



Poultry Slaughter

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Ready-to-Cook Weight Up 6 Percent from Last Year

Poultry certified wholesome during June 2014 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 3.74 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the amount certified in June 2013. The May 2014 revised certified total at 3.73 billion pounds, was down 3 percent from May 2013. The May revision represented an increase of 801 thousand pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during June 2014 was 4.95 billion pounds, up 6 percent from 4.67 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 4.26 billion pounds, up 7 percent from June 2013. Mature chickens, at 68.5 million pounds, were up 3 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 606 million pounds, up 2 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 14.1 million pounds, up 12 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during June 2014 averaged 5.99 pounds per bird, up 2 percent from June 2013. The average live weight of mature chickens was 5.71 pounds per bird, down 2 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during June 2014 averaged 30.1 pounds per bird, down slightly from June 2013.

Ante-mortem condemnations during June 2014 totaled 11.0 million pounds. Condemnations were 0.22 percent of the live weight inspected, as compared with 0.21 percent a year earlier. Post-mortem condemnations, at 35.9 million pounds, were 0.95 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.88 percent a year earlier.

June 2013 contained 20 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

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

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2013	May 2014	June 2014	June 2014 as % of		January to June		2014 as percent of 2013
				June 2013	May 2014	2013	2014	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Number slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	679,881	712,142	712,261	105	100	4,206,610	4,193,628	100
Mature	11,451	13,165	11,999	105	91	74,969	73,679	98
Light	5,401	7,059	6,070	112	86	41,248	38,767	94
Heavy	6,050	6,106	5,929	98	97	33,721	34,912	104
Total	691,332	725,307	724,260	105	100	4,281,579	4,267,307	100
Turkeys								
Young	19,569	19,205	20,058	102	104	118,632	111,637	94
Old	97	78	87	90	112	703	605	86
Total	19,666	19,283	20,145	102	104	119,335	112,242	94
Ducks	1,825	2,188	2,056	113	94	12,097	12,735	105
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	4,000,691	4,254,278	4,263,452	107	100	24,801,557	25,116,928	101
Mature	66,523	72,087	68,483	103	95	404,709	409,274	101
Light	17,616	22,261	19,969	113	90	133,618	124,699	93
Heavy	48,907	49,826	48,514	99	97	271,091	284,575	105
Total	4,067,214	4,326,365	4,331,935	107	100	25,206,266	25,526,202	101
Turkeys								
Young	590,004	585,881	603,938	102	103	3,667,612	3,433,663	94
Old	2,514	2,139	2,304	92	108	18,907	16,529	87
Total	592,518	588,020	606,242	102	103	3,686,519	3,450,192	94
Ducks	12,606	15,010	14,129	112	94	82,789	87,552	106
Other ¹	214	182	191	89	105	1,118	1,029	92
Total	4,672,552	4,929,577	4,952,497	106	100	28,976,692	29,064,975	100
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5.88	5.97	5.99	102	100	5.90	5.99	102
Mature	5.81	5.48	5.71	98	104	5.40	5.55	103
Light	3.26	3.15	3.29	101	104	3.24	3.22	99
Heavy	8.08	8.16	8.18	101	100	8.04	8.15	101
Total	5.88	5.96	5.98	102	100	5.89	5.98	102
Turkeys								
Young	30.15	30.51	30.11	100	99	30.92	30.76	99
Old	25.92	27.42	26.48	102	97	26.89	27.32	102
Total	30.13	30.49	30.09	100	99	30.89	30.74	100
Ducks	6.91	6.86	6.87	99	100	6.84	6.87	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 2013	May 2014	June 2014	June 2014 as % of		January to June		2014 as percent of 2013
				June 2013	May 2014	2013	2014	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	2,747,001	2,924,712	2,921,902	106	100	16,938,521	17,249,759	102
Mature	42,859	45,927	43,517	102	95	258,248	258,210	100
Light	9,592	12,089	10,995	115	91	74,120	67,405	91
Heavy	33,267	33,838	32,522	98	96	184,128	190,805	104
Total	2,789,860	2,970,639	2,965,419	106	100	17,196,769	17,507,969	102
Turkeys								
Young	279,656	269,037	271,869	97	101	1,785,213	1,548,516	87
Old	1,665	1,502	1,557	94	104	13,070	11,479	88
Total	281,321	270,539	273,426	97	101	1,798,283	1,559,995	87
Ducks	3,273	3,950	3,892	119	99	22,608	24,352	108
Other ¹	141	117	118	84	101	740	664	90
Total	3,074,595	3,245,245	3,242,855	105	100	19,018,400	19,092,980	100
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	255,001	276,450	281,789	111	102	1,671,750	1,649,252	99
Mature	9	8	1	11	13	113	23	20
Light	-	1	1	(X)	100	10	11	110
Heavy	9	7	-	(X)	(X)	103	12	12
Total	255,010	276,458	281,790	111	102	1,671,863	1,649,275	99
Turkeys								
Young	191,873	200,294	212,352	111	106	1,145,409	1,200,046	105
Old	242	130	164	68	126	1,308	1,055	81
Total	192,115	200,424	212,516	111	106	1,146,717	1,201,101	105
Ducks	5,850	6,914	6,346	108	92	37,278	38,974	105
Other ¹	8	8	8	100	100	45	46	102
Total	452,983	483,804	500,660	111	103	2,855,903	2,889,396	101
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,002,002	3,201,162	3,203,691	107	100	18,610,271	18,899,011	102
Mature	42,868	45,935	43,518	102	95	258,361	258,233	100
Light	9,592	12,090	10,996	115	91	74,130	67,416	91
Heavy	33,276	33,845	32,522	98	96	184,231	190,817	104
Total	3,044,870	3,247,097	3,247,209	107	100	18,868,632	19,157,244	102
Turkeys								
Young	471,529	469,331	484,221	103	103	2,930,622	2,748,562	94
Old	1,907	1,632	1,721	90	105	14,378	12,534	87
Total	473,436	470,963	485,942	103	103	2,945,000	2,761,096	94
Ducks	9,123	10,864	10,238	112	94	59,886	63,326	106
Other ¹	149	125	126	85	101	785	710	90
Total	3,527,578	3,729,049	3,743,515	106	100	21,874,303	21,982,376	100

