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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 23-Jan-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/23/10	01/16/10
Broiler/fryer	157,237	167,194
Light hens	1,650	1,831
Heavy hens	1,893	1,479

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 09-Jan-10 (THOUSAND HEAD) *******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	368	0	368
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	86	0	86
Same week yr ago	224	0	224
To-date/2010*	368	0	368
To-date/2009*	224	0	224

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,765	1,226	2,991
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,406	929	2,335
Same week yr ago	1,765	1,563	3,161
To-date/2010*	1,765	1,226	2,991
To-date/2009*	1,598	1,563	3,161

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 16-Jan-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	163,958	1,791	1,465	3,256
Avg Wt	5.66	3.25	7.84	5.32
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	164,596	1,397	1,226	2,623
Same wk yr ago	160,046	1,324	1,963	3,287
Avg Wt	5.40	3.36	7.88	6.06
To-date/2010*	328,554	3,188	2,691	5,879
To-date/2009*	326,862	2,698	3,526	6,224

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 152.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.9 million head, or 13.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 16-Jan-10

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	36,487	86,797	20,128	20,546	163,958
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.44	6.80	8.66	5.66
% of total /1	22%	53%	12%	13%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	42,498	75,797	25,253	21,048	164,596
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.46	6.73	8.44	5.62
% of total /1	26%	46%	15%	13%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	41,594 3.65	79,091 5.33	26,929 6.97	12,432 8.30	160,046 5.40
% of total /1	26%	49%	17%	8%	100%
To date/2010*	78,985	162,594	45,381	41,594	328,554
To date/2009*	80,632	165,627	50,677	29,926	326,862

/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 16-Jan-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,810	2,510	24	12	4,356
Avg Wt	16.92	39.67	27.76	30.53	30.12
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,723	2,508	17	1	4,249
Same wk yr ago	1,938	2,661	46	33	4,678
Avg Wt	16.62	39.45	28.01	29.01	29.81
To-date/2010*	3,533	5,018	41	13	8,605
To-date/2009*	3,785	5,488	67	35	9,375

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

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