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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 09-JULY-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 07/09/05	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/02/05
Broiler/fryer	148,056	174,838
Light hens	1,296	1,557
Heavy hens	1,212	1,461

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 02-July-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	240	0	240
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	148	0	148
Same week yr ago	65	0	65
To-date/2005	7,169	33	7,202
To-date/2004	6,295	71	6,366

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,814	1,452	3,266
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,806	1,572	3,378
Same week yr ago	1,517	1,354	2,871
To-date/2005	47,607	36,006	83,613
To-date/2004	40,992	33,837	74,829

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 02-July-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	174,829	1,574	1,452	3,026
Avg Wt	5.47	3.27	8.03	5.55
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	171,159	1,658	1,572	3,230
Same wk yr ago	160,885	1,452	1,354	2,806
Avg Wt	5.09	3.42	7.73	5.50
To-date/2005	4,154,948	40,438	35,973	76,411
To-date/2004	4,032,325	34,697	33,766	68,463

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 167.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 177.0 million head or 9.8 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 25-Jun-05

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----			
Head	30,112	25,652	54,561
Avg Weight	3.78	4.83	6.34
% of total /1	27%	23%	49%
Last week	26,026	26,861	44,300
Avg Weight	3.74	4.78	6.41
% of total /1	27%	28%	46%
Same week, yr ago /2	25,441	22,809	53,405
Avg Weight	3.76	4.74	6.37
% of total /1	25%	22%	53%
To date/2005	691,671	550,493	1,230,930
To date/2004	663,505	541,587	1,131,394

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 02-July-05
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,908	2,687	74	3	4,672
Avg Wt	15.77	37.09	24.92	23.70	28.18
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,999	2,714	26	5	4,744
Same wk yr ago	1,809	2,728	44	5	4,586
Avg Wt	15.94	36.27	24.75	26.44	28.13
To-date/2005	43,616	66,371	617	74	110,678
To-date/2004	44,604	65,387	1,163	173	111,327

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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