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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 17-Feb-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 02/17/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 02/10/06
Broiler/fryer	159,796	158,030
Light hens	1,221	1,144
Heavy hens	1,332	1,413

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 10-Feb-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	231	0	231
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	157	14	171
Same week yr ago	313	0	313
To-date/2007	1,196	14	1,210
To-date/2006	1,547	7	1,554

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,352	1,435	2,787
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,359	1,323	2,682
Same week yr ago	1,582	1,349	2,931
To-date/2007	7,684	8,162	15,856
To-date/2006	9,906	8,306	18,212

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 10-Feb-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	157,501	1,121	1,435	2,556
Avg Wt	5.35	3.28	7.94	5.90
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	155,610	1,202	1,309	2,511
Same wk yr ago	164,473	1,269	1,349	2,618
Avg Wt	5.41	3.35	8.01	5.75
To-date/2006	918,114	6,488	8,148	14,636
To-date/2005	962,563	8,359	8,299	16,658

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.4 million head, or 1.5 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 10-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	44,640	84,897	16,277	11,687	157,501
Avg Live Wgt	3.79	5.48	6.92	8.14	5.35
% of total /1	28%	54%	10%	8%	100%
Last week	39,542	83,768	21,587	10,713	155,610
Avg Live Wgt	3.64	5.38	6.99	8.49	5.37
% of total /1	25%	54%	14%	7%	100%
Year Ago 2/ /2 Comparable week.	47,685	77,937	25,537	13,314	164,473
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.38	6.97	8.20	5.41
% of total /1	29%	47%	16%	8%	100%
To date/2007	243,866	490,299	117,776	66,173	918,114
To date/2006	276,471	451,975	139,525	94,592	962,563

/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 10-Feb-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	2,149	2,491	12	7	4,659
Avg Wt	17.05	38.80	24.84	35.16	28.73
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,741	2,590	27	2	4,360
Same wk yr ago	1,777	2,429	14	5	4,225
Avg Wt	16.82	39.32	27.59	30.55	29.81
To-date/2006	10,414	14,825	78	23	25,340
To-date/2005	9,548	14,650	119	29	24,346

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