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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Sep-09(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 09/12/09	PREVIOUS WEEK 09/05/09
Broiler/fryer	149,828	169,915
Light hens	1,212	1,517
Heavy hens	1,389	1,350

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

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

WEEK ENDING 05-Sep-09 THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	291	0	291
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	390	0	390
Same week yr ago	223	0	223
To-date/2009*	10,935	19	10,954
To-date/2008*	11,602	50	11,652

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,660	1,346	3,006
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,673	1,711	3,384
Same week yr ago	1,315	1,524	2,839
To-date/2009*	56,414	52,705	109,119
To-date/2008*	60,431	56,862	117,293

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 05-Sep-09 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	165,570	1,369	1,346	2,715
Avg Wt	5.46	3.29	7.88	5.57
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	165,093	1,283	1,711	2,994
Same wk yr ago	144,936	1,092	1,524	2,616
Avg Wt	5.67	3.25	7.72	5.85
To-date/2009	5,520,369	45,479	52,686	98,165
To-date/2008	5,769,383	48,829	56,812	105,641

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.6 million head, or 10.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 05-Sep-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	42,083	84,413	22,422	16,652	165,570
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.39	6.80	8.20	5.46
% of total /1	25%	51%	14%	10%	100%
Last week	32,796	87,800	27,156	17,341	165,093
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.39	6.80	8.19	5.61
% of total /1	20%	53%	16%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/	35,991	64,506	22,037	22,402	144,936
Avg Live Wgt	3.87	5.37	6.74	8.38	5.67
% of total /1	25%	45%	15%	15%	100%
To date/2009	1,416,114	2,782,284	784,907	537,064	5,520,369
To date/2008	1,493,946	2,802,067	856,284	617,086	5,769,383

/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 05-Sep-09  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	1,824	2,715	30	6	4,575
Avg Wt	16.85	36.45	23.43	28.28	28.54
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,031	2,707	34	4	4,776
Same wk yr ago	1,775	2,254	22	7	4,058
Avg Wt	16.99	38.72	24.76	34.42	29.13
To-date/2009	67,590	90,802	824	200	159,416
To-date/2008	69,945	96,080	904	343	167,272

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