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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

FOR WEEK ENDING 03-AUG-12 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	159,099 (2)	159,514
Light hens	1,121	783
Heavy hens	1,802	1,721

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 28-Jul-12
(THOUSAND HEAD)

Head	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	345	0	345
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	119	0	119
Same week yr ago	437	0	437
To-date/2012*	8,631	36	8,667
To-date/2011*	11,419	285	11,704

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. and CANADA

Head	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	1,048	1,721	2,769
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,414	1,756	3,170
Same week yr ago	1,493	1,781	3,274
To-date/2012*	55,759	46,858	102,617
To-date/2011*	52,834	46,306	99,140

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

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 28-Jul-12 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Head	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
	157,180	703	1,721	2,424	405
Avg Wt	5.60	2.99	7.86	6.45	6.51
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	158,653	1,295	1,756	3,051	401
Same wk yr ago	159,047	1,056	1,781	2,837	431
Avg Wt	5.72	3.34	7.99	6.26	6.62
To-date/2012*	4,561,007	47,128	46,822	93,950	12,488
To-date/2011*	4,787,421	41,415	46,021	87,436	13,036

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.1 million head, or 1.6 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 28-July-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	39,809	66,084	30,947	20,340	157,180
Avg Live Wgt	3.83	5.34	6.68	8.29	5.60
% of total /1	25%	42%	20%	13%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	38,856	65,866	30,507	23,424	158,653
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.30	6.75	8.42	5.67
% of total /1	24%	42%	19%	15%	100%
Year Ago 2/	33,921	73,846	30,153	21,127	159,047
Avg Live Wgt	3.92	5.42	6.78	8.16	5.72
% of total /1	21%	47%	19%	13%	100%
To date/2012*	1,116,796	1,927,451	828,918	687,842	4,561,007
To date/2011*	1,093,419	2,093,255	876,393	724,354	4,787,421

/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 28-Jul-2012

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,752	2,629	26	11	4,418
Avg Wt	16.56	38.48	28.11	30.55	29.71
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,792	2,908	27	8	4,735
Same wk yr ago	1,800	2,513	25	7	4,345
Avg Wt	16.30	39.07	25.14	27.03	29.54
To-date/2012*	54,014	76,192	657	209	131,072
To-date/2011*	53,752	76,995	629	211	131,587

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

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