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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 08-Jan-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	160,074 (2)	137,483
Light hens	1,328	1,370
Heavy hens	1,355	1,242

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

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 01-Jan-11 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	262	0	262
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	300	0	300
Same week yr ago	86	0	86
To-date/2010*	17,580	550	18,130
To-date/2009*	16,289	43	16,332

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,488	1,235	2,723
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,597	1,072	2,669
Same week yr ago	1,406	929	2,335
To-date/2010*	88,111	73,910	162,021
To-date/2009*	81,750	76,533	158,283

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 01-Jan-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	131,401	1,226	1,235	2,461	414
Avg Wt	5.74	3.26	7.98	5.63	6.90
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	134,724	1,297	1,072	2,369	388
Same wk yr ago	129,872	1,320	929	2,249	371
Avg Wt	5.62	3.29	7.84	5.17	6.94
To-date/2010*	8,334,894	70,531	73,360	143,891	21,941
To-date/2009*	8,117,448	65,461	76,490	141,951	21,319

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 133.0 million head, or 21.7 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 01-Jan-11

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	28,458	59,134	24,087	19,722	131,401
Avg Live Wgt	3.79	5.42	6.64	8.42	5.74
% of total /1	22%	45%	18%	15%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	36,337	57,315	20,658	20,414	134,724
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.53	6.75	8.43	5.71
% of total /1	27%	43%	15%	15%	100%
Year Ago 2/	26,132	66,879	19,793	17,068	129,872
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.32	6.61	8.38	5.62
% of total /1	20%	52%	15%	13%	100%
To date/2010*	2,005,002	3,936,970	1,367,565	1,025,357	8,334,894
To date/2009*	2,017,356	4,097,296	1,129,529	873,267	8,117,448

/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 01-Jan-11
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,452	1,968	19	13	3,452
Avg Wt	16.60	41.49	25.75	25.60	30.88
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,404	2,050	7	1	3,462
Same wk yr ago	1,205	1,979	8	2	3,194
Avg Wt	16.97	38.92	25.90	25.10	30.60
To-date/2010*	96,119	134,427	1,119	382	232,047
To-date/2009*	98,472	135,688	1,179	329	235,668

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

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