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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION`
FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Nov-11(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	116,294 (2)	149,255
Light hens	682	1,245
Heavy hens	819	1,542

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 19-Nov-11 THOUSAND HEAD

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

Head	489	0	489
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	140	13	153
Same week yr ago	314	27	341
To-date/2011*	15,950	462	16,412
To-date/2010*	15,799	507	16,306

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

Head	1,828	1,507	3,335
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,295	1,477	2,772
Same week yr ago	1,519	1,863	3,382
To-date/2011*	78,168	71,666	149,834
To-date/2010*	79,132	65,962	145,094

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 19-Nov-11 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	147,263	1,339	1,507	2,846	442
Avg Wt	5.67	3.26	7.69	5.61	6.46
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	151,253	1,155	1,464	2,619	447
Same wk yr ago	163,984	1,205	1,836	3,041	457
Avg Wt	5.71	3.32	8.48	6.44	6.39
To-date/2011*	7,261,250	62,218	71,204	133,422	19,865
To-date/2010*	7,444,641	63,333	65,455	128,788	19,455

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 143.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 149.1 million

head, or 5.7 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 19-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	37,012	61,512	25,731	23,008	147,263
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.38	6.76	8.35	5.67
% of total /1	25%	42%	17%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	39,591 3.83	66,015 5.32	35,026 6.72	23,352 8.51	163,984 5.71
% of total /1	24%	40%	22%	14%	100%
To date/2011*	1,661,052	3,111,941	1,399,699	1,088,558	7,261,250
To date/2010*	1,799,157	3,562,038	1,192,276	891,170	7,444,641

/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				19-Nov-2011
	Young	Young	Young	Old	Total
Head	2,210	2,761	12	14	4,997
Avg Wt	16.66	38.66	29.41	32.46	28.89
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,792	2,880	6	23	5,701
Same wk yr ago	2,577	2,998	16	9	5,600
Avg Wt	17.03	37.28	26.15	30.66	28.13
To-date/2011*	86,995	119,776	1,035	358	208,164
To-date/2010*	86,446	120,889	981	331	208,647

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

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