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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Jul-09(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/18/09	07/11/09
Broiler/fryer	163,254	157,678
Light hens	1,479	1,503
Heavy hens	1,598	1,671

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING

WEEK ENDING 11-Jul-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	394	0	394
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	277	0	277
Same week yr ago	175	0	175
To-date/2009*	7,859	19	7,878
To-date/2008*	8,742	38	8,780

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,820	1,658	3,478
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,432	1,321	2,753
Same week yr ago	1,527	1,821	3,348
To-date/2009*	42,936	39,866	82,802
To-date/2008*	46,788	42,779	89,567

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 11-Jul-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL
	CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS
Head	159,921	1,426	1,658	3,084
Avg Wt	5.46	3.17	7.94	5.73
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	151,850	1,155	1,321	2,476
Same wk yr ago	171,673	1,352	1,821	3,173
Avg Wt	5.55	3.06	7.88	5.83
To-date/2009	4,212,647	35,077	39,847	74,924
To-date/2008	4,456,248	38,046	42,741	80,787

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.9 million head, or 3.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,

CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 11-Jul-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	41,353	78,699	25,670	14,199	159,921
Avg Live Wgt	3.87	5.35	6.84	8.18	5.46
% of total /1	26%	49%	16%	9%	100%
Last week	40,605	77,726	23,258	10,261	151,850
Avg Live Wgt	3.77	5.47	7.12	8.18	5.45
% of total /1	27%	51%	15%	7%	100%
Year Ago 2/	39,775	85,775	24,445	21,678	171,673
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.29	6.75	8.42	5.55
% of total /1	23%	50%	14%	13%	100%
To date/2009	1,093,280	2,109,802	611,716	397,849	4,212,647
To date/2008	1,167,322	2,159,569	652,120	477,237	4,456,248

/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 11-Jul-09
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	2,067	2,645	34	2	4,748
Avg Wt	18.07	36.86	26.80	57.99	28.62
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,764	2,251	13	16	4,044
Same wk yr ago	2,262	2,912	20	2	5,196
Avg Wt	16.56	38.22	24.67	34.13	28.74
To-date/2009	51,632	69,556	607	133	121,928
To-date/2008	53,461	73,843	610	272	128,186

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