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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	164,318 (2)	168,875
Light hens	1,404	1,695
Heavy hens	1,445	1,302

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

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

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 09-Oct-10 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	448	0	448
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	370	0	370
Same week yr ago	294	8	302
To-date/2010*	13,775	418	14,193
To-date/2009*	12,625	43	12,668

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	2,091	1,392	3,483
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,764	1,434	3,198
Same week yr ago	1,659	1,625	3,284
To-date/2010*	70,337	56,836	127,173
To-date/2009*	64,364	60,444	124,808

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 09-Oct-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	165,979	1,643	1,392	3,035	429
Avg Wt	5.79	3.24	8.19	5.51	6.81
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	167,672	1,394	1,434	2,828	449
Same wk yr ago	161,582	1,365	1,617	2,982	387
Avg Wt	5.72	3.24	7.83	5.73	6.85
To-date/2010*	6,460,970	56,562	56,418	112,980	16,780
To-date/2009*	6,314,874	51,739	60,401	112,140	16,378

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 161.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 168.0 million head, or 7.0 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 09-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	32,547	75,685	35,417	22,330	165,979
Avg Live Wgt	3.90	5.41	6.70	8.35	5.79
% of total /1	20%	46%	21%	13%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/	34,721	79,695	23,799	23,367	161,582
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.42	6.72	8.48	5.72
% of total /1	22%	49%	15%	14%	100%
To date/2010*	1,578,293	3,149,141	984,756	748,780	6,460,970
To date/2009*	1,598,026	3,190,526	891,219	635,103	6,314,874

/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 09-Oct-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,956	2,731	39	8	4,734
Avg Wt	17.33	37.65	25.09	31.95	29.14
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,734	2,740	30	13	4,517
Same wk yr ago	1,642	2,793	21	4	4,460
Avg Wt	17.22	37.31	27.20	33.09	29.86
To-date/2010*	71,738	102,400	864	291	175,293
To-date/2009*	76,158	104,388	975	268	181,789

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

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