



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 3 Percent from Last Year

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Poultry certified wholesome during June 2021 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 4.46 billion pounds, up 3 percent from the amount certified in June 2020. The May 2021 revised certified total at 4.12 billion pounds, was up 2 percent from May 2020. The May revision represented an increase of 1.84 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during June 2021 was 5.89 billion pounds, up 3 percent from 5.72 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 5.19 billion pounds, up 4 percent from June 2020. Mature chickens, at 72.5 million pounds, were up 8 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 610 million pounds, down 3 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 14.3 million pounds, up 45 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2021 averaged 6.47 pounds per bird, down slightly from June 2020. The average live weight of mature chickens was 6.73 pounds per bird, unchanged from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2021 averaged 32.0 pounds per bird, down 2 percent from June 2020.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2021 totaled 13.4 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.23 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.22 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 28.7 million pounds, were 0.64 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.67 percent a year earlier.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2020	May 2021	June 2021	June 2021 as % of		January to June		2021 as percent of 2020
				June 2020	May 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	773,413	738,961	802,219	104	109	4,606,127	4,557,892	99
Mature	9,958	9,627	10,774	108	112	58,746	57,877	99
Light	3,192	2,979	3,352	105	113	17,707	18,540	105
Heavy	6,766	6,648	7,422	110	112	41,039	39,337	96
Total	783,371	748,588	812,993	104	109	4,664,873	4,615,769	99
Turkeys								
Young	18,983	17,161	18,914	100	110	107,822	104,720	97
Old	127	117	162	128	138	763	852	112
Total	19,110	17,278	19,076	100	110	108,585	105,572	97
Ducks	1,442	1,898	2,076	144	109	12,280	11,532	94
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5,011,992	4,776,173	5,194,074	104	109	29,443,249	29,305,198	100
Mature	67,065	65,620	72,488	108	110	399,547	388,537	97
Light	11,152	10,283	11,786	106	115	61,306	64,095	105
Heavy	55,913	55,337	60,702	109	110	338,241	324,442	96
Total	5,079,057	4,841,793	5,266,562	104	109	29,842,796	29,693,735	100
Turkeys								
Young	622,960	561,687	605,123	97	108	3,532,451	3,467,355	98
Old	3,963	3,589	5,084	128	142	23,277	25,703	110
Total	626,923	565,276	610,207	97	108	3,555,728	3,493,058	98
Ducks	9,908	13,191	14,332	145	109	85,755	80,501	94
Other ¹	262	165	310	118	188	1,317	1,090	83
Total	5,716,150	5,420,425	5,891,411	103	109	33,485,596	33,268,384	99
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	6.48	6.46	6.47	100	100	6.39	6.43	101
Mature	6.73	6.82	6.73	100	99	6.80	6.71	99
Light	3.49	3.45	3.52	101	102	3.46	3.46	100
Heavy	8.26	8.32	8.18	99	98	8.24	8.25	100
Total	6.48	6.47	6.48	100	100	6.40	6.43	100
Turkeys								
Young	32.82	32.73	31.99	97	98	32.76	33.11	101
Old	31.20	30.68	31.38	101	102	30.51	30.17	99
Total	32.81	32.72	31.99	98	98	32.75	33.09	101
Ducks	6.87	6.95	6.90	100	99	6.98	6.98	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 2020	May 2021	June 2021	June 2021 as % of		January to June		2021 as percent of 2020
				June 2020	May 2021	2020	2021	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	3,505,173	3,368,597	3,645,752	104	108	20,582,994	20,612,288	100
Mature	46,529	44,851	49,693	107	111	271,617	266,216	98
Light	5,783	5,367	6,031	104	112	31,474	32,890	104
Heavy	40,746	39,484	43,662	107	111	240,143	233,326	97
Total	3,551,702	3,413,448	3,695,445	104	108	20,854,611	20,878,504	100
Turkeys								
Young	303,025	273,338	292,639	97	107	1,759,612	1,710,184	97
Old	2,960	2,626	3,794	128	144	17,047	19,117	112
Total	305,985	275,964	296,433	97	107	1,776,659	1,729,301	97
Ducks	3,125	3,441	3,389	108	98	22,958	19,166	83
Other ¹	169	101	191	113	189	824	679	82
Total	3,860,981	3,692,954	3,995,458	103	108	22,655,052	22,627,650	100
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	274,825	242,906	267,102	97	110	1,595,008	1,501,910	94
Mature	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Light	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Heavy	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Total	274,825	242,906	267,102	97	110	1,595,008	1,501,910	94
Turkeys								
Young	194,649	175,022	191,121	98	109	1,061,120	1,059,195	100
Old	70	60	79	113	132	418	388	93
Total	194,719	175,082	191,200	98	109	1,061,538	1,059,583	100
Ducks	4,130	6,292	7,064	171	112	39,605	39,932	101
Other ¹	14	12	13	93	108	77	62	81
Total	473,688	424,292	465,379	98	110	2,696,228	2,601,487	96
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,779,998	3,611,503	3,912,854	104	108	22,178,002	22,114,198	100
Mature	46,529	44,851	49,693	107	111	271,617	266,216	98
Light	5,783	5,367	6,031	104	112	31,474	32,890	104
Heavy	40,746	39,484	43,662	107	111	240,143	233,326	97
Total	3,826,527	3,656,354	3,962,547	104	108	22,449,619	22,380,414	100
Turkeys								
Young	497,674	448,360	483,760	97	108	2,820,732	2,769,379	98
Old	3,030	2,686	3,873	128	144	17,465	19,505	112
Total	500,704	451,046	487,633	97	108	2,838,197	2,788,884	98
Ducks	7,255	9,733	10,453	144	107	62,563	59,098	94
Other ¹	183	113	204	111	181	901	741	82
Total	4,334,669	4,117,246	4,460,837	103	108	25,351,280	25,229,137	100

