 was 5.62 billion pounds, down 1 percent from 5.69 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.96 billion pounds, down slightly from July 2020. Mature chickens, at 67.6 million pounds, were down 5 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 574 million pounds, down 9 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 13.9 million pounds, up 40 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during July 2021 averaged 6.46 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from July 2020. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.94 pounds per bird, up slightly from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during July 2021 averaged 32.0 pounds per bird, down 1 percent from July 2020.

Ante-mortem condemnations during July 2021 totaled 13.6 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.24 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.24 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 26.6 million pounds, were 0.62 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.66 percent a year earlier.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2020	June 2021	July 2021	July 2021 as % of		January to July		2021 as percent of 2020
				July 2020	June 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	786,204	804,545	768,252	98	95	5,392,331	5,328,470	99
Mature	10,284	10,871	9,740	95	90	69,030	67,714	98
Light	3,029	3,352	2,985	99	89	20,736	21,525	104
Heavy	7,255	7,519	6,755	93	90	48,294	46,189	96
Total	796,488	815,416	777,992	98	95	5,461,361	5,396,184	99
Turkeys								
Young	19,563	18,902	17,842	91	94	127,385	122,550	96
Old	109	162	114	105	70	872	966	111
Total	19,672	19,064	17,956	91	94	128,257	123,516	96
Ducks	1,472	2,081	2,001	136	96	13,752	13,538	98
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,973,291	5,208,055	4,963,929	100	95	34,416,540	34,283,108	100
Mature	71,022	73,308	67,623	95	92	470,569	456,980	97
Light	10,629	11,786	10,604	100	90	71,935	74,699	104
Heavy	60,393	61,522	57,019	94	93	398,634	382,281	96
Total	5,044,313	5,281,363	5,031,552	100	95	34,887,109	34,740,088	100
Turkeys								
Young	630,187	605,013	570,399	91	94	4,162,638	4,037,644	97
Old	3,225	5,084	3,454	107	68	26,502	29,157	110
Total	633,412	610,097	573,853	91	94	4,189,140	4,066,801	97
Ducks	9,936	14,332	13,866	140	97	95,691	94,367	99
Other ¹	247	310	273	111	88	1,564	1,363	87
Total	5,687,908	5,906,102	5,619,544	99	95	39,173,504	38,902,619	99
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	6.33	6.47	6.46	102	100	6.38	6.43	101
Mature	6.91	6.74	6.94	100	103	6.82	6.75	99
Light	3.51	3.52	3.55	101	101	3.47	3.47	100
Heavy	8.32	8.18	8.44	101	103	8.25	8.28	100
Total	6.33	6.48	6.47	102	100	6.39	6.44	101
Turkeys								
Young	32.21	32.01	31.97	99	100	32.68	32.95	101
Old	29.59	31.38	30.30	102	97	30.39	30.18	99
Total	32.20	32.00	31.96	99	100	32.66	32.93	101
Ducks	6.75	6.89	6.93	103	101	6.96	6.97	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 2020	June 2021	July 2021	July 2021 as % of		January to July		2021 as percent of 2020
				July 2020	June 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	3,479,648	3,655,987	3,487,489	100	95	24,062,642	24,110,012	100
Mature	49,719	50,306	46,618	94	93	321,336	313,447	98
Light	5,388	6,031	5,516	102	91	36,862	38,406	104
Heavy	44,331	44,275	41,102	93	93	284,474	275,041	97
Total	3,529,367	3,706,293	3,534,107	100	95	24,383,978	24,423,459	100
Turkeys								
Young	311,084	292,602	273,336	88	93	2,070,696	1,983,483	96
Old	2,296	3,794	2,540	111	67	19,343	21,657	112
Total	313,380	296,396	275,876	88	93	2,090,039	2,005,140	96
Ducks	2,994	3,389	3,516	117	104	25,952	22,682	87
Other ¹	152	191	162	107	85	976	841	86
Total	3,845,893	4,006,269	3,813,661	99	95	26,500,945	26,452,122	100
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	266,171	267,571	256,884	97	96	1,861,179	1,759,263	95
Mature	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Light	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Heavy	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Total	266,171	267,571	256,884	97	96	1,861,179	1,759,263	95
Turkeys								
Young	191,663	191,037	181,968	95	95	1,252,783	1,241,079	99
Old	62	79	65	105	82	480	453	94
Total	191,725	191,116	182,033	95	95	1,253,263	1,241,532	99
Ducks	4,330	7,064	6,616	153	94	43,935	46,548	106
Other ¹	12	13	13	108	100	89	75	84
Total	462,238	465,764	445,546	96	96	3,158,466	3,047,418	96
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,745,819	3,923,558	3,744,373	100	95	25,923,821	25,869,275	100
Mature	49,719	50,306	46,618	94	93	321,336	313,447	98
Light	5,388	6,031	5,516	102	91	36,862	38,406	104
Heavy	44,331	44,275	41,102	93	93	284,474	275,041	97
Total	3,795,538	3,973,864	3,790,991	100	95	26,245,157	26,182,722	100
Turkeys								
Young	502,747	483,639	455,304	91	94	3,323,479	3,224,562	97
Old	2,358	3,873	2,605	110	67	19,823	22,110	112
Total	505,105	487,512	457,909	91	94	3,343,302	3,246,672	97
Ducks	7,324	10,453	10,132	138	97	69,887	69,230	99
Other ¹	164	204	175	107	86	1,065	916	86
Total	4,308,131	4,472,033	4,259,207	99	95	29,659,411	29,499,540	99

