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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 23-Oct-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	171,657 (2)	164,318
Light hens	1,328	1,404
Heavy hens	1,343	1,445

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

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

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 16-Oct-10 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	220	0	220
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	448	0	448
Same week yr ago	188	0	188
To-date/2010*	13,995	443	14,438
To-date/2009*	12,813	43	12,856

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 16-Oct-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	166,049	1,274	1,529	2,803	397
Avg Wt	5.85	3.26	8.14	5.92	6.92
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	165,979	1,643	1,392	3,035	429
Same wk yr ago	160,360	1,120	1,564	2,684	407
Avg Wt	5.69	3.24	7.82	5.91	6.84
To-date/2010*	6,627,019	57,836	57,947	115,783	17,177
To-date/2009*	6,475,234	52,859	61,965	114,824	16,785

(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 16-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	35,229	66,531	39,060	25,229	166,049
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.46	6.66	8.40	5.85
% of total /1	21%	40%	24%	15%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	33,107 3.85	85,987 5.40	21,156 6.87	20,110 8.70	160,360 5.69
% of total /1	21%	54%	13%	12%	100%
To date/2010*	1,613,522	3,215,672	1,023,816	774,009	6,627,019
To date/2009*	1,631,133	3,276,513	912,375	655,213	6,475,234

/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 16-Oct-10
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,897	2,980	21	2	4,900
Avg Wt	17.24	36.83	25.40	32.01	29.19
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,956	2,731	39	8	4,734
Same wk yr ago	1,656	2,822	22	10	4,510
Avg Wt	17.20	37.28	26.22	27.83	29.83
To-date/2010*	73,635	105,380	885	293	180,193
To-date/2009*	77,814	107,210	997	278	186,299

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

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