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2013	May 2014	June 2014	June 2014 as % of		January to June		2014 as percent of 2013
				June 2013	May 2014	2013	2014	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	7,619	8,774	8,874	116	101	48,676	53,415	110
Mature	623	770	738	118	96	3,972	4,489	113
Light	259	330	290	112	88	1,688	1,793	106
Heavy	364	440	448	123	102	2,284	2,696	118
Total	8,242	9,544	9,612	117	101	52,648	57,904	110
Turkeys								
Young	1,348	1,320	1,297	96	98	8,594	8,101	94
Old	27	32	34	126	106	202	232	115
Total	1,375	1,352	1,331	97	98	8,796	8,333	95
Ducks	50	31	41	82	132	254	226	89
Total	9,668	10,927	10,984	114	101	61,700	66,463	108
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.19	0.21	0.21	111	100	0.20	0.21	105
Mature	0.94	1.07	1.08	115	101	0.98	1.10	112
Light	1.47	1.48	1.45	99	98	1.26	1.44	114
Heavy	0.74	0.88	0.92	124	105	0.84	0.95	113
Total	0.20	0.22	0.22	110	100	0.21	0.23	110
Turkeys								
Young	0.23	0.23	0.21	91	91	0.23	0.24	104
Old	1.07	1.50	1.48	138	99	1.07	1.40	131
Total	0.23	0.23	0.22	96	96	0.24	0.24	100
Ducks	0.40	0.21	0.29	73	138	0.31	0.26	84
Total	0.21	0.22	0.22	105	100	0.21	0.23	110

¹ Pounds condemned as a percent of live weight pounds inspected.