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	July 2020	June 2021	July 2021	July 2021 as % of		January to July		2021 as percent of 2020
				July 2020	June 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	10,796	10,595	10,588	98	100	69,992	69,206	99
Mature	694	718	725	104	101	4,173	4,568	109
Light	158	134	140	89	104	724	714	99
Heavy	536	584	585	109	100	3,449	3,854	112
Total	11,490	11,313	11,313	98	100	74,165	73,774	99
Turkeys								
Young	1,957	1,944	2,115	108	109	11,300	12,613	112
Old	46	42	53	115	126	261	313	120
Total	2,003	1,986	2,168	108	109	11,561	12,926	112
Ducks	61	93	109	179	117	439	491	112
Total ¹	13,554	13,392	13,590	100	101	86,165	87,191	101
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.22	0.20	0.21	95	105	0.20	0.20	100
Mature	0.98	0.98	1.07	109	109	0.89	1.00	112
Light	1.49	1.14	1.32	89	116	1.01	0.96	95
Heavy	0.89	0.95	1.03	116	108	0.87	1.01	116
Total	0.23	0.21	0.22	96	105	0.21	0.21	100
Turkeys								
Young	0.31	0.32	0.37	119	116	0.27	0.31	115
Old	1.43	0.83	1.53	107	184	0.98	1.07	109
Total	0.32	0.33	0.38	119	115	0.28	0.32	114
Ducks	0.61	0.65	0.79	130	122	0.46	0.52	113
Total ¹	0.24	0.23	0.24	100	104	0.22	0.22	100

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 2020	June 2021	July 2021	July 2021 as % of		January to July		2021 as percent of 2020
				July 2020	June 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	19,473	19,675	18,367	94	93	154,475	131,400	85
Mature	2,499	2,541	2,210	88	87	11,361	14,288	126
Light	396	456	412	104	90	2,987	3,177	106
Heavy	2,103	2,085	1,798	85	86	8,374	11,111	133
Total	21,972	22,216	20,577	94	93	165,836	145,688	88
Turkeys								
Young	6,326	6,180	5,717	90	93	44,928	41,363	92
Old	109	140	151	139	108	965	898	93
Total	6,435	6,320	5,868	91	93	45,893	42,261	92
Ducks	173	225	200	116	89	1,875	1,342	72
Other ¹	2	2	3	150	150	15	15	100
Total	28,582	28,763	26,648	93	93	213,619	189,306	89
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.52	0.50	0.49	94	98	0.59	0.51	86
Mature	4.79	4.81	4.53	95	94	3.41	4.36	128
Light	6.85	7.03	6.95	101	99	7.50	7.64	102
Heavy	4.53	4.50	4.19	92	93	2.86	3.88	136
Total	0.58	0.56	0.54	93	96	0.63	0.55	87
Turkeys								
Young	1.24	1.26	1.24	100	98	1.33	1.27	95
Old	4.42	3.49	5.48	124	157	4.64	3.90	84
Total	1.26	1.28	1.27	101	99	1.35	1.28	95
Ducks	2.31	2.11	1.94	84	92	2.61	1.90	73
Other ¹	1.20	0.97	1.69	141	174	1.39	1.61	116
Total	0.66	0.64	0.62	94	97	0.72	0.64	89

