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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 21-Sep-13(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	09/21/13 (1)	09/14/13
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	158,190 (2)	157,676
Light hens	1,602	1,510
Heavy hens	1,726	1,912
Total	161,518	161,098

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA  
WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-2013  
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	492	0	492
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	332	0	332
Same week yr ago	394	0	394
To-date/2013*	12,983	0	12,983
To-date/2012*	9,919	36	9,955

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,862	1,838	3,700
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,663	1,472	3,135
Same week yr ago	1,890	1,754	3,644
To-date/2013*	69,943	55,188	125,131
To-date/2012*	66,966	59,803	126,769

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-13 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	157,842	1,370	1,838	3,208	454
Avg Wt	5.75	3.56	8.26	6.25	6.47
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	140,890	1,331	1,472	2,803	461
Same wk yr ago	154,885	1,227	1,758	2,985	395
Avg Wt	5.79	3.04	8.02	5.97	6.84
To-date/2013*	5,689,083	56,598	54,723	111,321	15,793
To-date/2012*	5,638,527	56,778	59,771	116,549	15,329

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 159.8 million head, or 3.9 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 14-Sep-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	47,352	50,466	32,083	27,941	157,842
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.49	6.67	8.55	5.75
% of total /1	30%	32%	20%	18%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	40,870	50,102	26,263	23,655	140,890
Avg Live Wgt	3.53	5.43	6.75	8.54	5.64
% of total /1	29%	36%	19%	17%	100%
Year Ago 2/	37,174	61,852	35,886	19,973	154,885
Avg Live Wgt	3.86	5.56	6.74	8.42	5.79
% of total /1	24%	40%	23%	13%	100%
To date/2013*	1,520,887	2,061,792	1,075,010	1,031,391	5,689,080
To date/2012*	1,379,345	2,379,427	1,034,888	844,867	5,638,527
% Change YTD	10%	-13%	4%	22%	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 14-Sep-2013

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,778	2,539	25	0	4,342
Avg Wt	16.41	38.82	26.07	0.00	29.57
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,401	2,187	10	0	3,598
Same wk yr ago	1,806	2,583	65	27	4,481
Avg Wt	17.04	38.25	26.56	29.18	29.48
To-date/2013*	65,944	92,179	787	284	159,194
To-date/2012*	66,481	94,573	919	300	162,273

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