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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 05-May-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 05/05/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 04/28/07
Broiler/fryer	164,960	162,674
Light hens	1,340	1,293
Heavy hens	1,327	1,393

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 28-Apr-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	306	0	306
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	236	0	236
Same week yr ago	287	0	287
To-date/2007	3,699	14	3,713
To-date/2006	4,099	10	4,109

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,462	1,432	2,894
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,262	1,280	2,542
Same week yr ago	1,397	1,456	2,853
To-date/2007	22,666	23,017	45,683
To-date/2006	24,383	24,388	48,771

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 28-Apr-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	161,364	1,156	1,432	2,588
Avg Wt	5.50	3.29	8.14	5.97
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	159,610	1,026	1,280	2,306
Same wk yr ago	167,199	1,110	1,456	2,566
Avg Wt	5.47	3.32	8.03	5.99
To-date/2007	2,667,469	18,967	23,003	41,970
To-date/2006	2,736,169	20,284	24,378	44,662

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 164.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 163.3 million head, or 1.0 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 28-Apr-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	40,862	77,296	30,866	12,340	161,364
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.40	6.84	8.26	5.50
% of total /1	25%	48%	19%	8%	100%
Last week	38,685	79,138	27,381	14,406	159,610
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.36	6.92	8.32	5.50
% of total /1	24%	50%	17%	9%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	49,085 3.82	71,277 5.76	31,526 7.01	15,311 8.20	167,199 5.47
% of total /1	29%	43%	19%	9%	100%
To date/2007	719,715	1,366,491	381,032	200,231	2,667,469
To date/2006	790,782	1,310,508	395,399	239,480	2,736,169

/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 28-Apr-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,951	2,594	12	3	4,560
Avg Wt	16.55	38.02	24.16	31.03	28.79
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,039	2,597	12	0	4,648
Same wk yr ago	2,308	2,590	34	8	4,940
Avg Wt	17.39	37.95	22.93	27.02	28.22
To-date/2007	31,637	42,688	237	73	74,635
To-date/2006	31,038	41,867	420	99	73,424

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