



Poultry Slaughter

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

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Poultry certified wholesome during September 2022 (ready-to-cook weight) totaled 4.48 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the amount certified in September 2021. The August 2022 revised certified total at 4.73 billion pounds, was up 7 percent from August 2021. The August revision represented an increase of 8.98 million pounds from last month's preliminary pounds certified.

The preliminary total live weight of all federally inspected poultry during September 2022 was 5.90 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 5.87 billion pounds a year ago. Young chickens inspected totaled 5.30 billion pounds, up 2 percent from September 2021. Mature chickens, at 64.9 million pounds, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Turkey inspections totaled 523 million pounds, down 11 percent from a year ago. Ducks totaled 15.7 million pounds, up 8 percent from last year.

Young chickens slaughtered during September 2022 averaged 6.57 pounds per bird, up slightly from September 2021. The average live weight of mature chickens was 7.01 pounds per bird, down 1 percent from a year ago. Turkeys slaughtered during September 2022 averaged 30.5 pounds per bird, down 5 percent from September 2021.

Ante-mortem condemnations during September 2022 totaled 12.9 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 24.9 million pounds, were 0.55 percent of quantities inspected, as compared with 0.60 percent a year earlier.

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

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	September 2022 as % of		January to September		2022 as percent of 2021
				September 2021	August 2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Slaughtered								
Chickens								
Young	794,794	862,696	807,091	102	94	6,923,989	7,051,011	102
Mature	9,380	10,578	9,252	99	87	87,190	85,939	99
Light	2,658	2,503	2,746	103	110	27,195	24,128	89
Heavy	6,722	8,075	6,506	97	81	59,995	61,811	103
Total	804,174	873,274	816,343	102	93	7,011,179	7,136,950	102
Turkeys								
Young	18,176	18,194	17,036	94	94	159,312	153,691	96
Old	129	140	152	118	109	1,277	1,166	91
Total	18,305	18,334	17,188	94	94	160,589	154,857	96
Ducks	2,091	2,295	2,253	108	98	17,800	19,788	111
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Total live weight								
Chickens								
Young	5,203,472	5,584,716	5,299,784	102	95	44,665,992	45,496,621	102
Mature	66,098	77,523	64,877	98	84	593,234	600,999	101
Light	9,200	8,794	9,669	105	110	94,147	83,818	89
Heavy	56,898	68,729	55,208	97	80	499,087	517,181	104
Total	5,269,570	5,662,239	5,364,661	102	95	45,259,226	46,097,620	102
Turkeys								
Young	585,139	556,488	518,657	89	93	5,212,017	4,852,102	93
Old	3,875	4,106	4,823	124	117	38,635	36,048	93
Total	589,014	560,594	523,480	89	93	5,250,652	4,888,150	93
Ducks	14,502	15,954	15,653	108	98	123,541	138,850	112
Other ¹	594	537	562	95	105	2,292	2,600	113
Total	5,873,680	6,239,324	5,904,356	101	95	50,635,711	51,127,220	101
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(percent)
Average live weight								
Chickens								
Young	6.55	6.47	6.57	100	102	6.45	6.45	100
Mature	7.05	7.33	7.01	99	96	6.80	6.99	103
Light	3.46	3.51	3.52	102	100	3.46	3.47	100
Heavy	8.46	8.51	8.49	100	100	8.32	8.37	101
Total	6.55	6.48	6.57	100	101	6.46	6.46	100
Turkeys								
Young	32.19	30.59	30.44	95	100	32.72	31.57	96
Old	30.04	29.33	31.73	106	108	30.25	30.92	102
Total	32.18	30.58	30.46	95	100	32.70	31.57	97
Ducks	6.94	6.95	6.95	100	100	6.94	7.02	101

¹ Includes geese, guineas, ostriches, emus, rheas, and squab.

Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified by Type – United States

[Ready-to-cook weights]

Commodity	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	September 2022 as % of		January to September		2022 as percent of 2021
				September 2021	August 2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Chilled								
Chickens								
Young	3,662,159	3,918,965	3,713,980	101	95	31,406,063	32,089,774	102
Mature	45,811	55,285	45,102	98	82	407,630	424,116	104
Light	4,751	4,709	5,022	106	107	48,543	44,170	91
Heavy	41,060	50,576	40,080	98	79	359,087	379,946	106
Total	3,707,970	3,974,250	3,759,082	101	95	31,813,693	32,513,890	102
Turkeys								
Young	288,117	277,917	246,652	86	89	2,557,917	2,377,668	93
Old	2,879	2,620	3,172	110	121	28,714	23,758	83
Total	290,996	280,537	249,824	86	89	2,586,631	2,401,426	93
Ducks	3,524	5,005	4,489	127	90	30,212	39,566	131
Other ¹	116	145	146	126	101	1,069	1,174	110
Total	4,002,606	4,259,937	4,013,541	100	94	34,431,605	34,956,056	102
Frozen								
Chickens								
Young	266,369	292,012	289,854	109	99	2,300,055	2,258,306	98
Mature	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Light	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Heavy	-	-	-	(X)	(X)	-	-	(X)
Total	266,369	292,012	289,854	109	99	2,300,055	2,258,306	98
Turkeys								
Young	179,475	168,011	170,170	95	101	1,604,896	1,507,195	94
Old	75	608	557	743	92	586	3,973	678
Total	179,550	168,619	170,727	95	101	1,605,482	1,511,168	94
Ducks	7,044	6,610	6,956	99	105	60,303	61,600	102
Other ¹	253	196	204	81	104	429	526	123
Total	453,216	467,437	467,741	103	100	3,966,269	3,831,600	97
Chilled and frozen								
Chickens								
Young	3,928,528	4,210,977	4,003,834	102	95	33,706,118	34,348,080	102
Mature	45,811	55,285	45,102	98	82	407,630	424,116	104
Light	4,751	4,709	5,022	106	107	48,543	44,170	91
Heavy	41,060	50,576	40,080	98	79	359,087	379,946	106
Total	3,974,339	4,266,262	4,048,936	102	95	34,113,748	34,772,196	102
Turkeys								
Young	467,592	445,928	416,822	89	93	4,162,813	3,884,863	93
Old	2,954	3,228	3,729	126	116	29,300	27,731	95
Total	470,546	449,156	420,551	89	94	4,192,113	3,912,594	93
Ducks	10,568	11,615	11,445	108	99	90,515	101,166	112
Other ¹	369	341	350	95	103	1,498	1,700	113
Total	4,455,822	4,727,374	4,481,282	101	95	38,397,874	38,787,656	101

- Represents zero.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes geese, guineas, and squab.

Ante-Mortem Condemnations by Type – United States

[Federally inspected only]

Commodity	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	September 2022 as % of		January to September		2022 as percent of 2021
				September 2021	August 2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Live weight								
Chickens								
Young	9,893	11,798	10,575	107	90	90,309	96,003	106
Mature	529	1,053	841	159	80	5,842	8,027	137
Light	62	88	107	173	122	847	811	96
Heavy	467	965	734	157	76	4,995	7,216	144
Total	10,422	12,851	11,416	110	89	96,151	104,030	108
Turkeys								
Young	1,813	1,653	1,410	78	85	16,467	15,281	93
Old	27	27	26	96	96	382	300	79
Total	1,840	1,680	1,436	78	85	16,849	15,581	92
Ducks	95	100	77	81	77	682	766	112
Total ¹	12,358	14,632	12,931	105	88	113,684	120,380	106
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of live weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.19	0.21	0.20	105	95	0.20	0.21	105
Mature	0.80	1.36	1.30	163	96	0.98	1.34	137
Light	0.67	1.00	1.11	166	111	0.90	0.97	108
Heavy	0.82	1.40	1.33	162	95	1.00	1.40	140
Total	0.20	0.23	0.21	105	91	0.21	0.23	110
Turkeys								
Young	0.31	0.30	0.27	87	90	0.32	0.31	97
Old	0.70	0.66	0.54	77	82	0.99	0.83	84
Total	0.31	0.30	0.27	87	90	0.32	0.32	100
Ducks	0.66	0.63	0.49	74	78	0.55	0.55	100
Total ¹	0.21	0.23	0.22	105	96	0.22	0.24	109

