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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Nov-12 (THOUSAND HEAD)

Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	155,331 (2)	150,676
Light hens	1,220	919
Heavy hens	1,608	1,658

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 03-Nov-2012
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	312	0	312
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	140	0	140
Same week yr ago	464	0	464
To-date/2012*	11,698	36	11,734
To-date/2011*	15,024	426	15,450

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. and CANADA

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,204	1,368	2,572
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,059	1,367	2,426
Same week yr ago	1,768	1,120	2,888
To-date/2012*	77,140	70,862	148,002
To-date/2011*	74,748	68,659	143,407

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

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 03-Nov-12 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	148,347	892	1,368	2,260	379
Avg Wt	5.87	3.55	7.64	6.03	6.50
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	153,401	919	1,367	2,286	370
Same wk yr ago	153,815	1,304	1,120	2,424	416
Avg Wt	5.68	3.54	7.65	5.44	7.05
To-date/2012*	6,714,994	62,525	70,826	136,268	18,154
To-date/2011*	6,962,734	55,948	68,233	127,957	18,976

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 150.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 150.1 million head, or 0.0 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 03-Nov-2012

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	34,990	55,876	30,775	26,706	148,347
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.41	6.84	8.41	5.87
% of total /1	24%	38%	21%	18%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,305	60,711	31,652	23,733	153,401
Avg Live Wgt	3.87	5.34	6.89	8.28	5.76
% of total /1	24%	21%	21%	15%	100%
Year Ago 2/	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	23%	40%	18%	19%	100%
To date/2012*	1,637,096	2,770,173	1,276,344	1,031,381	6,714,994
To date/2011*	1,589,221	2,982,656	1,351,352	1,039,505	6,962,734

/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 03-Nov-2012

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	2,677	2,985	36	0	5,698
Avg Wt	17.34	38.73	26.91	0.00	28.60
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,446	3,061	41	5	5,553
Same wk yr ago	2,581	2,978	102	5	5,666
Avg Wt	17.43	37.90	25.48	35.81	28.35
To-date/2012*	80,684	114,566	1,192	338	196,780
To-date/2011*	81,993	114,135	1,017	321	197,328

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

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