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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Oct-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 10/20/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 10/13/07
Broiler/fryer	169,495	170,628
Light hens	1,197	1,045
Heavy hens	1,534	1,594

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	WEEK ENDING 13-Oct-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	262	0	262
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	249	10	259
Same week yr ago	90	4	94
To-date/2007	10,598	36	10,634
To-date/2006	6,379	38	6,417

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,294	1,609	2,903
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,454	1,608	3,062
Same week yr ago	1,098	1,542	2,640
To-date/2007	55,785	59,884	115,669
To-date/2006	51,130	60,922	112,052

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 13-Oct-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	167,086	1,032	1,609	2,641
Avg Wt	5.52	3.15	7.93	6.06
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	171,257	1,205	1,598	2,803
Same wk yr ago	161,719	1,008	1,538	2,546
Avg Wt	5.61	3.29	8.05	6.17
To-date/2007	6,624,980	45,187	59,848	105,035
To-date/2006	6,628,666	44,751	60,884	105,635

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 167.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.1 million head, or 2.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 13-Oct-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	46,637	75,536	27,891	17,022	167,086
Avg Live Wgt	3.77	5.47	6.94	8.26	5.52
% of total /1	28%	45%	17%	10%	100%
Last week	42,786	82,472	29,464	16,535	171,257
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.39	7.01	8.60	5.59
% of total /1	25%	48%	17%	10%	100%
Year Ago 2/	40,380	81,002	21,541	18,796	161,719
Avg Live Wgt	3.77	5.49	7.00	8.19	5.61
% of total /1	25%	50%	13%	12%	100%
To date/2007	1,774,044	3,316,747	1,074,134	460,055	6,624,980
To date/2006	1,895,048	3,277,984	927,968	527,666	6,628,666

/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 13-Oct-07  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,844	2,822	35	11	4,712
Avg Wt	16.21	36.93	25.25	26.29	28.71
Head sltr comparisons <sup>82</sup>					
Last week	1,947	2,730	40	2	4,719
Same wk yr ago	1,858	2,819	36	10	4,723
Avg Wt	16.40	36.66	24.89	30.71	28.59
To-date/2007	80,536	107,270	970	215	188,991
To-date/2006	78,928	105,193	1,020	195	185,336

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