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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 28-Sep-13 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	09/28/13 (1)	09/21/13
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	156,349 (2)	158,190
Light hens	1,456	1,602
Heavy hens	1,719	1,726
Total	159,524	161,518

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 21-Sep-2013
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	179	0	179
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	492	0	492
Same week yr ago	413	0	413
To-date/2013*	13,162	0	13,162
To-date/2012*	10,332	36	10,368

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,659	1,554	3,213
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,862	1,838	3,700
Same week yr ago	1,920	2,046	3,966
To-date/2013*	71,602	56,742	128,344
To-date/2012*	68,886	61,849	130,735

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 21-Sep-13 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
	-----Thousands-----				
Head	160,721	1,480	1,554	3,034	445
Avg Wt	5.81	3.27	8.19	5.79	6.81
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	157,842	1,370	1,838	3,208	454
Same wk yr ago	154,230	1,507	2,046	3,553	401
Avg Wt	5.76	2.95	7.95	5.83	3.31
To-date/2013*	5,849,804	58,078	56,277	114,355	16,238
To-date/2012*	5,792,757	58,285	61,817	120,102	15,730

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.7 million head, or 5.3 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 21-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	48,147	53,611	28,816	30,149	160,723
Avg Live Wgt	3.70	5.59	6.79	8.65	5.81
% of total /1	30%	33%	18%	19%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	41,481 3.69	55,097 5.47	29,145 6.72	28,507 8.35	154,230 5.76
% of total /1	27%	36%	19%	18%	100%
To date/2013*	1,569,034	2,115,403	1,103,826	1,061,540	5,849,803
To date/2012*	1,420,826	2,434,524	1,064,033	873,374	5,792,757
% 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 21-Sep-2013

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,631	2,523	19	5	4,178
Avg Wt	15.75	38.84	25.95	27.02	29.76
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,778	2,539	25	0	4,342
Same wk yr ago	1,805	2,815	31	6	4,657
Avg Wt	17.09	38.11	27.05	41.81	26.89
To-date/2013*	67,575	94,702	806	289	163,372
To-date/2012*	68,286	97,388	950	306	166,930

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

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