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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 30-Apr-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
Broiler/fryer	159,256 (2)	161,780
Light hens	1,648	1,640
Heavy hens	1,474	1,382

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

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

NOTE: *** WEEK ENDING 23-Apr-11 THOUSAND HEAD)*******

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	411	12	423
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	505	0	505
Same week yr ago	286	24	310
To-date/2011*	6,274	133	6,407
To-date/2010*	5,405	115	5,520

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
 Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,930	1,399	3,329
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,826	1,337	3,163
Same week yr ago	1,818	1,482	3,300
To-date/2011*	29,257	23,620	52,877
To-date/2010*	28,960	21,296	50,256

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 23-Apr-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	154,657	1,519	1,387	2,906	431
Avg Wt	5.83	3.26	8.18	5.61	6.75
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	160,335	1,321	1,337	2,658	421
Same wk yr ago	162,987	1,532	1,458	2,990	427
Avg Wt	5.64	3.31	7.82	5.51	6.86
To-date/2011*	2,550,050	22,983	23,487	46,470	7,160
To-date/2010*	2,544,587	23,555	21,181	44,736	6,540

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.5 million head, or 2.5 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 23-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	36,818	63,792	30,153	23,894	154,657
Avg Live Wgt	3.92	5.45	6.79	8.60	5.83
% of total /1	24%	41%	20%	15%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	29,615	77,918	29,150	23,652	160,335
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.38	6.76	8.29	5.77
% of total /1	18%	49%	18%	15%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	38,353 3.71	80,343 5.48	22,143 6.65	22,148 8.54	162,987 5.64
% of total /1	23%	49%	14%	14%	100%
To date/2011*	605,208	1,142,198	426,928	375,716	2,550,050
To date/2010*	642,540	1,249,876	329,440	322,731	2,544,587

/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 23-Apr-11
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,592	2,475	13	4	4,084
Avg Wt	17.16	38.71	22.50	42.24	30.26
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,928	2,500	19	3	4,450
Same wk yr ago	1,601	2,639	30	2	4,272
Avg Wt	16.98	37.97	25.16	33.41	28.58
To-date/2011*	27,875	40,402	343	115	68,735
To-date/2010*	28,529	40,171	373	105	69,178

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

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