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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**  
**FOR WEEK ENDING 27-Nov-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	133,019 (2)	164,829
Light hens	894	1,301
Heavy hens	846	1,838

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

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

**NOTE:**      **\*\*\*\*\* WEEK ENDING 20-Nov-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)\*\*\*\*\***

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	314	27	341
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	513	25	538
Same week yr ago	462	0	462
To-date/2010*	15,799	507	16,306
To-date/2009*	14,174	43	14,217

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,519	1,863	3,382
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,404	1,581	2,985
Same week yr ago	1,687	1,376	3,063
To-date/2010*	79,132	65,962	145,094
To-date/2009*	72,950	69,685	142,635

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**  
**WEEK ENDING 20-NOV-10 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	163,984	1,205	1,836	3,041	457
Avg Wt	5.71	3.32	8.48	6.44	6.88
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	163,905	891	1,556	2,447	430
Same wk yr ago	157,644	1,225	1,376	2,601	430
Avg Wt	5.50	3.22	7.80	5.64	6.81
To-date/2010*	7,444,641	63,333	65,455	128,788	19,455
To-date/2009*	7,273,101	58,776	69,642	128,418	18,916

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 166.0 million head, or 10.0 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 20-Nov-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	39,591	66,015	35,026	23,352	163,984
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.32	6.72	8.51	5.71
% of total /1	24%	40%	22%	14%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,145	68,910	33,040	24,810	163,905
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.40	6.66	8.35	5.78
% of total /1	23%	42%	20%	15%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	39,651 3.83	77,005 5.35	22,923 6.62	18,085 8.35	157,664 5.50
% of total /1	25%	49%	15%	11%	100%
To date/2010*	1,799,157	3,562,038	1,192,276	891,170	7,444,641
To date/2009*	1,823,652	3,665,833	1,025,072	758,564	7,273,121

/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 20-Nov-10  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	2,577	2,998	16	9	5,600
Avg Wt	17.03	37.28	26.15	30.66	27.92
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,756	3,162	11	19	5,948
Same wk yr ago	1,865	3,111	10	0	4,986
Avg Wt	16.98	34.81	30.43	0.00	28.13
To-date/2010*	86,446	120,889	981	331	208,647
To-date/2009*	89,024	122,348	1,107	297	212,776

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

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