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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Aug-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 08/22/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/15/09
Broiler/fryer	165,952	167,623
Light hens	1,550	1,455
Heavy hens	1,552	1,756

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

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

WEEK ENDING 15-Aug-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	441	0	441
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	334	0	334
Same week yr ago	390	0	390
To-date/2009*	9,729	19	9,748
To-date/2008*	10,803	46	10,849

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,742	1,763	3,505
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,616	1,564	3,180
Same week yr ago	1,850	1,728	3,578
To-date/2009*	51,144	48,117	99,261
To-date/2008*	55,900	51,751	107,651

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 15-Aug-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	163,237	1,301	1,763	3,064
Avg Wt	5.52	3.29	7.74	5.85
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	164,770	1,282	1,564	2,846
Same wk yr ago	167,289	1,460	1,728	3,188
Avg Wt	5.51	3.24	7.94	5.79
To-date/2009	5,025,711	41,415	48,098	89,513
To-date/2008	5,288,425	45,097	51,705	96,802

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.2 million head, or 4.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 15-Aug-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	38,747	88,316	20,657	15,517	163,237
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.45	6.93	8.07	5.52
% of total /1	24%	54%	13%	9%	100%
Last week	41,720	85,416	18,517	19,117	164,770
Avg Live Wgt	3.91	5.39	6.81	8.13	5.49
% of total /1	25%	52%	11%	12%	100%
Year Ago 2/	41,233	82,506	25,624	17,908	167,289
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.40	6.81	8.05	5.51
% of total /1	25%	49%	15%	11%	100%
To date/2009	1,299,788	2,524,839	714,917	486,167	5,025,711
To date/2008	1,373,457	2,575,622	779,821	559,525	5,288,425

/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 15-Aug-09  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	2,017	2,658	26	16	4,717
Avg Wt	17.21	36.77	27.19	26.40	28.32
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,993	2,678	30	15	4,716
Same wk yr ago	2,076	2,864	28	27	4,995
Avg Wt	15.76	37.21	24.11	26.60	28.16
To-date/2009	61,717	82,754	754	184	145,409
To-date/2008	64,203	88,191	768	327	153,489

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