Post-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	June 2013	May 2014	June 2014	June 2014 as % of		January to June		2014 as percent of 2013
				June 2013	May 2014	2013	2014	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	22,554	28,933	27,144	120	94	163,551	171,653	105
Mature	1,870	2,513	2,307	123	92	11,964	13,649	114
Light	694	974	788	114	81	5,495	5,277	96
Heavy	1,176	1,539	1,519	129	99	6,469	8,372	129
Total	24,424	31,446	29,451	121	94	175,515	185,302	106
Turkeys								
Young	6,618	6,185	6,090	92	98	40,937	36,811	90
Old	122	90	92	75	102	826	647	78
Total	6,740	6,275	6,182	92	99	41,763	37,458	90
Ducks	259	262	239	92	91	1,610	1,601	99
Other	2	1	1	50	100	7	7	100
Total	31,425	37,984	35,873	114	94	218,895	224,368	103
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ¹								
Chickens								
Young	0.75	0.90	0.84	112	93	0.87	0.90	103
Mature	4.18	5.19	5.03	120	97	4.43	5.02	113
Light	6.75	7.46	6.69	99	90	6.90	7.26	105
Heavy	3.41	4.35	4.46	131	103	3.39	4.20	124
Total	0.80	0.96	0.90	113	94	0.92	0.96	104
Turkeys								
Young	1.38	1.30	1.24	90	95	1.38	1.32	96
Old	6.01	5.23	5.07	84	97	5.43	4.91	90
Total	1.40	1.31	1.26	90	96	1.40	1.34	96
Ducks	2.76	2.35	2.28	83	97	2.62	2.47	94
Other	1.32	0.79	0.79	60	100	0.88	0.98	111
Total	0.88	1.01	0.95	108	94	0.99	1.01	102

¹ Pounds condemned as a percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause, by Type – United States: May and June 2014

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	7,359	7,974	926,963	874,067
Mature	-	-	328	461	149,875	120,368
Light	-	-	218	352	113,529	85,229
Heavy	-	-	110	109	36,346	35,139
Total	-	-	7,687	8,435	1,076,838	994,435
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	63	58	31,365	28,608
Old	-	-	1	3	637	484
Total	-	-	64	61	32,002	29,092
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	587,831	435,402	3,327	3,687	20,606	19,482
Mature	17,488	17,977	168	179	36,436	35,200
Light	5,305	5,317	104	101	30,509	29,141
Heavy	12,183	12,660	64	78	5,927	6,059
Total	605,319	453,379	3,495	3,866	57,042	54,682
Turkeys						
Young	3,421	3,667	495	415	157	126
Old	178	186	10	6	63	39
Total	3,599	3,853	505	421	220	165
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Chickens						
Young	10,987	11,324	52,254	52,488	91,655	92,373
Mature	10,264	7,295	2,036	1,854	56,576	47,611
Light	9,950	6,986	1,318	1,143	51,305	43,091
Heavy	314	309	718	711	5,271	4,520
Total	21,251	18,619	54,290	54,342	148,231	139,984
Turkeys						
Young	128	97	996	794	1,225	1,204
Old	12	10	2	3	21	21
Total	140	107	998	797	1,246	1,225
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	19,656	19,069	802,427	720,223	2,523,065	2,236,089
Mature	465	305	104,933	105,579	378,569	336,829
Light	156	83	43,257	43,165	255,651	214,608
Heavy	309	222	61,676	62,414	122,918	122,221
Total	20,121	19,374	907,360	825,802	2,901,634	2,572,918
Turkeys						
Young	413	562	9,764	9,607	48,027	45,138
Old	3	3	162	178	1,089	933
Total	416	565	9,926	9,785	49,116	46,071

- 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 2014

[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	84,717	84,432	478,575	477,719	5.65	5.66
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Arkansas	70,109	71,960	436,424	449,235	6.22	6.24
California	19,715	19,634	119,038	119,710	6.04	6.10
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	28,435	27,473	195,785	191,813	6.89	6.98
Florida	5,253	4,999	30,213	29,448	5.75	5.89
Georgia	104,782	104,590	599,358	602,796	5.72	5.76
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	5,141	5,061	22,537	22,197	4.38	4.39
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	24,588	25,353	136,148	142,613	5.54	5.63
Louisiana	16,919	16,248	100,689	96,433	5.95	5.94
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	12,368	11,981	63,951	62,527	5.17	5.22
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	4,060	4,490	24,033	27,157	5.92	6.05
Mississippi	58,976	59,102	365,657	360,504	6.20	6.10
Missouri	37,807	36,332	181,507	171,643	4.80	4.72
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	114	118	560	573	4.90	4.84
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	1,916	1,864	9,727	9,328	5.08	5.01
North Carolina	64,132	64,447	479,331	491,030	7.47	7.62
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	6,449	6,332	36,208	35,025	5.61	5.53
Oklahoma	10,553	11,186	67,833	72,930	6.43	6.52
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	8,786	9,134	49,168	50,628	5.60	5.54
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	22,870	23,791	163,558	164,725	7.15	6.92
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	25,619	24,488	134,217	128,306	5.24	5.24
Texas	48,700	50,004	298,152	304,481	6.12	6.09
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	29,432	28,220	164,312	155,239	5.58	5.50
Washington	4,494	4,506	27,834	27,771	6.19	6.16
West Virginia	9,741	9,927	37,862	38,348	3.89	3.86
Wisconsin	4,374	4,496	18,751	18,741	4.29	4.17
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	712,142	712,261	4,254,278	4,263,452	5.97	5.99

