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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 25-Jul-09(THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK 07/25/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/18/09
Broiler/fryer	166,232	163,254
Light hens	1,080	1,479
Heavy hens	1,553	1,598

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****
WEEK ENDING 18-Jul-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	322	0	322
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	394	0	394
Same week yr ago	415	0	415
To-date/2009*	8,181	19	8,200
To-date/2008*	9,175	38	9,195

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,773	1,610	3,383
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,820	1,658	3,478
Same week yr ago	1,849	1,873	3,722
To-date/2009*	44,709	41,476	86,185
To-date/2008*	48,637	44,652	93,289

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 17-Jul-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	160,681	1,451	1,610	3,061
Avg Wt	5.43	3.23	7.94	5.73
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	159,921	1,426	1,658	3,084
Same wk yr ago	167,803	1,434	1,873	3,307
Avg Wt	5.47	3.34	7.52	5.71
To-date/2009	4,373,328	36,528	41,457	77,985
To-date/2008	4,624,051	39,480	44,614	84,094

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.6 million head, or 2.7 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 17-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	42,485	81,119	21,154	15,923	160,681
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.43	6.86	8.11	5.43
% of total /1	26%	51%	13%	10%	100%
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	38,762	87,923	22,110	19,008	167,803
Avg Live Wgt	3.73	5.34	6.75	8.05	5.47
% of total /1	23%	53%	13%	11%	100%
To date/2009	1,135,765	2,190,921	632,870	413,772	4,373,328
To date/2008	1,206,084	2,247,492	674,230	496,245	4,624,051

/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 17-Jul-09
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,920	2,579	34	2	4,535
Avg Wt	17.23	37.14	39.33	43.18	28.73
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,067	2,645	34	2	4,748
Same wk yr ago	2,230	2,773	22	1	5,026
Avg Wt	16.33	38.68	24.48	58.57	28.71
To-date/2009	53,552	72,135	641	135	126,463
To-date/2008	55,691	76,616	632	273	133,212

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