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

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

Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause and Type – United States: June and July 2021

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	942	1,016	493,081	479,264
Mature	-	-	107	111	82,277	70,656
Light	-	-	66	73	57,284	46,670
Heavy	-	-	41	38	24,993	23,986
Total	-	-	1,049	1,127	575,358	549,920
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	71	21	8,117	8,986
Old	-	-	3	17	979	917
Total	-	-	74	38	9,096	9,903
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	248,438	237,119	1,220	1,165	12,400	11,849
Mature	8,052	9,278	146	260	39,378	36,988
Light	3,682	3,614	41	114	22,645	19,052
Heavy	4,370	5,664	105	146	16,733	17,936
Total	256,490	246,397	1,366	1,425	51,778	48,837
Turkeys						
Young	1,510	2,277	52	17	25	14
Old	234	397	5	19	75	94
Total	1,744	2,674	57	36	100	108
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	7,029	6,794	31,394	31,486	72,874	75,224
Mature	1,428	1,628	238	210	27,265	24,174
Light	1,003	1,235	96	97	22,791	19,305
Heavy	425	393	142	113	4,474	4,869
Total	8,457	8,422	31,632	31,696	100,139	99,398
Turkeys						
Young	147	60	160	138	1,052	1,014
Old	15	11	42	18	92	96
Total	162	71	202	156	1,144	1,110
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	29,982	28,493	641,424	623,325	1,538,784	1,495,735
Mature	304	287	49,912	46,202	209,107	189,794
Light	28	45	26,959	24,223	134,595	114,428
Heavy	276	242	22,953	21,979	74,512	75,366
Total	30,286	28,780	691,336	669,527	1,747,891	1,685,529
Turkeys						
Young	112	176	11,446	10,441	22,692	23,144
Old	36	14	1,158	1,292	2,639	2,875
Total	148	190	12,604	11,733	25,331	26,019

- 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 Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: June and July 2021

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	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	103,063	94,824	580,717	529,897	5.63	5.59
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	85,241	80,563	603,006	571,627	7.07	7.10
California	23,173	21,115	143,112	127,094	6.18	6.02
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	31,429	29,776	242,424	228,845	7.71	7.69
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	106,146	102,549	658,534	628,689	6.20	6.13
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	6,623	6,664	29,551	30,493	4.46	4.58
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,947	22,986	164,351	149,709	6.59	6.51
Louisiana	15,836	14,603	106,962	98,872	6.75	6.77
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	11,851	11,539	77,110	75,291	6.51	6.53
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	59,584	56,919	371,975	352,311	6.24	6.19
Missouri	36,345	33,797	189,777	179,361	5.22	5.31
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	2,504	2,474	11,771	11,853	4.70	4.79
North Carolina	80,979	77,845	672,340	641,915	8.30	8.25
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	10,821	11,211	70,306	72,760	6.50	6.49
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	11,864	11,301	69,245	66,876	5.84	5.92
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	25,126	25,362	189,492	191,138	7.54	7.54
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	27,561	26,742	161,273	156,207	5.85	5.84
Texas	60,641	61,421	408,853	421,716	6.74	6.87
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	28,873	26,958	182,949	168,748	6.34	6.26
Washington	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	804,545	768,252	5,208,055	4,963,929	6.47	6.46