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 condemned and establishment sorted and removed]

Commodity	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	September 2022 as % of		January to September		2022 as percent of 2021
				September 2021	August 2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Carcass and parts								
Chickens								
Young	17,930	19,158	18,179	101	95	168,211	168,502	100
Mature	2,456	1,780	1,604	65	90	18,974	14,139	75
Light	405	297	382	94	129	4,028	3,278	81
Heavy	2,051	1,483	1,222	60	82	14,946	10,861	73
Total	20,386	20,938	19,783	97	94	187,185	182,641	98
Turkeys								
Young	6,017	5,273	4,751	79	90	53,616	46,508	87
Old	156	139	166	106	119	1,231	1,287	105
Total	6,173	5,412	4,917	80	91	54,847	47,795	87
Ducks	238	272	231	97	85	1,815	2,107	116
Other ¹	7	6	6	86	100	27	33	122
Total	26,804	26,628	24,937	93	94	243,874	232,576	95
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Percent of weight condemned ²								
Chickens								
Young	0.45	0.45	0.45	100	100	0.50	0.49	98
Mature	5.09	3.12	3.43	67	110	4.45	3.23	73
Light	7.85	5.93	7.07	90	119	7.66	6.91	90
Heavy	4.76	2.85	2.96	62	104	4.00	2.78	70
Total	0.51	0.49	0.49	96	100	0.55	0.52	95
Turkeys								
Young	1.27	1.17	1.13	89	97	1.27	1.18	93
Old	5.02	4.13	4.26	85	103	4.03	4.44	110
Total	1.29	1.19	1.16	90	97	1.29	1.21	94
Ducks	2.20	2.29	1.98	90	86	1.97	2.04	104
Other ¹	1.86	1.73	1.69	91	98	1.77	1.90	107
Total	0.60	0.56	0.55	92	98	0.63	0.60	95

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: August and September 2022

Commodity	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	-	-	283	382	93,644	79,777
Mature	-	-	73	90	34,156	51,609
Light	-	-	67	71	28,130	45,524
Heavy	-	-	6	19	6,026	6,085
Total	-	-	356	472	127,800	131,386
Turkeys						
Young	-	-	86	44	4,791	3,687
Old	-	-	5	9	611	828
Total	-	-	91	53	5,402	4,515
Commodity	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	68,618	65,756	492	480	2,507	2,523
Mature	10,147	12,776	111	119	21,271	25,368
Light	3,302	5,077	19	27	16,278	21,153
Heavy	6,845	7,699	92	92	4,993	4,215
Total	78,765	78,532	603	599	23,778	27,891
Turkeys						
Young	1,118	1,357	25	19	47	58
Old	503	639	14	-	186	170
Total	1,621	1,996	39	19	233	228
Commodity	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	3,780	4,148	1,688	1,944	50,113	44,383
Mature	1,494	2,593	296	152	22,420	23,870
Light	475	1,531	232	135	20,115	21,492
Heavy	1,019	1,062	64	17	2,305	2,378
Total	5,274	6,741	1,984	2,096	72,533	68,253
Turkeys						
Young	68	65	170	178	960	600
Old	12	8	59	15	90	121
Total	80	73	229	193	1,050	721
Commodity	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Unknown ²	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Chickens						
Young	18,252	17,963	217,237	215,061	1,531,485	1,547,535
Mature	151	73	27,217	31,396	33,605	29,410
Light	64	65	20,286	24,692	-	-
Heavy	87	8	6,931	6,704	33,605	29,410
Total	18,403	18,036	244,454	246,457	1,565,090	1,576,945
Turkeys						
Young	60	78	3,587	2,916	45,855	43,217
Old	2	4	425	262	167	189
Total	62	82	4,012	3,178	46,022	43,406

- 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.