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2020	May 2021	June 2021	June 2021 as % of		January to June		2021 as percent of 2020
				June 2020	May 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	10,025	8,954	10,563	105	118	59,196	58,586	99
Mature	627	611	711	113	116	3,479	3,836	110
Light	131	86	134	102	156	566	574	101
Heavy	496	525	577	116	110	2,913	3,262	112
Total	10,652	9,565	11,274	106	118	62,675	62,422	100
Turkeys								
Young	1,670	1,556	1,944	116	125	9,343	10,498	112
Old	31	26	42	135	162	215	260	121
Total	1,701	1,582	1,986	117	126	9,558	10,758	113
Ducks	54	60	93	172	155	378	382	101
Total ¹	12,407	11,207	13,353	108	119	72,611	73,562	101
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.20	0.19	0.20	100	105	0.20	0.20	100
Mature	0.93	0.93	0.98	105	105	0.87	0.99	114
Light	1.17	0.84	1.14	97	136	0.92	0.90	98
Heavy	0.89	0.95	0.95	107	100	0.86	1.01	117
Total	0.21	0.20	0.21	100	105	0.21	0.21	100
Turkeys								
Young	0.27	0.28	0.32	119	114	0.26	0.30	115
Old	0.78	0.72	0.83	106	115	0.92	1.01	110
Total	0.27	0.28	0.33	122	118	0.27	0.31	115
Ducks	0.55	0.45	0.65	118	144	0.44	0.47	107
Total ¹	0.22	0.21	0.23	105	110	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	June 2020	May 2021	June 2021	June 2021 as % of		January to June		2021 as percent of 2020
				June 2020	May 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	20,785	17,919	19,582	94	109	135,002	112,940	84
Mature	1,659	2,168	2,532	153	117	8,862	12,069	136
Light	456	434	456	100	105	2,591	2,765	107
Heavy	1,203	1,734	2,076	173	120	6,271	9,304	148
Total	22,444	20,087	22,114	99	110	143,864	125,009	87
Turkeys								
Young	6,433	5,721	6,180	96	108	38,602	35,646	92
Old	112	110	140	125	127	856	747	87
Total	6,545	5,831	6,320	97	108	39,458	36,393	92
Ducks	209	166	225	108	136	1,702	1,142	67
Other ¹	2	2	2	100	100	13	12	92
Total	29,200	26,086	28,661	98	110	185,037	162,556	88
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.55	0.49	0.50	91	102	0.61	0.51	84
Mature	3.44	4.61	4.85	141	105	3.16	4.34	137
Light	7.31	7.48	7.03	96	94	7.61	7.75	102
Heavy	2.87	4.21	4.54	158	108	2.54	3.83	151
Total	0.58	0.55	0.55	95	100	0.64	0.56	88
Turkeys								
Young	1.28	1.26	1.26	98	100	1.35	1.27	94
Old	3.56	3.93	3.49	98	89	4.67	3.69	79
Total	1.29	1.28	1.28	99	100	1.37	1.29	94
Ducks	2.80	1.68	2.11	75	126	2.65	1.90	72
Other ¹	1.08	1.74	0.97	90	56	1.42	1.59	112
Total	0.67	0.63	0.64	96	102	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: May and June 2021

