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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**  
**FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-10(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	01/30/10	01/23/10
Broiler/fryer	162,732	157,237
Light hens	1,669	1,650
Heavy hens	1,368	1,893

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

**NOTE: \*\*\*\*\* WEEK ENDING 16-Jan-10 & 23-Jan-10 THOUSAND HEAD)\*\*\*\*\***

	LIGHT HENS		HEAVY HENS		TOTAL	
	1-16-10	1-23-10	01-16-10	01-23-10	01-16-10	01-23-10
Head	370	473	0	0	370	473
Head sltr Comparisons						
Last Week	368	370	0	0	368	370
Same week yr ago	305	183	11	0	316	183
To-date/2010*	738	1,211	0	0	738	1,211
To-date/2009*	529	712	11	11	540	723

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 23-Jan-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	154,866	1,536	1,342	2,878
Avg Wt	5.56	3.16	7.64	5.25
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	163,958	1,791	1,465	3,256
Same wk yr ago	148,579	1,358	1,389	2,747
Avg Wt	5.48	3.40	7.87	5.66
To-date/2010*	483,420	4,724	4,033	8,757
To-date/2009*	475,441	4,056	4,915	8,971

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.7 million head, or 0.1 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 23-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	39,778	78,842	16,796	19,450	154,866
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.40	6.83	8.58	5.56
% of total /1	26%	51%	11%	12%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	39,864 3.86	73,306 5.39	21,376 6.99	14,033 8.25	148,579 5.48
% of total /1	27%	49%	14%	10%	100%
To date/2010*	118,763	241,436	62,177	61,044	483,420
To date/2009*	120,496	238,933	72,053	43,959	475,441

/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 23-Jan-10  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,799	2,586	28	6	4,419
Avg Wt	17.30	40.11	27.98	42.32	30.75
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,810	2,510	24	12	4,356
Same wk yr ago	1,683	2,617	26	1	4,327
Avg Wt	16.51	40.33	27.21	29.23	30.98
To-date/2010*	5,332	7,604	69	19	13,024
To-date/2009*	5,468	8,105	93	36	13,702

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

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