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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 16-Apr-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	162,211 (2)	161,515
Light hens	1,304	1,531
Heavy hens	1,362	1,370

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

NOTE: ******* WEEK ENDING 09-Apr-11 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	316	0	316
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	409	25	434
Same week yr ago	438	0	438
To-date/2011*	5,358	121	5,479
To-date/2010*	4,665	80	4,745

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,809	1,392	3,201
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,469	1,326	2,795
Same week yr ago	1,887	1,135	3,022
To-date/2011*	25,501	20,884	46,385
To-date/2010*	25,090	18,489	43,579

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 09-Apr-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	159,746	1,493	1,392	2,885	475
Avg Wt	5.69	3.16	8.12	5.55	6.85
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	162,524	1,060	1,301	2,361	431
Same wk yr ago	160,053	1,449	1,135	2,584	404
Avg Wt	5.49	3.37	7.84	5.33	6.78
To-date/2011*	2,235,058	20,143	20,763	40,906	6,308
To-date/2010*	2,220,048	20,425	18,409	38,834	5,717

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 158.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.7 million head, or 3.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 09-Apr-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	37,126	72,079	28,740	21,801	159,746
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.37	6.78	8.42	5.69
% of total /1	23%	45%	18%	14%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,057	65,845	29,367	27,255	162,524
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.47	6.75	8.30	5.77
% of total /1	25%	40%	18%	17%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	44,557 3.67	75,121 5.48	19,748 6.68	20,627 8.30	160,053 5.49
% of total /1	28%	47%	12%	13%	100%
To date/2011*	538,775	1,000,488	367,625	328,170	2,235,058
To date/2010*	566,718	1,092,879	283,126	277,325	2,220,048

/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-Apr-11
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,724	2,602	18	2	4,346
Avg Wt	17.02	39.15	26.55	40.69	30.32
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,692	2,558	45	26	4,321
Same wk yr ago	1,885	2,428	18	2	4,333
Avg Wt	17.18	39.01	25.25	60.53	29.53
To-date/2011*	24,355	35,427	311	108	60,201
To-date/2010*	24,994	35,034	319	93	60,440

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

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