² Birds condemned with no cause given by federal inspectors and establishment sorters.

Young Chickens Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: August and September 2022

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	109,516	101,078	612,088	575,333	5.59	5.69
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	92,582	87,375	642,933	614,995	6.94	7.04
California	24,329	22,922	143,277	135,459	5.89	5.91
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	33,032	32,124	250,729	249,684	7.59	7.77
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	113,658	107,567	684,569	656,862	6.02	6.11
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	63	70	397	443	6.29	6.34
Indiana	6,724	6,659	31,847	31,438	4.74	4.72
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	25,170	23,504	164,539	155,926	6.54	6.63
Louisiana	15,674	14,360	110,241	102,381	7.03	7.13
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	13,394	12,684	85,043	81,755	6.35	6.45
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	63,988	58,562	412,465	384,853	6.45	6.57
Missouri	38,181	33,926	214,291	191,816	5.61	5.65
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	159	173	793	841	4.99	4.85
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	2,860	2,725	14,290	13,050	5.00	4.79
North Carolina	86,468	80,106	720,122	676,541	8.33	8.45
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	11,807	11,191	52,732	51,047	4.47	4.56
Oklahoma	12,944	11,650	92,176	83,459	7.12	7.16
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	13,155	12,318	74,853	70,075	5.69	5.69
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	26,966	24,585	201,669	188,500	7.48	7.67
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	33,233	31,105	200,209	189,341	6.02	6.09
Texas	67,180	63,867	455,293	436,899	6.78	6.84
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	30,057	29,200	192,383	191,327	6.40	6.55
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	862,696	807,091	5,584,716	5,299,784	6.47	6.57

- Represents zero.

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

Young Chickens Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: August and September 2022

[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	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	467,736	440,789	2,101	1,931	0.45	0.44
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	484,067	461,542	1,518	1,532	0.31	0.33
California	107,725	101,678	816	643	0.75	0.63
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)	(D)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	193,219	193,868	641	650	0.33	0.33
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	518,458	498,446	2,870	2,811	0.55	0.56
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	295	328	-	-	(X)	(X)
Indiana	23,149	22,874	104	86	0.45	0.37
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	124,037	117,610	732	638	0.59	0.54
Louisiana	83,578	77,754	371	251	0.44	0.32
Maine	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Maryland	63,411	60,998	322	342	0.50	0.56
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	302,818	285,430	1,107	1,092	0.36	0.38
Missouri	157,212	140,614	525	439	0.33	0.31
Montana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New Jersey	591	636	8	8	1.31	1.22
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
New York	8,665	7,964	105	90	1.20	1.12
North Carolina	551,715	520,731	1,970	1,772	0.36	0.34
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	39,321	38,175	285	273	0.72	0.71
Oklahoma	69,080	62,504	180	180	0.26	0.29
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	51,468	48,752	972	790	1.85	1.59
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	152,073	141,805	895	892	0.59	0.63
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	147,516	139,332	637	590	0.43	0.42
Texas	349,553	334,164	1,325	1,344	0.38	0.40
Utah	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Vermont	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	145,272	145,212	300	318	0.21	0.22
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	4,210,977	4,003,834	19,158	18,179	0.45	0.45

- 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: August and September 2022

