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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION`**  
**FOR WEEK ENDING 15-Oct-11(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	153,435 (2)	157,376
Light hens	1,322	1,419
Heavy hens	1,693	1,770

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**  
**WEEK ENDING 08-Oct-11 THOUSAND HEAD**

Head	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
	183	0	183
<b>Head sltr Comparisons</b>			
Last Week	100	0	100
Same week yr ago	448	0	448
To-date/2011*	14,398	408	14,806
To-date/2010*	13,785	373	14,158

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

Head	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
	1,635	1,789	3,424
<b>Head sltr Comparisons</b>			
Last Week	1,477	1,557	3,034
Same week yr ago	2,091	1,392	3,483
To-date/2011*	69,097	62,477	131,574
To-date/2010*	70,347	56,791	127,138

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**  
**WEEK ENDING 08-Oct-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

Head	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
	153,823	1,452	1,789	3,241	444
Avg Wt	5.80	3.21	7.75	5.72	6.71
<b>Head sltr comparisons</b>					
Last week	156,437	1,377	1,557	2,934	422
Same wk yr ago	165,979	1,643	1,392	3,035	429
Avg Wt	5.79	3.24	8.19	5.51	6.81
To-date/2011*	6,350,986	54,699	62,069	116,768	17,289
To-date/2010*	6,460,970	56,562	56,418	112,980	16,780

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 153.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 155.7 million head, or 2.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 08-Oct-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	34,939	58,199	34,513	26,172	153,823
Avg Live Wgt	3.61	5.36	6.76	8.46	5.80
% of total /1	23%	38%	22%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	32,499	56,771	39,233	27,934	156,437
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.34	6.63	8.34	5.87
% of total /1	21%	36%	25%	18%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	32,547 3.90	75,685 5.41	35,417 6.70	22,330 8.35	165,979 5.79
% of total /1	20%	46%	21%	13%	100%
To date/2011*	1,457,400	2,735,803	1,212,854	944,929	6,350,986
To date/2010*	1,578,293	3,149,141	984,756	748,780	6,460,970

/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				08-Oct-2011
	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,974	2,626	32	9	4,641
Avg Wt	17.21	38.56	26.51	29.63	29.38
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,969	2,678	11	9	4,667
Same wk yr ago	1,956	2,731	39	8	4,734
Avg Wt	17.33	37.65	25.09	31.95	29.86
To-date/2011*	72,596	102,875	844	277	176,592
To-date/2010*	71,738	102,400	864	291	175,293

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

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