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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 15-Mar-14(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	03/15/14 (1)	03/08/14
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	159,210 (2)	156,199
Light hens	1,821	1,547
Heavy hens	1,620	1,507
Total	162,651	159,253

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEK ENDING 08-Mar-2014
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	280	0	280
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	95	0	95
Same week yr ago	418	0	418
To-date/2014*	3,214	0	3,214
To-date/2013*	3,053	0	3,053

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

Head	1,548	1,344	2,892
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,606	1,494	3,100
Same week yr ago	1,852	1,309	3,161
To-date/2014*	18,233	14,348	32,581
To-date/2013*	18,512	14,093	32,605

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 08-Mar-2014 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	149,809	1,268	1,344	2,612	377
Avg Wt	5.65	3.31	8.01	5.73	6.96
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	153,521	1,511	1,494	3,005	460
Same wk yr ago	153,392	1,434	1,309	2,743	361
Avg Wt	5.83	3.28	8.01	5.54	6.93
To-date/2014*	1,496,790	15,019	14,348	29,367	4,442
To-date/2013*	1,512,027	15,097	13,628	28,725	3,851

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 151.6 million head, or 2.9 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 08-Mar-2014

	A 4.25 lbs & down	B 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	C 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	D 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	42,683	53,773	28,289	25,064	149,809
Avg Live Wgt	3.55	5.25	6.84	8.73	5.65
% of total /1	28%	36%	19%	17%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	34,597	57,407	33,217	28,300	153,521
Avg Live Wgt	3.78	5.32	6.82	8.78	5.94
% of total /1	23%	37%	22%	18%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	36,987 3.85	59,660 5.37	30,932 6.80	25,813 8.59	153,392 5.83
% of total /1	24%	39%	20%	17%	100%
To date/2014*	396,219	521,645	282,250	296,677	1,496,791
To date/2013*	376,150	561,730	304,476	269,671	1,512,027
% Change YTD	5%	-7%	-7%	10%	-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 08-Mar-2014

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,544	2,329	36	0	3,909
Avg Wt	16.88	42.32	29.60	0.00	32.15
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,811	2,349	18	5	4,183
Same wk yr ago	1,740	2,546	25	2	4,313
Avg Wt	17.42	40.93	25.05	61.06	31.36
To-date/2014*	15,799	22,343	229	36	38,407
To-date/2013*	16,832	24,966	242	170	42,210

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

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