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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 25-May-13(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	05/25/13	05/18/13
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	158,593 (2)	156,964
Light hens	1,743	1,934
Heavy hens	1,655	1,625

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 18-May-2013
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	562	0	562
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	428	0	428
Same week yr ago	418	0	418
To-date/2013*	7,743	0	7,743
To-date/2012*	6,332	36	6,368

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	2,297	1,473	3,770
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	2,266	1,594	3,860
Same week yr ago	2,123	1,674	3,797
To-date/2013*	40,998	28,471	69,469
To-date/2012*	39,911	29,708	69,619

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 18-May-13 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	156,952	1,735	1,473	3,208	430
Avg Wt	5.85	3.23	7.74	5.30	6.88
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	156,778	1,838	1,594	3,432	460
Same wk yr ago	157,987	1,705	1,674	3,379	421
Avg Wt	5.69	3.17	7.61	5.37	6.68
To-date/2013*	3,053,597	32,893	28,006	60,899	8,074
To-date/2012*	3,019,576	33,579	29,672	63,251	8,421

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 158.9 million head, or 4.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 18-May-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	40,896	54,469	28,979	32,608	156,952
Avg Live Wgt	3.75	5.42	6.58	8.57	5.85
% of total /1	26%	35%	18%	21%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,746	58,711	27,255	31,066	156,778
Avg Live Wgt	3.82	5.43	6.73	8.58	5.87
% of total /1	25%	37%	17%	20%	100%
Year Ago 2/	35,986	68,501	28,243	25,257	157,987
Avg Live Wgt	3.54	5.32	6.84	8.49	5.69
% of total /1	23%	43%	18%	16%	100%
To date/2013*	793,998	1,101,643	607,930	550,027	3,053,598
To date/2012*	721,758	1,295,205	541,419	461,194	3,019,576
/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 18-May-2013

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,792	2,443	13	3	4,251
Avg Wt	17.25	40.66	31.66	26.25	30.75
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,930	2,572	9	0	4,511
Same wk yr ago	1,962	2,477	29	16	4,484
Avg Wt	16.99	40.44	26.42	26.42	30.04
To-date/2013*	34,165	50,280	463	231	85,139
To-date/2012*	35,844	50,432	440	150	86,866

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

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