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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 09-Oct-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	168,875 (2)	168,264
Light hens	1,695	1,523
Heavy hens	1,302	1,363

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

NOTE: ********* WEEK ENDING 02-Oct-10 THOUSAND HEAD) *********

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	370	0	370
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	351	27	378
Same week yr ago	300	9	309
To-date/2010*	13,327	418	13,745
To-date/2009*	12,331	35	12,366

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,764	1,434	3,198
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,915	1,512	3,427
Same week yr ago	1,530	1,559	3,089
To-date/2010*	68,246	55,444	123,690
To-date/2009*	62,705	58,819	121,524

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 02-Oct-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	167,672	1,394	1,434	2,828	449
Avg Wt	5.74	3.24	8.07	5.69	6.92
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	166,576	1,564	1,485	3,049	465
Same wk yr ago	161,008	1,230	1,550	2,780	420
Avg Wt	5.60	3.31	7.84	5.84	6.83
To-date/2010*	6,294,991	54,919	55,026	109,945	16,351
To-date/2009*	6,153,292	50,374	58,784	109,158	15,991

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 151.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.7 million head, or 8.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 02-Oct-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	38,339	77,093	29,124	23,116	167,672
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.50	6.81	8.27	5.74
% of total /1	23%	46%	17%	14%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,666	84,032	24,548	20,330	166,576
Avg Live Wgt	3.93	5.47	6.81	8.37	5.67
% of total /1	23%	50%	15%	12%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	38,186 3.87	81,539 5.43	20,360 6.75	20,923 8.34	161,008 5.60
% of total /1	24%	50%	13%	13%	100%
To date/2010*	1,545,746	3,073,456	949,339	726,450	6,294,991
To date/2009*	1,563,305	3,110,831	867,420	611,736	6,153,292

/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 02-Oct-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,734	2,740	30	13	4,517
Avg Wt	16.97	36.60	28.66	32.72	29.00
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,739	2,814	27	11	4,991
Same wk yr ago	1,665	2,816	22	21	4,523
Avg Wt	16.85	36.55	25.63	35.52	29.23
To-date/2010*	69,782	99,669	825	283	170,559
To-date/2009*	74,516	101,595	954	264	177,329

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

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