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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Apr-13(THOUSAND HEAD)

	04/13/13	04/06/13
Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	153,578 (2)	155,999
Light hens	1,993	2,081
Heavy hens	1,550	1,515

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 13-Apr-2013
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	401	0	401
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	489	0	489
Same week yr ago	309	0	309
To-date/2013*	5,191	0	5,191
To-date/2012*	4,466	36	4,502

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	2,368	1,431	3,799
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	2,301	1,440	3,741
Same week yr ago	2,137	1,402	3,539
To-date/2013*	29,378	21,094	50,472
To-date/2012*	28,478	22,013	50,491

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

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 13-Apr-13 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
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	-----Thousands-----				
Head	154,212	1,967	1,431	3,398	390
Avg Wt	5.81	3.01	8.08	5.15	6.52
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	153,236	1,812	1,440	3,252	441
Same wk yr ago	153,060	1,828	1,402	3,230	404
Avg Wt	5.79	3.19	7.91	5.24	6.93
To-date/2013*	2,274,583	23,825	20,629	44,454	5,937
To-date/2012*	2,246,421	24,012	21,977	45,989	6,349

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the

2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 153.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.1 million head, or 2.4 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 13-Apr-2013

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	39,167	56,759	32,169	26,117	154,212
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.45	6.71	8.57	5.81
% of total /1	25%	37%	21%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,262	58,077	28,001	27,896	153,236
Avg Live Wgt	3.76	5.41	6.83	8.61	5.83
% of total /1	26%	38%	18%	18%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	35,181 3.85	65,332 5.47	32,611 6.85	19,936 8.55	153,060 5.79
% of total /1	23%	43%	21%	13%	100%
To date/2013*	582,412	829,740	457,602	404,830	2,274,584
To date/2012*	536,867	967,573	405,547	336,434	2,246,421
% Change YTD	8%	-14%	13%	20%	1%1

/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 13-Apr-2013

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeder	Old Breeder	Total Turkeys
Head	1,761	2,534	36	4	4,335
Avg Wt	16.96	41.31	25.75	30.57	31.28
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,659	2,520	41	0	4,220
Same wk yr ago	1,926	2,516	20	6	4,468
Avg Wt	15.67	40.18	25.34	30.35	29.53
To-date/2013*	25,149	37,389	396	214	63,148
To-date/2012*	26,401	37,091	309	109	63,910

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

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