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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION` `**  
**FOR WEEK ENDING 19-Nov-11(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	149,255 (2)	155,379
Light hens	1,245	1,247
Heavy hens	1,542	1,444

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**  
**WEEK ENDING 12-Nov-11 THOUSAND HEAD**

LIGHT HENS                      HEAVY HENS                      TOTAL  
 SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Head	140	13	153
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	464	0	464
Same week yr ago	513	25	538
To-date/2011*	15,461	462	15,923
To-date/2010*	15,485	480	15,965

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

Head	1,295	1,477	2,772
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,768	1,120	2,888
Same week yr ago	1,404	1,581	2,985
To-date/2011*	76,340	70,159	146,499
To-date/2010*	77,613	64,099	141,712

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**  
**WEEK ENDING 12-Nov-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
-----Thousands-----					
Head	151,253	1,155	1,464	2,619	447
Avg Wt	5.75	3.17	7.68	5.69	6.35
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	153,815	1,304	1,120	2,424	416
Same wk yr ago	163,905	891	1,556	2,447	430
Avg Wt	5.78	3.28	8.15	6.38	6.94
To-date/2011*	7,113,987	60,879	69,697	130,576	19,423
To-date/2010*	7,280,657	62,128	63,619	125,747	18,998

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 147.3 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 153.1 million head, or 5.8 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 12-NOV-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	34,819	67,773	22,616	26,045	151,253
Avg Live Wgt	3.71	5.45	6.76	8.40	5.75
% of total /1	23%	45%	15%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	35,281	61,599	27,822	29,113	153,815
Avg Live Wgt	3.65	5.28	6.61	8.22	5.68
% of total /1	21%	44%	21%	14%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	37,145 3.86	68,910 5.40	33,040 6.66	24,810 8.52	163,905 5.78
% of total /1	23%	42%	20%	15%	100%
To date/2011*	1,624,040	3,050,429	1,373,968	1,065,550	7,113,987
To date/2010*	1,759,566	3,496,023	1,157,250	867,818	7,280,657

/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			12-Nov-2011	
	Young	Young	Young	Old	Total
Head	2,792	2,880	6	23	5,701
Avg Wt	17.50	37.73	26.37	27.96	27.77
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,581	2,978	102	5	5,666
Same wk yr ago	2,756	3,162	11	19	5,948
Avg Wt	17.26	36.30	31.62	25.69	27.87
To-date/2011*	84,785	117,015	1,023	344	203,167
To-date/2010*	83,869	117,891	965	322	203,047

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

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