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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 25-Sep-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	169,399 (2)	172,475
Light hens	1,732	1,589
Heavy hens	1,414	1,412

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

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

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 18-Sep-10 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	417	0	417
Head sltr Comparisons			
	Correction on last week		
	**270	**24	294
Same week yr ago	401	0	401
To-date/2010*	12,606	391	12,997
To-date/2009*	11,725	19	11,744

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,904	1,466	3,370
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,234	1,325	2,559
Same week yr ago	1,604	1,608	3,212
To-date/2010*	64,567	52,498	117,065
To-date/2009*	59,418	55,654	115,072

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 18-Sep-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	168,707	1,487	1,466	2,953	440
Avg Wt	5.68	3.20	8.14	5.65	6.98
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	149,002	964	1,301	2,265	395
Same wk yr ago	163,511	1,203	1,608	2,811	445
Avg Wt	5.57	3.14	7.82	5.82	6.81
To-date/2010*	5,960,743	51,961	52,107	104,068	15,437
To-date/2009*	5,831,921	47,693	55,635	103,328	15,174

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 161.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 170.8 million head, or 9.4 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 18-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	36,703	81,586	26,025	24,393	168,707
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.50	6.78	8.19	5.68
% of total /1	22%	48%	15%	15%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	35,539 3.90	88,111 5.36	19,789 6.81	20,072 8.20	163,511 5.57
% of total /1	22%	54%	12%	12%	100%
To date/2010*	1,469,741	2,912,331	895,667	683,004	5,960,743
To date/2009*	1,489,292	2,943,991	823,741	574,897	5,831,921

/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 18-Sep-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,871	2,750	28	12	4,661
Avg Wt	17.00	36.51	27.09	41.87	28.64
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,539	2,244	17	7	3,807
Same wk yr ago	1,901	2,773	42	15	4,731
Avg Wt	16.88	36.88	25.37	28.69	28.72
To-date/2010*	66,309	94,115	768	259	161,451
To-date/2009*	71,135	95,877	890	217	168,119

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

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