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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on frozen hens and consumer sized toms is steady to weak. The market on fresh hens and toms is steady to barely steady frozen demand and offerings light to moderate. Fresh demand light to moderate as processors wait for some buyers to decide on December holiday needs. Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 94.00-106.00 cents shipping point and toms 94.00-106.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries. Trading light to moderate. Frozen basted equivalent hens traded at 104.00 cents shipping point.

Specialty whole turkey demand is light to moderate, instances good. Offerings light to moderate. Free range fresh hen and tom whole turkey prices ranged 122-151, antibiotic free fresh hen and tom whole turkey prices 186-319, and frozen organic hens and toms 209-255 cents.

The market on tom breast is mostly steady and the balance of white meat steady to instances firm, generally steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat light to moderate and the balance of white meat light. The market on tom bulk parts is steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of tom full-cut wings and fresh tom drums light to moderate, balance of tom bulk parts light. The market on thigh meat is steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. The market on mechanically separated turkey is steady to weak. Demand light for the moderate to heavy offerings. Domestic trading light to moderate. Some fresh mechanically separated is moving into pet food channels.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading moderate to heavy with activity centered on tom drums. Demand moderate to good with interest varying by export destination. Offerings light to moderate.

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	141-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	137-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	137-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	138-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	142-155

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L. A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	124-145
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	124-138
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	108-111
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	108-111
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	108-114

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 06-Dec-2010

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	123.14	17,500
16-24 lbs.	118.40	12,500
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	2,500
16-24 lbs.	--	2,500
	Total Volume:	35,000

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 27-Nov-10 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL TURKEYS
Head	978	1,575	19	2	2,574
Avg Wt	17.26	39.24	29.38	47.27	30.82
Last week	2,577	2,998	16	9	5,600
Same wk yr ago	870	1,682	7	0	2,559
Avg Wt	14.10	38.66	26.88	0.00	30.27
To-date/2010*	87,424	122,464	1,000	333	211,221
To-date/2009*	89,894	124,030	1,114	297	215,335
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	-10%	12%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	13,507	49,442	430	73	63,452
Last week	35,119	89,402	322	212	125,055
Same wk yr ago	9,814	52,021	144	0	61,979
To-date/2010*	1,188,678	3,711,285	19,849	8,406	4,928,218
To-date/2009*	1,211,380	3,711,948	22,969	7,008	4,953,305
% Change YTD	-2%	0%	-14%	20%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 27-Nov-10 (Preliminary)

	Young turkeys Thousand Head	Young turkeys Pct chg PW	Young turkeys Avg Live wt	Old Breeders -Thousand head-	Total Turkeys	Avg Live wt
North East	331	-62	28.82	(A)	332	28.82
South Atlantic	343	-47	36.4	(A)	344	36.40
North Central	1,312	-51	34	(A)	1,312	34.00
South Central	464	-53	19.04	(A)	464	19.04
West	122	-68	31	(A)	122	31.00
U.S. total	2,572 (B)	-54	30.82	2	2,574	30.82
To-date 2010*	210,888 (B)			333	211,221	
To-date 2009*	215,038 (B)			297	215,335	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 19,000; for the current year to date* 1,000,000; for last year to date* 1,114,000.
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Weekly Weighted Average Prices for Frozen Whole Young Turkeys
USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, Poultry Market News & Analysis Branch
(consumer sizes, commodity pack or equivalent, U.S. Grade A, cents/lb. (minimum 10,000 lb lots)

