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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Jan-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 01/20/01	PREVIOUS WEEK 01/13/01
BRO-FRY	148,446	156,754
LT HENS	1,729	1,908
HVY HENS	1,357	1,276

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
 WEEKS ENDING 06-JAN-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	413	0	413
LAST WEEK	314	0	314
SAME WK YR AGO	449	0	449
TO DATE 2001	413	0	413
TO DATE 2000	449	0	449

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,774	722	2,496
LAST WEEK	1,673	719	2,392
SAME WK YR AGO	2,456	1,626	4,082
TO DATE 2001	1,774	722	2,496
TO DATE 2000	2,456	1,626	4,082

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 13-JAN-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	157,211 (A)	1,971	1,245	3,216
AVG WT	5.09	3.46	7.58	5.05
LAST WEEK	126,812	1,361	772	2,133
SAME WEEK YR AGO	156,486	2,149	1,283	3,432
AVG WT	5.10	3.35	8.01	5.09
TO-DATE/2001	284,023	3,332	2,017	5,349
TO-DATE/2000	312,073	4,156	2,909	7,065

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 147.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 159.1 million head or 11.5 million head more than or 108 percent of estimated fryers available.

(R) Revised

**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING JANUARY 06, 2001**

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE (B) RETAIL (C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN 4.21-5.25 LBS 5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----

HEAD	27,204	26,407	46,255
AVG WEIGHT	3.74	5.04	6.31
% OF TOTAL /1	27%	26%	46%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	21,114	21,721	33,679
AVG WEIGHT	3.63	4.73	6.11
% OF TOTAL /1	28%	28%	44%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	25,525	37,437	44,153
AVG WEIGHT	3.76	4.74	6.07
% OF TOTAL /1	24%	35%	41%
TO DATE/2001	27,204	26,407	46,255
TO DATE/2000	25,525	37,437	44,153

/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 13-JAN-01
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,918	2,674	18	11	4,621
AVG WT	15.43	35.83	26.91	25.90	27.30
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,693	2,271	21	1	3,986
SAME WEEK YR AGO	5,058 (C)		0	71	5,129
AVG WT	27.51 (C)		0.00	25.07	27.06
TO-DATE/2001	8,556 (C)		39	12	8,607
TO-DATE/2000	8,603 (C)		2	91	8,696

(B) Includes 166,000 young banded breeders in 2000 and 55,000 in 1999.

(C) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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