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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Feb-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	02/13/10	02/06/10
Broiler/fryer	163,826	156,938
Light hens	1,418	1,534
Heavy hens	1,179	1,363

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

NOTE: *** WEEK ENDING 06-Feb-10 (THOUSAND HEAD) *******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	490	0	490
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	262	0	262
Same week yr ago	280	0	280
To-date/2010*	1,963	0	1,963
To-date/2009*	1,259	11	1,270

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,980	1,390	3,370
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,803	1,385	3,188
Same week yr ago	1,526	1,545	3,071
To-date/2010*	9,718	6,808	16,526
To-date/2009*	7,945	7,865	15,810

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 06-FEB-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	159,890	1,490	1,390	2,880
Avg Wt	5.53	3.18	7.82	5.42
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	151,334	1,541	1,385	2,926
Same wk yr ago	155,496	1,246	1,545	2,791
Avg Wt	5.49	3.43	7.78	5.84
To-date/2010*	794,644	7,755	6,808	14,563
To-date/2009*	779,016	6,686	7,854	14,540

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.8 million head, or 3.8 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 06-Feb-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	41,571	83,143	17,390	17,786	159,890
Avg Live Wgt	3.90	5.42	6.75	8.29	5.53
% of total /1	26%	52%	11%	11%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,583	80,512	15,870	16,369	151,334
Avg Live Wgt	3.92	5.41	6.72	8.31	5.48
% of total /1	26%	53%	10%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/ /2	39,331	76,847	24,565	14,753	155,496
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.33	6.98	8.26	5.49
% of total /1	25%	49%	16%	10%	100%
To date/2010*	198,917	405,091	95,437	95,199	794,644
To date/2009*	197,113	392,451	113,692	75,760	779,016

/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 06-Feb-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,816	2,484	47	6	4,353
Avg Wt	17.04	40.22	26.39	45.35	30.41
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,664	2,413	22	4	4,103
Same wk yr ago	1,678	2,735	27	16	4,456
Avg Wt	15.98	38.87	28.09	29.09	30.15
To-date/2010*	8,812	12,501	138	29	21,480
To-date/2009*	8,931	13,451	155	59	22,596

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

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