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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Feb-09(THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK 02/14/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 02/07/09
Broiler/fryer	159,496	159,459
Light hens	1,236	1,263
Heavy hens	1,533	1,319

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****
WEEK ENDING 07-Feb-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	280	0	280
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	267	0	267
Same week yr ago	310	0	310
To-date/2009	1,260	11	1,271
To-date/2008	1,517	4	1,521

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,526	1,545	3,071
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,651	1,394	3,045
Same week yr ago	1,630	1,568	3,198
To-date/2009	7,946	7,865	15,811
To-date/2008	8,872	7,536	16,408

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 07-Feb-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	155,496	1,246	1,545	2,791
Avg Wt	5.49	3.43	7.78	5.84
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	148,079	1,384	1,394	2,778
Same wk yr ago	165,446	1,320	1,568	2,888
Avg Wt	5.52	3.29	8.10	5.90
To-date/2009	779,016	6,686	7,854	14,540
To-date/2008	828,203	7,355	7,532	14,887

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 157.4 million head, or 0.0 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 13-Feb-09

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	39,331	76,847	24,565	14,753	155,496
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.33	6.98	8.26	5.49
% of total /1	25%	49%	16%	10%	100%
Last week	37,286	76,671	17,074	17,048	148,079
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.42	7.05	8.68	5.59
% of total /1	25%	52%	12%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/	44,571	76,061	27,793	17,021	165,446
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.44	6.74	8.26	5.52
% of total /1	27%	46%	17%	10%	100%
To date/2009	197,113	392,451	113,692	75,760	779,016
To date/2008	227,524	394,315	124,082	82,282	828,203

/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-Feb-09
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,678	2,735	27	16	4,456
Avg Wt	15.98	38.87	28.09	29.09	30.15
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,785	2,611	35	7	4,438
Same wk yr ago	1,991	2,901	27	16	4,935
Avg Wt	16.24	39.19	25.71	30.36	29.83
To-date/2009	8,931	13,451	155	59	22,596
To-date/2008	9,441	14,330	83	40	23,894

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