- 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 2014

[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	362,714	362,850	2,906	2,842	0.79	0.78
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Arkansas	330,745	340,526	3,220	3,202	0.96	0.93
California	88,595	89,152	855	822	0.96	0.91
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	141,692	138,601	1,825	1,596	1.27	1.14
Florida	22,708	22,038	156	140	0.68	0.63
Georgia	450,937	449,546	4,111	3,502	0.90	0.77
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	16,389	16,256	128	117	0.78	0.71
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	98,679	103,361	1,020	992	1.02	0.95
Louisiana	76,427	72,354	468	439	0.61	0.60
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	46,266	45,201	735	649	1.56	1.42
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	20,365	22,995	194	213	0.94	0.92
Mississippi	282,259	277,241	2,252	2,184	0.79	0.78
Missouri	137,016	130,573	1,202	1,096	0.87	0.83
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	411	427	17	21	3.91	4.71
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	6,030	5,763	165	160	2.67	2.69
North Carolina	372,244	382,265	3,798	3,539	1.01	0.92
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	27,012	26,095	255	272	0.94	1.03
Oklahoma	51,081	54,897	367	370	0.71	0.67
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	33,768	34,743	589	553	1.71	1.57
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	123,183	124,058	653	648	0.53	0.52
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	98,196	93,881	1,000	833	1.01	0.88
Texas	226,555	229,646	1,655	1,617	0.73	0.70
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	116,979	110,355	885	835	0.75	0.75
Washington	20,817	20,754	99	112	0.47	0.54
West Virginia	27,166	27,419	61	63	0.23	0.23
Wisconsin	13,694	13,688	164	175	1.19	1.26
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	3,201,162	3,203,691	28,933	27,144	0.90	0.84

- Represents zero.

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

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

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

Young Chickens, Number Condemned Post-Mortem by Cause – States and United States: May and June 2014

[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	-	-	232	228	93,527	92,581
Arkansas	-	-	258	240	71,677	65,510
Delaware	-	-	1,808	2,486	66,903	54,049
Georgia	-	-	69	51	96,884	83,081
Mississippi	-	-	196	203	36,134	35,236
Missouri	-	-	52	46	56,522	51,649
North Carolina	-	-	234	338	93,738	91,370
Texas	-	-	146	65	66,127	65,722
Virginia	-	-	118	133	22,378	20,174
United States	-	-	7,359	7,974	926,963	874,067

State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	26,246	26,581	211	270	1,162	1,099
Arkansas	23,734	19,676	1,199	1,195	754	763
Delaware	85,063	64,704	75	67	2,255	1,905
Georgia	91,665	59,504	53	134	3,443	3,177
Mississippi	19,000	15,612	112	107	462	519
Missouri	24,583	20,072	41	174	494	470
North Carolina	98,422	57,487	178	157	3,864	3,503
Texas	19,264	16,378	115	105	651	627
Virginia	36,511	25,710	7	9	560	605
United States	587,831	435,402	3,327	3,687	20,606	19,482

State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	981	965	5,966	6,299	13,411	14,640
Arkansas	617	652	3,813	4,293	4,948	5,424
Delaware	1,273	1,187	1,707	1,944	4,242	3,885
Georgia	936	871	12,932	11,627	9,619	9,256
Mississippi	354	360	1,435	1,408	1,499	1,515
Missouri	201	206	1,087	1,231	4,341	3,439
North Carolina	1,009	1,455	11,909	12,464	6,103	5,359
Texas	383	446	1,361	1,194	5,130	5,400
Virginia	668	679	511	523	2,489	2,700
United States	10,987	11,324	52,254	52,488	91,655	92,373

