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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Aug-09(THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK 08/01/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/25/09
Broiler/fryer	167,502	166,232
Light hens	1,470	1,080
Heavy hens	1,650	1,553

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****
WEEK ENDING 25-Jul-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	303	0	303
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	322	0	322
Same week yr ago	470	0	0
To-date/2009*	8,484	19	8,503
To-date/2008*	9,624	38	9,662

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	1,655	2,949
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,773	1,610	3,383
Same week yr ago	1,465	1,812	3,277
To-date/2009*	46,003	43,131	89,134
To-date/2008*	50,569	46,464	97,033

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 25-Jul-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	160,744	991	1,655	2,646
Avg Wt	5.48	3.36	7.86	6.17
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	160,681	1,451	1,610	3,061
Same wk yr ago	163,014	1,465	1,812	3,277
Avg Wt	5.48	3.15	7.89	5.77
To-date/2009	4,534,072	37,519	43,112	80,631
To-date/2008	4,787,065	40,945	46,426	87,371

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.7 million head, or 2.3 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 25-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	41,666	79,457	21,883	17,738	160,744
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.40	6.84	8.21	5.48
% of total /1	26%	49%	14%	11%	100%
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	40,907	82,465	25,534	14,108	163,014
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.37	7.05	8.10	5.48
% of total /1	25%	50%	16%	9%	100%
To date/2009	1,177,431	2,270,378	654,753	431,510	4,534,072
To date/2008	1,246,991	2,329,957	699,764	510,353	4,787,065

/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 25-Jul-09
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,125	2,686	38	14	4,863
Avg Wt	16.54	37.40	26.42	24.79	28.17
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,920	2,579	34	2	4,535
Same wk yr ago	2,174	2,835	27	17	5,053
Avg Wt	15.75	38.02	25.81	37.13	28.37
To-date/2009	55,677	74,821	679	149	131,326
To-date/2008	57,865	79,451	659	290	138,265

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