For the Week Ending December 03, 2010

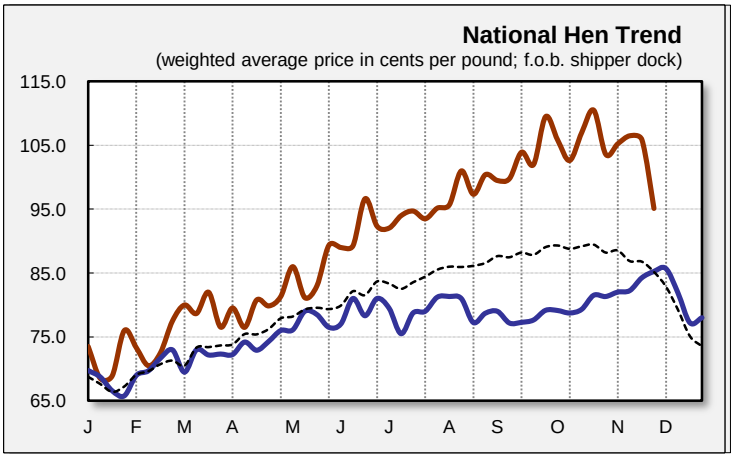
National	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		November Averages		
Weighted Average Price (FOB Shipper Dock basis)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)	95.12	638	105.87	1,242	85.21	--	106.05	107.22	82.03
16-24 lb. (Toms)	96.35	130	106.00	414	85.41	--	105.44	105.01	82.20

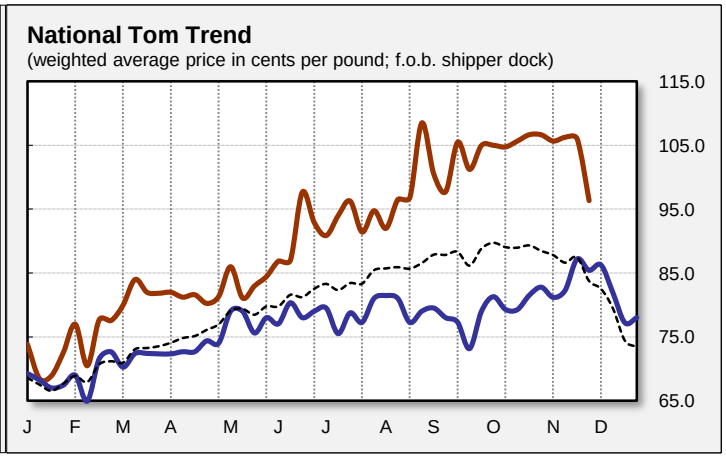
NOTE: Effective January 4, 2011, the 3 regional quotations for hens and toms will be discontinued.

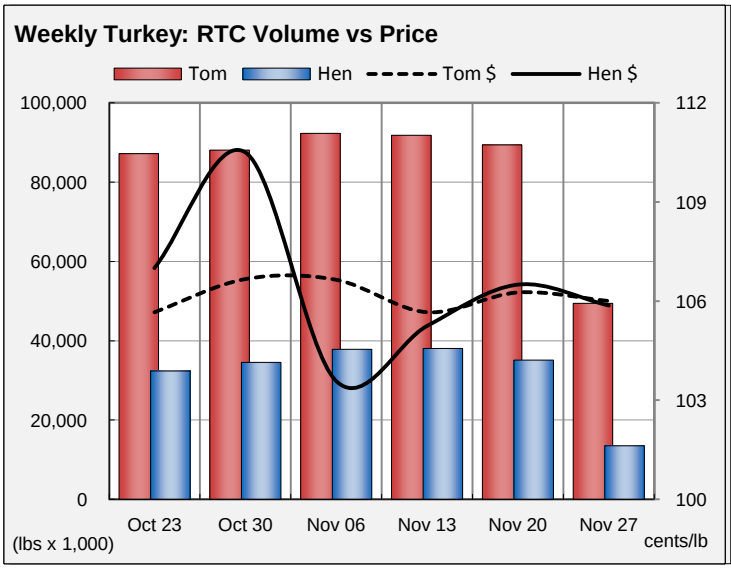
Regional	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		November Averages		
Weighted Average Price (Delivered basis)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)									
Eastern Region	106.80 [1]		111.70	200	89.75		109.29	111.03	84.96
Central Region	97.83	518	109.01	1,042	87.60		108.35	111.05	85.25
Western Region	103.50	120	109.50 [1]		88.50		110.64	108.60	84.87
16-24 lb. (Toms)									
Eastern Region	103.50	40	109.64	140	90.17		108.97	108.10	85.28
Central Region	98.39	90	109.66	274	88.21		107.89	108.30	85.37
Western Region	109.50 [1]		109.50 [1]		88.31		110.53	109.03	84.93

