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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION`
FOR WEEK ENDING 14-Jan-12(THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	154,989 (2)	134,036
Light hens	1,742	1,457
Heavy hens	1,492	1,355

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 07-JAN-12 THOUSAND HEAD

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION			
	Light	Heavy	Total
	Hens	Hens	Hens
Head	251	0	251
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	275	11	286
Same week yr ago	292	12	304
To-date/2012*	251	0	251
To-date/2011*	292	12	304

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

	Light	Heavy	Total
	Hens	Hens	Hens
Head	1,626	1,365	2,991
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,653	1,382	3,035
Same week yr ago	1,678	1,350	3,028
To-date/2012*	1,626	1,365	2,991
To-date/2011*	1,678	1,350	3,028

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 07-JAN-12 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	135,215	1,375	1,365	2,740	404
Avg Wt	5.71	3.15	7.75	5.44	6.47
Head sltr comparison					
Last week	126,173	1,378	1,371	2,749	402
Same wk yr ago	167,779	1,386	1,338	2,724	439
Avg Wt	5.77	3.10	7.94	5.48	6.90
To-date/2012*	135,215	1,375	1,365	2,740	404
To-date/2011*	167,779	1,386	1,338	2,724	439

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 146.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 136.9 million head, or 9.7 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 07-JAN-12

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	30,582	59,971	25,112	19,550	135,215
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.26	6.78	8.65	5.71
% of total /1	23%	44%	19%	14%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	33,800	48,741	25,500	18,132	126,173
Avg Live Wgt	3.72	5.35	6.82	8.93	5.72
% of total /1	27%	39%	20%	14%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	31,231 3.74	77,740 5.37	34,584 6.65	24,224 8.44	167,779 5.77
% of total /1	19%	46%	21%	14%	100%
To date/2012*	30,582	59,971	25,112	19,550	135,215
To date/2011*	31,231	77,740	34,584	24,224	167,779

/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 07-JAN-2012

	Young	Young	Young	Old	Total
Head	1,544	2,121	11	7	3,683
Avg Wt	17.07	42.34	26.36	26.73	31.67
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,287	1,992	6	8	3,293
Same wk yr ago	1,723	2,460	8	7	4,198
Avg Wt	16.49	40.73	27.94	28.33	30.74
To-date/2012*	1,544	2,121	11	7	3,683
To-date/2011*	1,723	2,460	8	7	4,198

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