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**Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter Under Federal Inspection
For Week Ending 12-FEB-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Current Week	Previous Week
	02/12/00	02/05/00
Bro-Fry	160,241	143,667
Lt Hens	1,950	1,912
Hvy Hens	1,412	1,279

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In Canada
Weeks Ending 05, 2000 (Thousand Head)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	639	5	644
Last Week	643	0	643
Same Wk Yr Ago	567	0	567
To Date 2000	2,806	5	2,811
To Date 1999	2,545	34	2,579

(R) Revised

Source: Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In The U.S. And Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total
Head	2,637	1,249	3,886
Last Week	2,726	1,222	3,948
Same Wk Yr Ago	2,726	1,245	3,971
To Date 2000	13,073	6,609	19,682
To Date 1999	13,787	6,728	20,515

**Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
Week Ending 05-Feb-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	160,713 (A)	1,998	1,244	3,242
Avg Wt	5.16	3.62	7.63	5.16
Last Week	144,385	2,083	1,222	3,305
Same Week Yr Ago	151,623	2,159	1,245	3,404
Avg Wt	5.07	3.23	8.28	5.08
To-Date/2000	765,044	10,267	6,604	16,871
To-Date/1999	756,520	11,242	6,694	17,936

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier were 152.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 162.7 million head or 10.3 million head less than or 107 percent of estimated fryers available.

(R) Revised

**Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection,
Classified By Live Weight, Week Ending January 29, 2000**

	(A) Fast Food/Food Service 4.20 Lbs & Down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up
Head	27,727	28,988	41,676
Avg Weight	3.72	4.76	6.06
% Of Total /1	28%	29%	42%
Comparisons			
Last Week	36,528	27,225	31,625
Avg Weight	3.81	4.81	6.23
% Of Total /1	38%	29%	33%
Same Week, Yr Ago /2	32,801	32,684	40,575
Avg Weight	3.79	4.82	6.18
% Of Total /1	31%	31%	38%
To Date/2000	120,845	121,261	163,378
To Date/1999	132,595	129,363	175,312
/1 May Not Total To 100% Due To Rounding			
/2 Comparable Week			

(A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.

(B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.

(C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**Live Turkeys Slaughtered Week Ending 29-Jan-2000
(Thousand Head)**

	Young (B)	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total
Head	5,724	15	41	5,780
Avg Wt	24.46	26.33	27.98	24.42
Head Sltr Comparisons				
Last Week	4,051	3	60	4,114
Same Week Yr Ago	3,770	33	43	3,846
Avg Wt	26.87	26.76	24.95	26.84
To-Date/2000	18,354	20	192	18,651
To-Date/1999	17,177	70	99	17,346

(B) Includes 85 fryer-roasters in 2000 and 0,000 in 1999.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.
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