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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 21-Nov-09(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 11/21/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 11/14/09
Broiler/fryer	160,935	161,434
Light hens	1,299	1,256
Heavy hens	1,446	1,491

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

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

WEEK ENDING 14-Nov-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	225	0	225
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	131	0	131
Same week yr ago	215	0	215
To-date/2009*	13,711	43	13,754
To-date/2008*	14,222	62	14,284

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,502	1,523	3,025
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,233	1,502	2,735
Same week yr ago	1,616	1,650	3,266
To-date/2009*	71,262	68,309	139,571
To-date/2008*	76,101	74,130	150,231

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 14-Nov-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	158,130	1,277	1,523	2,800
Avg Wt	5.56	3.21	8.29	5.97
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	160,025	1,102	1,502	2,604
Same wk yr ago	159,887	1,401	1,650	3,051
Avg Wt	5.51	3.25	7.75	5.68
To-date/2009	7,115,457	57,551	68,266	125,817
To-date/2008	7,406,437	61,879	74,068	135,947

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 151.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 160.1 million head, or 8.9 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 14-Nov-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	37,310	77,770	20,817	22,233	158,130
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.32	6.60	8.32	5.56
% of total /1	24%	50%	14%	12%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,905	76,511	21,717	22,892	160,025
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.45	6.67	8.33	5.64
% of total /1	24%	50%	14%	12%	100%
Year Ago 2/	39,620	78,354	21,824	20,089	159,887
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.36	6.74	8.26	5.51
% of total /1	25%	49%	14%	12%	100%
To date/2009*	1,783,001	3,588,828	1,002,149	740,479	7,114,457
To date/2008*	1,894,403	3,573,288	1,123,502	815,244	7,406,437

/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 14-Nov-09  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,316	3,092	43	0	5,451
Avg Wt	17.08	35.98	25.11	0.00	27.87
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,534	3,080	22	3	5,639
Same wk yr ago	2,735	2,894	9	0	5,638
Avg Wt	17.48	37.94	27.86	0.00	28.00
To-date/2009*	87,159	119,237	1,097	297	207,790
To-date/2008*	92,421	125,069	1,336	427	219,253

\*Note: Year-to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

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