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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 27-Jan-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 01/27/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 01/20/06
Broiler/fryer	160,454	155,555
Light hens	1,093	1,121
Heavy hens	1,497	1,263

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	221	0	221
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	238	0	238
Same week yr ago	256	0	256
To-date/2007	513	0	513
To-date/2006	679	3	682

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,292	1,284	2,576
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,379	1,285	2,664
Same week yr ago	1,754	1,410	3,164
To-date/2007	3,611	3,895	7,506
To-date/2006	4,939	4,162	9,101

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	150,392	1,071	1,284	2,355
Avg Wt	5.43	3.45	7.95	6.79
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	160,409	1,141	1,285	2,426
Same wk yr ago	154,485	1,498	1,410	2,908
Avg Wt	5.40	3.33	7.91	5.55
To-date/2006	445,118	3,098	3,895	6,993
To-date/2005	471,813	4,260	4,159	8,419

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 150.2 million head, or 9.6 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-07

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	37,595	81,382	19,740	11,675	150,392
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.39	6.96	8.25	5.43
% of total /1	25%	54%	13%	8%	100%
Last week	42,431	83,697	24,265	10,016	160,409
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.44	6.94	8.21	5.43
% of total /1	27%	52%	15%	6%	100%
Year Ago 2/ /2 Comparable week.	41,610	74,638	19,758	18,479	154,485
Avg Live Wgt	3.77	5.37	6.91	8.26	5.40
% of total /1	27%	48%	13%	12	100%
To date/2007	115,235	234,534	62,290	33,059	445,118
To date/2006	134,858	221,400	66,911	48,644	471,813

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,578	2,540	22	2	4,142
Avg Wt	15.56	39.11	26.06	48.95	30.07
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,713	2,506	2	10	4,231
Same wk yr ago	1,504	2,830	28	6	4,368
Avg Wt	15.62	39.89	26.04	37.06	31.44
To-date/2006	4,767	7,204	32	14	12,017
To-date/2005	4,499	7,235	74	22	11,830

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