State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Total	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)	(number head)
Alabama	1,411	1,425	96,698	80,554	239,845	224,642
Arkansas	1,502	763	76,591	70,231	185,093	168,747
Delaware	1,585	1,526	16,096	18,117	181,007	149,870
Georgia	4,255	2,945	171,396	125,514	391,252	296,160
Mississippi	362	502	55,645	48,799	115,199	104,261
Missouri	204	157	31,665	26,492	119,190	103,936
North Carolina	2,283	2,725	69,968	65,259	287,708	240,117
Texas	948	686	38,998	29,417	133,123	120,040
Virginia	1,659	874	17,493	21,056	82,394	72,463
United States	19,656	19,069	802,427	720,223	2,523,065	2,236,089

- 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 2014

[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	3,004	3,056	61,882	61,389	20.60	20.09
California	816	799	23,095	23,557	28.29	29.47
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	-	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	1,966	1,970	77,457	79,087	39.40	40.14
Iowa	536	527	22,634	22,106	42.24	41.91
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,878	4,411	102,526	113,113	26.44	25.64
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	903	887	31,698	30,816	35.10	34.73
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	1,686	2,007	61,453	71,188	36.44	35.47
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	420	409	18,769	17,656	44.74	43.21
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Pennsylvania	550	562	14,147	14,785	25.72	26.30
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	477	462	6,945	6,566	14.56	14.21
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia	2,173	2,214	56,271	57,457	25.90	25.95
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	19,205	20,058	585,881	603,938	30.51	30.11

- Represents zero.

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Young Turkeys, Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: May and June 2014

[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	51,430	51,455	285	260	0.55	0.50
California	18,452	18,884	212	174	1.13	0.91
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Georgia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	62,287	63,860	964	950	1.52	1.47
Iowa	17,667	17,245	190	218	1.06	1.25
Kansas	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	81,948	90,447	1,439	1,527	1.73	1.66
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Missouri	25,679	25,007	202	191	0.78	0.76
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	48,208	55,615	537	516	1.10	0.92
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	15,006	14,115	322	301	2.10	2.09
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Pennsylvania	11,208	11,718	183	196	1.60	1.64
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	5,955	5,650	32	32	0.54	0.56
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Virginia	45,026	45,838	522	511	1.15	1.10
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	469,331	484,221	6,185	6,090	1.30	1.24

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(X) Not applicable.

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

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

Terms and Definitions Used for Poultry Slaughter Estimates

Ante-Mortem Condemnations: Birds condemned prior to their entry into the slaughter plant.

Average Live Weight: The weight of the whole bird, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

Certified Ready-to-Cook: The weight of poultry certified wholesome by inspection after post-mortem condemnation pounds are removed. Ready-to-cook represents poultry meat ready for the marketing channel.

Dressing Percent: Usually expressed as a percentage yield of frozen and chilled carcass in relation to the weight of the live bird.

Ducks: Includes all ducks regardless of age and weight.

Federally Inspected (FI) Plants: Plants that transport meat interstate must employ federal inspectors to assure compliance with USDA standards.

Mature Chickens: Fowl from breeder and market egg flocks and stags and cocks.

Number of Head: Includes post-mortem condemnations.

Old Turkeys: Fully matured birds held for egg production, usually over 15 months of age.

Plant, Slaughter: An establishment where birds are killed and butchered.

Post-Mortem Condemnations: Carcasses or parts condemned by the inspector because of disease or mishandling and removed from the slaughter line and destroyed.

Slaughter: Killing and butchering of birds primarily for food.

Total Live Weight: The total weight of live birds, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

Young Chickens: Commercially grown broilers-fryers and other young immature birds such as roasters and capons.

Young Turkeys: Young birds grown to a matured market age, and other turkeys such as fryers/roasters and young breeders.

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Data for poultry slaughter estimates are collected by inspectors of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA for all Federally Inspected plants. Over 99 percent of the total United States slaughter for any species is under Federal Inspection. The number of head slaughtered daily, by species and class, as well as condemnations and total live and dressed weights are obtained by shift for each plant. Approximately 300 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2012. Young chickens were slaughtered in 37 States, young turkeys in 28 States.

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

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