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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Sep-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	172,475 (2)	151,143
Light hens	1,589	1,088
Heavy hens	1,412	1,276

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

*****DATA FOR THE WEEKENDING*****

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 11-Sep-10 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	260	69	329
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	264	0	264
Same week yr ago	390	0	390
To-date/2010*	12,189	391	12,580
To-date/2009*	11,324	19	11,343

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,224	1,370	2,594
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,593	1,432	3,025
Same week yr ago	1,401	1,341	2,742
To-date/2010*	62,663	51,032	113,695
To-date/2009*	57,814	54,046	111,860

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 11-Sep-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	149,002	964	1,301	2,265	395
Avg Wt	5.53	3.26	8.06	6.02	6.85
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	172,096	1,329	1,432	2,761	421
Same wk yr ago	148,041	1,011	1,341	2,352	394
Avg Wt	5.54	3.21	7.74	5.79	6.78
To-date/2010*	5,792,036	50,474	50,641	101,115	14,997
To-date/2009*	5,668,410	46,490	54,027	100,517	14,729

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 150.8 million head, or 8.9 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 11-Sep-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	32,065	78,971	18,595	19,371	149,002
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.43	6.90	8.25	5.53
% of total /1	22%	53%	12%	13%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,718	93,342	22,221	18,815	172,096
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.42	6.84	8.11	5.55
% of total /1	22%	54%	13%	11%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	37,639 3.87	73,596 5.44	19,045 6.74	17,761 8.24	148,041 5.54
% of total /1	25%	50%	14%	12%	100%
To date/2010*	1,433,038	2,830,745	869,642	658,611	5,792,036
To date/2009*	1,453,753	2,855,880	803,952	554,825	5,668,410

/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 11-Sep-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,539	2,244	17	7	3,807
Avg Wt	17.03	36.94	23.80	40.25	28.84
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,708	2,600	27	10	4,345
Same wk yr ago	1,644	2,302	24	2	3,972
Avg Wt	16.80	36.85	24.41	57.49	28.48
To-date/2010*	64,438	91,365	740	247	156,790
To-date/2009*	69,234	93,104	848	202	163,388

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

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