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	811	942	484,203	492,650
Mature	-	-	45	107	84,369	82,277
Light	-	-	22	66	61,028	57,284
Heavy	-	-	23	41	23,341	24,993
Total	-	-	856	1,049	568,572	574,927
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	73	71	7,943	8,117
Old	-	-	7	3	619	979
Total	-	-	80	74	8,562	9,096
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	251,961	245,601	1,081	1,220	12,549	12,398
Mature	7,812	8,052	354	146	30,969	39,378
Light	4,663	3,682	176	41	17,064	22,645
Heavy	3,149	4,370	178	105	13,905	16,733
Total	259,773	253,653	1,435	1,366	43,518	51,776
Turkeys						
Young	959	1,510	36	52	111	25
Old	156	234	18	5	79	75
Total	1,115	1,744	54	57	190	100
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	6,838	7,029	33,355	31,394	76,218	72,874
Mature	1,511	1,428	245	238	25,307	27,265
Light	1,169	1,003	129	96	22,025	22,791
Heavy	342	425	116	142	3,282	4,474
Total	8,349	8,457	33,600	31,632	101,525	100,139
Turkeys						
Young	105	147	236	160	789	1,052
Old	20	15	30	42	43	92
Total	125	162	266	202	832	1,144
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	33,609	29,982	629,248	641,385	1,529,873	1,535,475
Mature	244	304	57,308	49,912	208,164	209,107
Light	24	28	35,581	26,959	141,881	134,595
Heavy	220	276	21,727	22,953	66,283	74,512
Total	33,853	30,286	686,556	691,297	1,738,037	1,744,582
Turkeys						
Young	56	112	7,850	11,446	18,158	22,692
Old	11	36	1,406	1,158	2,389	2,639
Total	67	148	9,256	12,604	20,547	25,331

- 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: May and June 2021

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	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	93,362	103,063	524,623	580,717	5.62	5.63
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	76,572	85,324	544,618	603,006	7.11	7.07
California	22,079	23,125	137,039	142,889	6.21	6.18
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	28,170	31,308	220,275	241,574	7.82	7.72
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	100,085	104,364	607,814	648,564	6.07	6.21
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	6,292	6,623	28,614	29,551	4.55	4.46
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	23,002	24,947	150,562	164,351	6.55	6.59
Louisiana	13,775	15,836	95,524	106,962	6.93	6.75
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	10,751	11,851	70,635	77,109	6.57	6.51
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	54,785	59,805	343,178	373,371	6.26	6.24
Missouri	33,258	36,345	172,387	189,777	5.18	5.22
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	2,282	2,505	10,681	11,771	4.68	4.70
North Carolina	75,710	80,979	627,652	672,340	8.29	8.30
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	10,058	10,821	70,641	70,306	7.02	6.50
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	10,256	11,842	58,687	69,135	5.72	5.84
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	24,015	25,126	180,611	189,492	7.52	7.54
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	25,823	27,561	151,145	161,273	5.85	5.85
Texas	56,492	60,378	374,732	407,105	6.63	6.74
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	26,276	28,873	165,580	182,949	6.30	6.34
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	738,961	802,219	4,776,173	5,194,074	6.46	6.47