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

State	Tuberculosis		Leukosis		Septicaemia	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	-	-	27	51	7,371	9,026
Arkansas	-	-	-	-	119	143
Delaware	-	-	53	17	11,572	9,516
Georgia	-	-	1	3	11,703	12,073
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Carolina	-	-	-	1	1	-
Texas	-	-	19	1	7,235	4,795
Virginia	-	-	3	1	4,098	4,924
United States	-	-	283	382	93,644	79,777
State	Airsacculitis		Synovitis		Tumors	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	2,902	2,570	5	4	146	126
Arkansas	317	304	4	4	-	-
Delaware	3,161	2,957	61	3	107	70
Georgia	20,982	20,864	35	37	594	501
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Carolina	1	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	3,066	2,079	30	9	212	241
Virginia	1,458	1,813	5	2	58	93
United States	68,618	65,756	492	480	2,507	2,523
State	Bruises		Cadaver		Contamination	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	359	338	314	529	7,081	4,822
Arkansas	2	5	-	-	47	159
Delaware	245	170	161	107	1,882	1,570
Georgia	750	872	433	574	5,202	6,632
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	83	100	3	2	616	405
Virginia	267	459	52	60	557	727
United States	3,780	4,148	1,688	1,944	50,113	44,383
State	Overscald		Miscellaneous ¹		Unknown ²	
	August	September	August	September	August	September
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
Alabama	439	204	30,492	22,099	164,085	151,329
Arkansas	21	19	141	208	104,029	100,317
Delaware	994	1,047	1,241	1,211	9,252	5,563
Georgia	12,631	13,286	74,383	66,898	186,291	172,562
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	139,237	139,160
North Carolina	-	-	-	-	137,470	117,028
Texas	1,111	742	3,309	1,583	82,474	94,164
Virginia	30	23	3,228	5,487	59,080	70,623
United States	18,252	17,963	217,237	215,061	1,531,485	1,547,535

- 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.

² Birds condemned with no cause given by federal inspectors and establishment sorters.

Young Turkeys Slaughtered, Total Live Weight, and Average Live Weight – States and United States: August and September 2022

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	August (1,000 head)	September (1,000 head)	August (1,000 pounds)	September (1,000 pounds)	August (pounds)	September (pounds)
Alabama	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delaware	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	1	1	39	35	30.41	26.95
Indiana	2,072	1,852	78,524	70,041	37.90	37.81
Iowa	1,111	1,000	44,174	41,957	39.75	41.94
Kansas	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maine	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maryland	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	3,492	3,343	91,452	80,244	26.19	24.01
Mississippi	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Missouri	570	532	12,080	11,460	21.20	21.53
Montana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Jersey	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
New York	9	9	181	193	19.83	20.32
North Carolina	1,880	1,893	67,054	67,669	35.67	35.74
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	621	559	28,637	25,158	46.10	45.00
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pennsylvania	726	776	19,893	19,581	27.41	25.24
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	128	168	5,727	7,234	44.72	43.08
Tennessee	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	2	4	67	135	30.41	30.58
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wisconsin	273	213	11,667	9,188	42.67	43.08
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	18,194	17,036	556,488	518,657	30.59	30.44

- Represents zero.

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

Young Turkeys Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations – States and United States: August and September 2022

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Total chilled and frozen pounds certified ¹		Post-mortem condemnations			
	August	September	Carcass and parts		Percent ²	
			August	September	August	September
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Alaska	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Connecticut	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Delaware	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Florida	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	32	27	-	-	(X)	(X)
Indiana	63,260	56,563	845	724	1.32	1.26
Iowa	35,065	33,286	560	429	1.57	1.27
Kansas	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maine	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Maryland	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Massachusetts	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	73,334	64,602	855	749	1.15	1.15
Mississippi	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	(X)
Missouri	9,963	9,449	102	100	1.01	1.05
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	119	124	3	3	2.33	2.21
North Carolina	53,101	53,790	320	323	0.60	0.60
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Ohio	22,885	20,115	321	265	1.38	1.30
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Oregon	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Pennsylvania	15,774	15,679	263	197	1.64	1.24
Rhode Island	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	4,619	5,846	60	59	1.29	1.00
Tennessee	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Vermont	54	108	-	-	(X)	(X)
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
Wisconsin	9,202	7,259	164	117	1.75	1.59
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	(X)	(X)
United States	445,928	416,822	5,273	4,751	1.17	1.13

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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 federally condemned prior to entry into the slaughter plant which includes Dead-On-Arrival (DOA) and condemned for other causes.

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 of birds condemned includes federally inspected and establishment sorted 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 349 plants slaughtered poultry in the United States under Federal Inspection in 2021. Young chickens were slaughtered in 38 States, young turkeys in 31 States.

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