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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 07-Jun-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 06/07/08	PREVIOUS WEEK 05/31/08
Broiler/fryer	166,376	155,748
Light hens	1,377	1,109
Heavy hens	1,618	1,355

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

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

WEEK ENDING 31-Jun-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	330	0	330
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	253	0	253
Same week yr ago	293	0	293
To-date/2008	7,302	30	7,332
To-date/2007	5,124	14	5,138

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,511	1,343	2,854
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,697	1,706	3,403
Same week yr ago	1,373	1,295	2,668
To-date/2008	38,003	33,977	71,980
To-date/2007	29,664	30,299	59,963

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

**WEEK ENDING 31-May-08 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	152,590	1,181	1,343	2,524
Avg Wt	5.43	3.31	7.95	5.78
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	167,881	1,444	1,706	3,150
Same wk yr ago	155,232	1,080	1,295	2,375
Avg Wt	5.46	3.48	8.09	5.99
To-date/2008	3,604,170	30,701	33,947	64,648
To-date/2007	3,482,518	24,540	30,285	54,825

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 167.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 154.4 million head, or 12.6 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 31-May-08

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	42,834	73,980	20,097	15,679	152,590
Avg Live Wgt	3.87	5.39	6.75	8.22	5.43
% of total /1	28%	49%	13%	10%	100%
Last week	40,536	90,331	17,960	19,054	167,881
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.46	6.84	8.27	5.54
% of total /1	24%	54%	11%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/	38,079	80,084	23,145	13,924	155,232
Avg Live Wgt	3.79	5.36	6.93	8.20	5.46
% of total /1	25%	51%	15%	9%	100%
To date/2008	950,165	1,746,149	533,911	374,848	3,604,170
To date/2007	935,044	1,767,785	517,007	262,682	3,482,518

/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 31-May-08  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,700	2,462	36	16	4,214
Avg Wt	16.59	37.53	26.63	31.90	28.97
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,036	2,830	11	18	4,895
Same wk yr ago	1,741	2,257	26	7	4,031
Avg Wt	16.29	38.49	29.11	33.38	28.83
To-date/2008	42,486	59,628	453	219	102,786
To-date/2007	41,700	55,567	332	110	97,450

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