



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS AND ANALYSIS BRANCH
60 FORSYTH STREET, SW SUITE 6M80
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

OFFICE: 404-562-5850 **FAX:** 404-562-5875 **ANNIE TERRY:** 404-562-5870
INTERNET: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/pymarketnews> **RECORDING:** 404-562-5856

February 19, 2010

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

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	02/20/10	02/13/10
Broiler/fryer	152,849	163,826
Light hens	1,415	1,418
Heavy hens	1,231	1,179

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

NOTE: *** WEEK ENDING 13-Feb-10 (THOUSAND HEAD) *******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	308	0	308
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	490	0	490
Same week yr ago	246	0	246
To-date/2010*	2,271	0	2,271
To-date/2009*	1,505	11	1,516

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,647	1,201	2,848
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,980	1,390	3,370
Same week yr ago	1,352	1,572	2,924
To-date/2010*	11,365	8,009	19,374
To-date/2009*	9,297	9,437	18,734

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 13-FEB-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	156,281	1,339	1,201	2,540
Avg Wt	5.48	3.20	7.79	5.37
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	159,890	1,490	1,390	2,880
Same wk yr ago	154,549	1,106	1,572	2,678
Avg Wt	5.48	3.30	7.85	5.97
To-date/2010*	950,925	9,094	8,009	17,103
To-date/2009*	933,565	7,792	9,426	17,218

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 158.2 million head, or 0.8 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 13-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	42,907	78,091	18,521	16,762	156,281
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.47	6.83	8.26	5.48
% of total /1	27%	50%	12%	11%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	41,184 3.84	76,740 5.43	22,902 6.96	13,723 8.26	154,549 5.48
% of total /1	27%	49%	15%	9%	100%
To date/2010*	241,824	483,182	113,958	111,961	950,925
To date/2009*	238,297	469,191	136,594	89,483	933,565

/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 13-Feb-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,869	2,424	35	12	4,340
Avg Wt	17.13	39.94	24.97	32.00	29.97
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,816	2,484	47	6	4,353
Same wk yr ago	2,064	2,527	35	6	4,632
Avg Wt	17.00	39.73	25.40	29.07	29.48
To-date/2010*	10,681	14,925	173	41	25,820
To-date/2009*	10,995	15,978	190	65	27,228

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

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (404) 562-5850.