- 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 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	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	397,178	440,830	1,979	2,093	0.50	0.47
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	410,937	453,059	1,578	1,809	0.38	0.40
California	102,928	106,602	1,118	1,284	1.07	1.19
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	169,145	186,295	645	632	0.38	0.34
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	461,687	483,991	2,678	3,091	0.58	0.63
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	20,812	21,528	116	124	0.55	0.57
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	113,465	124,212	480	545	0.42	0.44
Louisiana	72,507	80,888	309	355	0.42	0.44
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	53,005	57,748	341	311	0.64	0.54
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	257,424	277,222	1,044	1,141	0.40	0.41
Missouri	126,503	139,498	510	515	0.40	0.37
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	6,480	7,094	82	90	1.25	1.26
North Carolina	483,054	518,286	1,499	1,717	0.31	0.33
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	52,910	52,643	211	231	0.40	0.44
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	40,933	48,426	762	759	1.83	1.54
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	136,185	142,567	802	868	0.59	0.61
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	112,311	119,555	410	450	0.36	0.37
Texas	291,321	313,741	1,362	1,396	0.47	0.44
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	123,304	136,534	338	360	0.27	0.26
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	3,611,503	3,912,854	17,919	19,582	0.49	0.50

- 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: May and June 2021

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

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	-	-	57	64	28,394	31,230
Arkansas	-	-	36	36	31,069	31,014
Delaware	-	-	53	40	15,450	15,503
Georgia	-	-	2	8	48,870	43,912
Mississippi	-	-	34	34	9,749	9,749
North Carolina	-	-	68	68	41,380	41,380
Texas	-	-	95	95	53,444	55,420
Virginia	-	-	8	13	16,032	17,752
United States	-	-	811	942	484,203	492,650
State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	27,031	26,550	95	93	1,147	1,187
Arkansas	6,693	6,714	108	75	1,002	1,001
Delaware	10,063	10,171	21	23	232	239
Georgia	65,280	70,204	105	60	1,773	1,603
Mississippi	5,237	5,237	10	10	568	568
North Carolina	10,573	10,573	47	47	903	903
Texas	15,432	16,273	95	128	860	880
Virginia	10,343	10,045	3	9	156	150
United States	251,961	245,601	1,081	1,220	12,549	12,398
State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	582	593	2,897	3,008	10,148	12,341
Arkansas	163	162	2,794	2,795	3,265	3,266
Delaware	352	410	695	714	2,193	2,187
Georgia	912	838	8,482	7,566	17,669	11,240
Mississippi	433	433	1,885	1,885	787	787
North Carolina	359	359	3,640	3,640	2,123	2,123
Texas	348	360	290	317	3,856	3,765
Virginia	700	791	509	554	1,852	1,521
United States	6,838	7,029	33,355	31,394	76,218	72,874
State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	501	442	68,063	62,852	138,915	138,360
Arkansas	1,795	1,794	81,299	81,321	128,224	128,178
Delaware	1,520	1,406	4,195	3,904	34,774	34,597
Georgia	8,220	10,820	124,560	126,300	275,873	272,551
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	80,790
Texas	940	795	16,578	18,351	91,938	96,384
Virginia	341	575	13,094	10,684	43,038	42,094
United States	33,609	29,982	629,248	641,385	1,529,873	1,535,475

- 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: May and June 2021

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	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	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	2,639	2,987	55,260	61,495	20.94	20.59
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(Z)	1	1	22	32.76	27.99
Indiana	1,920	2,180	81,202	89,764	42.30	41.18
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	-	-
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,772	4,119	90,925	98,979	24.11	24.03
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	702	831	25,553	30,558	36.39	36.78
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	520	549	25,200	25,081	48.48	45.66
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	510	636	15,884	18,330	31.12	28.84
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	(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	17,161	18,914	561,687	605,123	32.73	31.99

- 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: May and June 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	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(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	46,085	51,241	381	455	0.82	0.88
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Georgia	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	(Z)	17	-	-	(X)	(X)
Indiana	65,011	72,272	807	852	1.23	1.17
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	72,745	79,184	893	1,004	1.21	1.25
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	20,915	24,990	232	295	1.10	1.17
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(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	20,148	20,048	315	249	1.54	1.23
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	12,589	14,437	287	289	2.23	1.96
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	(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	448,360	483,760	5,721	6,180	1.26	1.26

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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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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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