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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 09-Feb-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 02/09/08	PREVIOUS WEEK 02/02/08
Broiler/fryer	166,284	166,019
Light hens	1,235	1,486
Heavy hens	1,571	1,518

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****

WEEK ENDING 26-Jan-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	348	0	348
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	360	0	360
Same week yr ago	295	0	295
To-date/2008	1,067	0	1,067
To-date/2007	808	0	808

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,718	1,474	3,192
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,987	1,442	3,429
Same week yr ago	1,362	1,509	2,871
To-date/2008	6,750	5,563	12,313
To-date/2007	4,973	5,404	10,377

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 02-Feb-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	166,095	1,457	1,524	2,981
Avg Wt	5.47	3.12	8.05	5.64
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	159,983	1,370	1,474	2,844
Same wk yr ago	155,610	1,202	1,309	2,511
Avg Wt	5.37	3.27	8.05	5.76
To-date/2008	798,784	7,140	7,087	14,227
To-date/2007	760,613	5,367	6,713	12,080

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 169.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 168.1 million head, or 1.2 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 02-Feb-08

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	47,515	76,928	27,102	14,551	166,096
Avg Live Wgt	3.89	5.45	6.83	8.22	5.47
% of total /1	29%	46%	16%	9%	100%
Last week	45,951	72,822	23,833	17,377	159,983
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.38	6.85	8.28	5.48
% of total /1	29%	45%	15%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	39,542 3.64	83,768 5.38	21,587 6.99	10,713 8.49	155,610 5.37
% of total /1	25%	54%	14%	7%	100%
To date/2008	216,558	387,033	114,491	80,703	798,785
To date/2007	199,226	405,402	101,499	54,486	760,613

/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 02-Feb-08
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,877	2,867	16	1	4,761
Avg Wt	16.03	39.30	30.73	61.15	30.10
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,787	2,764	19	0	4,570
Same wk yr ago	1,741	2,590	27	2	4,360
Avg Wt	16.07	38.47	25.28	32.73	29.44
To-date/2008	8,819	13,711	63	25	22,618
To-date/2007	8,265	12,334	66	16	20,681

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