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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 22-Mar-14(THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	03/22/14 (1)	03/15/14
	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	157,391 (2)	159,210
Light hens	1,533	1,821
Heavy hens	1,557	1,620
Total	160,481	162,651

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA  
WEEK ENDING 15-Mar-2014  
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	326	0	326
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	280	0	280
Same week yr ago	373	0	373
To-date/2014*	3,540	0	3,540
To-date/2013*	3,426	0	3,426

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

Head	1,995	1,579	3,574
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,548	1,344	2,892
Same week yr ago	1,811	1,333	3,144
To-date/2014*	20,228	15,927	36,155
To-date/2013*	20,323	15,426	35,749

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

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 15-Mar-2014 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Ducks
Head	154,472	1,669	1,579	3,248	498
Avg Wt	5.71	3.19	8.12	5.59	6.23
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	149,809	1,268	1,344	2,612	377
Same wk yr ago	151,262	1,438	1,333	2,771	414
Avg Wt	5.86	3.25	7.80	5.44	6.46
To-date/2014*	1,651,262	16,688	15,927	32,615	4,940
To-date/2013*	1,663,289	16,535	14,961	31,496	4,265

(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 156.3 million head, or 1.5 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 15-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	42,000	60,615	26,690	25,168	154,473
Avg Live Wgt	3.67	5.37	6.83	8.73	5.71
% of total /1	27%	39%	17%	16%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	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%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	40,492 3.80	52,157 5.48	31,657 6.83	26,956 8.53	151,262 5.86
% of total /1	27%	34%	21%	18%	100%
To date/2014*	438,219	582,260	308,940	321,845	1,651,264
To date/2013*	416,642	613,887	336,133	296,627	1,663,289
% Change YTD	5%	-5%	-8%	9%	-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 15-Mar-2014

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
Head	1,872	2,325	15	32	4,244
Avg Wt	17.29	42.34	28.23	26.83	31.13
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,544	2,329	36	0	3,909
Same wk yr ago	1,614	2,517	5	14	4,150
Avg Wt	17.31	40.72	28.05	27.72	31.56
To-date/2014*	17,671	24,668	244	68	42,651
To-date/2013*	18,446	27,483	247	184	46,360

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

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