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Beginning on January 2, 2015 Livestock, Poultry and Grain Market News (LPGMN) will be ending the release of this report and moving the information it contains to one of three newly revised summary reports. The information from this report will be available on the new broiler/fryer summary that will be released once per week on Friday, the new turkey summary that will be released once per week on Friday or the new egg summary that will be released once per week on Monday. All of the information currently available on this report will be available after the changes are made. LPGMN is making these changes to ensure that the data we provide is easier for users to access, to ensure that we have more timely releases of the information that we provide, and also to reduce the duplicate release of information. If you currently receive this report through email you will still be receiving it after the changes are put into place, we do not anticipate any gaps in service because of these changes.

If you have any questions or comments on these proposed changes, please contact Jason Karwal at 515-284-4471 - Jason.Karwal@ams.usda.gov or Annie Terry 404-562-5850 -Annie.Terry@ams.usda.gov.

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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Dec-14 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	12/20/14 (1)	12/13/14
	----- Thousand head -----	-----
Broiler/fryer	164,444 (2)	161,273
Light hens	1,862	1,643
Heavy hens	1,798	1,639
Total	168,104	164,555

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA  
WEEK ENDING 13-Dec-2014  
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	551	0	551
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	449	0	449
Same week yr ago	229	0	229
To-date/2014*	18,210	0	18,210
To-date/2013*	16,382	0	16,382

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

Head	2,149	1,524	3,673
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,878	1,758	3,636
Same week yr ago	1,878	1,568	3,446
To-date/2014*	88,770	77,769	166,539
To-date/2013*	89,393	74,275	163,668

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 13-Dec-2014 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	Young	Light	Heavy	Total	Ducks
	Chickens	Hens	Hens	Hens	
Head	156,650	1,598	1,524	3,122	433
Avg Wt	6.13	3.15	7.87	5.45	7.16
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	161,664	1,429	1,758	3,187	646
Same wk yr ago	158,690	1,649	1,568	3,217	470
Avg Wt	5.79	3.10	8.01	5.49	6.96
To-date/2014*	7,686,183	70,560	77,769	148,329	21,395
To-date/2013*	7,692,185	72,649	73,809	146,458	22,008

(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 158.6 million head, or 2.7 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 13-Dec-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	41,779	48,756	33,211	32,903	156,649
Avg Live Wgt	3.89	5.45	6.99	9.11	6.13
% of total /1	27%	31%	21%	21%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	39,489	48,805	40,546	32,824	161,664
Avg Live Wgt	3.64	5.29	6.93	9.25	6.10
% of total /1	24%	30%	25%	20%	100%
Year Ago 2/ Avg Live Wgt	45,275 3.70	56,907 5.44	26,686 6.83	29,821 8.70	158,689 5.79
% of total /1	29%	36%	17%	19%	100%
To date/2014*	2,002,313	2,702,154	1,475,131	1,506,583	7,686,181
To date/2013*	2,069,695	2,721,066	1,498,041	1,403,382	7,692,184
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	-2%	7%	0%

/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 13-Dec-2014

	Young Hens Hens	Young Toms Toms	Young Breeders Breeders	Old Breeders Breeders	Total Turkeys Turkeys
Head	1,986	2,557	45	1	4,589
Avg Wt	16.77	41.01	28.15	60.53	30.40
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,690	2,687	35	27	4,439
Same wk yr ago	1,784	2,602	25	0	4,411
Avg Wt	16.13	39.69	26.58	0.00	30.09
To-date/2014*	91,283	121,509	1,100	441	214,333
To-date/2013*	90,967	125,175	1,093	300	217,535

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

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