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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 29-Dec-13(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	12/29/13 (1)	12/22/13
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	117,914 (2)	162,800
Light hens	1,024	1,843
Heavy hens	945	1,636
Total	119,883	166,279

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	229	0	229
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	103	0	103
Same week yr ago	445	0	445
To-date/2013*	16,383	0	16,383
To-date/2012*	13,584	36	13,620

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	1,878	1,568	3,446
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,849	1,501	3,350
Same week yr ago	2,215	1,644	3,859
To-date/2013*	89,394	74,274	163,668
To-date/2012*	87,195	78,910	166,105

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 21-Dec-2013 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	156,151	1,728	1,360	3,088	465
Avg Wt	5.84	3.22	6.95	4.86	6.95
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	158,690	1,649	1,568	3,217	470
Same wk yr ago	155,551	1,910	1,272	3,182	399
Avg Wt	5.64	3.11	7.86	5.01	5.65
To-date/2013*	7,848,337	74,377	75,169	149,546	22,473
To-date/2012*	7,759,122	75,252	80,150	155,402	21,173

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 143.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 158.0 million head, or 14.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 21-Dec-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	41,414	60,716	24,765	29,256	156,151
Avg Live Wgt	3.81	5.43	6.90	8.69	5.84
% of total /1	27%	39%	16%	19%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	45,275	56,907	26,686	29,821	158,689
Avg Live Wgt	3.70	5.44	6.83	8.70	5.79
% of total /1	29%	36%	17%	19%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	38,970 3.67	67,658 5.27	27,601 6.91	21,322 8.79	155,551 5.64
% of total /1	25%	43%	18%	14%	100%
To date/2013*	2,111,109	2,781,782	1,522,806	1,432,638	7,848,335
To date/2012*	1,887,879	3,165,253	1,496,651	1,209,337	7,759,121

/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 21-Dec-2013

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,544	2,491	39	38	4,112
Avg Wt	16.16	38.97	26.66	29.71	30.20
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,784	2,602	25	0	4,411
Same wk yr ago	1,386	2,405	13	27	3,831
Avg Wt	15.67	40.97	25.69	25.52	31.65
To-date/2013*	92,511	127,666	1,132	338	221,647
To-date/2012*	93,768	132,446	1,422	408	228,044

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