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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 08-May-10(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	167,659	165,587
Light hens	1,667	1,535
Heavy hens	1,444	1,435

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

NOTE:	***** WEEK ENDING 01-May-10 THOUSAND HEAD)*****		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	470	11	481
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	286	24	310
Same week yr ago	391	0	391
To-date/2010*	5,875	126	6,001
To-date/2009*	4,863	11	4,874

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,873	1,421	3,294
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,818	1,482	3,300
Same week yr ago	1,847	1,266	3,113
To-date/2010*	30,833	22,717	53,550
To-date/2009*	25,795	25,524	51,319

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 01-May-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	163,557	1,403	1,410	2,813
Avg Wt	5.68	3.20	7.88	5.55
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	162,987	1,532	1,458	2,990
Same wk yr ago	157,586	1,456	1,266	2,722
Avg Wt	5.50	3.28	7.67	5.32
To-date/2010*	2,708,144	24,958	22,591	47,549
To-date/2009*	2,634,003	20,932	25,513	46,445

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.5 million head, or 5.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 01-May-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	39,224	74,399	28,808	21,126	163,557
Avg Live Wgt	3.92	5.43	6.74	8.39	5.68
% of total /1	24%	45%	18%	13%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,353	80,343	22,143	22,148	162,987
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.48	6.65	8.54	5.64
% of total /1	23%	49%	14%	14%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	39,549 3.84	78,485 5.43	26,137 6.86	13,415 9.00	157,586 5.50
% of total /1	25%	49%	17%	9%	100%
To date/2010*	681,764	1,324,275	358,248	343,857	2,708,144
To date/2009*	683,748	1,319,839	386,182	244,234	2,634,003

/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 01-May-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B) HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,583	2,766	15	4	4,368
Avg Wt	16.41	37.89	24.65	47.41	30.07
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,601	2,639	30	2	4,272
Same wk yr ago	1,807	2,778	45	2	4,632
Avg Wt	16.34	37.11	31.04	57.74	28.96
To-date/2010*	30,112	42,937	388	109	73,546
To-date/2009*	31,679	44,272	477	92	76,520

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

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