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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION` `
FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Oct-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	160,799 (2)	164,434
Light hens	1,418	1,234
Heavy hens	1,635	1,784

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 24-Sep-11 THOUSAND HEAD

Head	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
	290	24	314
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	388	0	388
Same week yr ago	351	27	378
To-date/2011*	14,115	408	14,523
To-date/2010*	12,967	373	13,340

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

Head	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
	1,477	1,709	3,186
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,973	1,602	3,575
Same week yr ago	1,915	1,512	3,427
To-date/2011*	65,985	59,131	125,116
To-date/2010*	66,492	53,965	120,457

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 24-Sep-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Head	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
	160,196	1,187	1,685	2,872	414
Avg Wt	5.80	3.14	8.04	6.01	6.87
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	159,518	1,585	1,602	3,187	443
Same wk yr ago	166,576	1,564	1,485	3,049	465
Avg Wt	5.67	3.16	8.05	5.54	6.90
To-date/2011*	6,040,726	51,870	58,723	110,593	16,423
To-date/2010*	6,127,319	53,525	53,592	107,117	15,902

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the

2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.1 million head, or 8.0 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 24-Sep-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	33,735	61,135	40,271	25,055	160,196
Avg Live Wgt	3.58	5.30	6.73	8.51	5.80
% of total /1	21%	38%	25%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,295	59,179	35,251	25,793	159,518
Avg Live Wgt	3.97	5.53	6.71	8.39	5.87
% of total /1	25%	37%	22%	16%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,666	84,032	24,548	20,330	166,576
Avg Live Wgt	3.93	5.47	6.81	8.37	5.67
% of total /1	23%	50%	15%	12%	100%
To date/2011*	1,389,962	2,620,833	1,139,108	890,823	6,040,726
To date/2010*	1,507,407	2,996,363	920,215	703,334	6,127,319

/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				24-Sep-2011
	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,775	2,565	30	2	4,372
Avg Wt	17.79	38.08	25.01	32.91	29.75
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,050	2,645	14	2	4,711
Same wk yr ago	1,739	2,814	27	11	4,591
Avg Wt	16.46	36.58	27.49	34.20	29.22
To-date/2011*	68,653	97,571	801	259	167,284
To-date/2010*	68,048	96,929	795	270	166,042

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

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