- 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 2021

[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	440,830	402,083	2,093	1,701	0.47	0.42
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	453,059	431,631	1,809	1,636	0.40	0.38
California	106,766	95,608	1,289	967	1.19	1.00
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	186,967	175,826	633	588	0.34	0.33
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	491,493	469,459	3,147	2,905	0.64	0.62
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	21,528	22,203	124	154	0.57	0.69
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	124,212	113,440	545	544	0.44	0.48
Louisiana	80,888	74,892	355	366	0.44	0.49
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	57,748	56,489	311	290	0.54	0.51
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	276,162	263,904	1,141	1,073	0.41	0.41
Missouri	139,498	132,106	515	391	0.37	0.30
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	7,094	7,260	90	78	1.26	1.06
North Carolina	518,286	494,646	1,717	1,522	0.33	0.31
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	52,643	54,574	231	224	0.44	0.41
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	48,501	46,769	759	804	1.54	1.69
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	142,567	143,758	868	924	0.61	0.64
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	119,555	115,761	450	565	0.37	0.49
Texas	315,236	324,126	1,396	1,356	0.44	0.42
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	136,534	126,089	360	346	0.26	0.27
Washington	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,923,558	3,744,373	19,675	18,367	0.50	0.49

- 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 Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause – States and United States: June and July 2021

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

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	-	-	64	77	31,230	27,386
Arkansas	-	-	36	36	31,014	30,967
Delaware	-	-	40	44	15,503	16,197
Georgia	-	-	8	3	43,997	47,425
Mississippi	-	-	34	34	9,749	9,749
North Carolina	-	-	68	68	41,380	41,381
Texas	-	-	95	98	55,420	54,781
Virginia	-	-	13	4	17,752	17,354
United States	-	-	942	1,016	493,081	479,264
State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	26,550	26,198	93	85	1,187	1,170
Arkansas	6,714	6,759	75	74	1,001	1,001
Delaware	10,171	9,787	23	24	239	213
Georgia	73,015	67,954	60	70	1,603	1,702
Mississippi	5,237	5,237	10	10	568	568
North Carolina	10,573	10,573	47	47	903	903
Texas	16,273	16,274	128	150	880	882
Virginia	10,045	8,767	9	3	150	133
United States	248,438	237,119	1,220	1,165	12,400	11,849
State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	593	612	3,008	2,856	12,341	11,952
Arkansas	162	167	2,795	2,795	3,266	3,292
Delaware	410	441	714	734	2,187	2,247
Georgia	838	511	7,566	7,368	11,240	12,942
Mississippi	433	433	1,885	1,885	787	787
North Carolina	359	359	3,640	3,640	2,123	2,123
Texas	360	390	317	328	3,765	3,977
Virginia	791	921	554	428	1,521	1,617
United States	7,029	6,794	31,394	31,486	72,874	75,224
State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	442	402	62,852	42,614	138,360	113,352
Arkansas	1,794	1,793	81,321	81,294	128,178	128,178
Delaware	1,406	1,611	3,904	3,768	34,597	35,066
Georgia	10,820	8,799	126,338	133,601	275,485	280,375
Mississippi	1,015	1,015	5,717	5,717	25,435	25,435
North Carolina	1,986	1,986	19,711	19,711	80,790	80,791
Texas	795	1,975	18,351	18,132	96,384	96,987
Virginia	575	386	10,684	11,950	42,094	41,563
United States	29,982	28,493	641,424	623,325	1,538,784	1,495,735

- 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 Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: June and July 2021

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	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	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	2,987	2,636	61,495	55,570	20.59	21.08
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	1	(Z)	22	7	27.99	31.99
Indiana	2,180	2,079	89,764	82,832	41.18	39.84
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,119	3,972	98,979	94,107	24.03	23.69
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	831	796	30,558	26,449	36.78	33.24
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	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	549	518	25,081	23,946	45.66	46.25
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	624	587	18,220	17,718	29.21	30.16
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	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	18,902	17,842	605,013	570,399	32.01	31.97

- Represents zero.

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

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

Young Turkeys Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: June and July 2021

[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	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	51,241	46,227	455	351	0.88	0.75
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	17	5	-	-	(X)	(X)
Indiana	72,272	66,596	852	821	1.17	1.22
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	79,184	75,275	1,004	908	1.25	1.19
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	24,990	21,355	295	262	1.17	1.21
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	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	20,048	19,131	249	269	1.23	1.39
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	14,316	14,063	289	328	1.98	2.28
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	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	483,639	455,304	6,180	5,717	1.26	1.24

- Represents zero.

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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 361 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2020. Young chickens were slaughtered in 38 States, young turkeys in 31 States.

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