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**Estimated U.S. Live Poultry Slaughter Under Federal Inspection
For Week Ending 19-FEB-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Current Week	Previous Week
	02/19/00	02/12/00
Bro-Fry	155,286	160,241
Lt Hens	2,090	1,950
Hvy Hens	1,440	1,412

**U.S. Fowl Slaughtered In Canada
Weeks Ending 12-FEB- 2000 (Thousand Head)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	633	22	655
Last Week	639	5	644
Same Wk Yr Ago	502	17	519
To Date 2000	3,439	27	3,466
To Date 1999	3,047	51	3,098

(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	2,609	1,384	3,993
Last Week	2,637	1,249	3,886
Same Wk Yr Ago	2,760	1,253	4,013
To Date 2000	15,682	7,993	23,675
To Date 1999	16,547	7,981	24,528

**Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
Week Ending 12-Feb-00 (Thousand Head)**

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
Head	156,048 (A)	1,976	1,362	3,338
Avg Wt	4.87	3.43	7.79	5.21
Last Week	160,713	1,998	1,244	3,242
Same Week Yr Ago	150,347	2,258	1,236	3,494
Avg Wt	4.97	3.36	7.87	4.96
To-Date/2000	921,092	12,243	7,966	20,209
To-Date/1999	906,867	13,500	7,930	21,430

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier were 152.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 157.9 million head or 5.8 million head less than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

(R) Revised

**Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection,
Classified By Live Weight, Week Ending February 05, 2000**

	(A) Fast Food/Food Service 4.20 Lbs & Down	(B) Retail 4.21-5.25 Lbs	(C) Deboning 5.26 Lbs & Up
Head	35,911	28,783	43,210
Avg Weight	3.82	4.79	6.15
% Of Total /1	33%	27%	40%
Comparisons			
Last Week	27,727	28,988	41,676
Avg Weight	3.72	4.76	6.06
% Of Total /1	28%	29%	42%
Same Week, Yr Ago /2	33,555	27,475	42,166
Avg Weight	3.94	4.88	6.12
% Of Total /1	33%	27%	41%
To Date/2000	156,756	150,044	206,588
To Date/1999	166,149	156,838	217,479
/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 05-Feb-2000
(Thousand Head)**

	Young (B)	Young Breeders	Old Breeders	Total
Head	4,163	12	39	4,214
Avg Wt	26.84	24.25	27.59	26.84
Head Sltr Comparisons				
Last Week	5,724	15	41	5,780
Same Week Yr Ago	5,524	6	38	5,568
Avg Wt	25.94	23.33	26.29	25.94
To-Date/2000	22,517	32	231	22,865
To-Date/1999	22,701	76	137	22,914

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

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