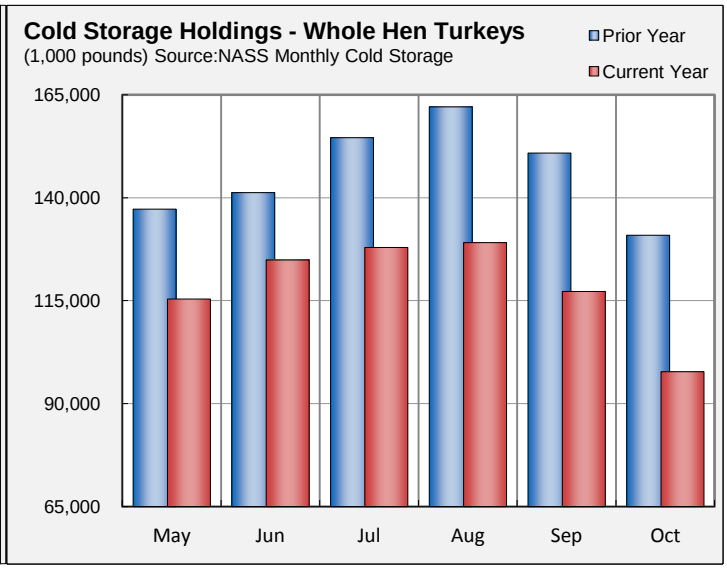
[1] based on offers.

2010 — 2009 — Prior 3 Year Avg.









NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 02 DECEMBER 2010.

The market on bulk parts remains steady to fully steady. Demand is light to moderate while offerings are light. The white meat market is steady to instances firm. Demand is light to moderate for the limited offerings. The market on thigh meat continues steady. Demand is light to moderate with offerings light. Mechanically separated turkey market (MST) is steady at best. Demand is light. Offerings are moderate to instances heavy. Market activity is slow to moderate as industry resumes normal processing schedules. For domestic: fresh tom full-cut wings 81, fresh tom necks 38, fresh tails 36, frozen tails 38 cents delivered. For export: fresh thigh meat 132.5 cents delivered border.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	135.00		135.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	151.00-179.00		171.63	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	118.00		118.00	100
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	76.00-78.00		77.92	42
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	71.00-79.00		77.52	92
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	72.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	89.00-92.00		91.02	118
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	80.00		80.00	5
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	92.00		92.00	13
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	125.00		125.00	18
NECKS, TOM	42.00-45.00		43.14	190
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	278.00		278.00	20
THIGH MEAT		W	132.00	10
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	133.00		133.00	38
BREAST TRIM MEAT	205.00		205.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	199.00		199.00	2
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	159.00		159.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	250.00		250.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	22.00		22.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00-23.00		21.78	257
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	81.00		81.00	20
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	41.00		41.00	54
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	132.50-135.00		134.28	180

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):
M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY
2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.
3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.
4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	135.00	160	135.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	171.63	10	171.63	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	118.00	100	118.00	100
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	78.00		78.00	40	77.11	144
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	71.00-76.00		71.57	524	72.55	736
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	72.00	10	72.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	89.00-92.00		90.82	88	90.68	242
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	80.00	5	80.00	17
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	90.00-92.00		91.52	290	91.54	303
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	125.00	18	124.70	20
NECKS, TOM	42.00-44.00		42.94	85	42.98	352
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	275.00-277.00		275.40	50	276.14	70
THIGH MEAT	130.00-134.00		132.56	180	132.52	230
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	130.00-132.00		130.46	104	131.13	144
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	205.00	80	205.00	90
SCAPULA MEAT		R	199.00	2	199.00	2
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	158.00		158.00	5	158.73	55
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	250.00	40	250.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00-20.50		18.00	160	18.80	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	17.00-24.00		20.85	714	21.10	971
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	85.00-92.00		87.47	1,026	87.31	1,166
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	89.00		89.00	410	89.00	410
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS	38.00		38.00	8	40.61	62
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.50-22.00		21.25	80	21.25	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	131.00		131.00	80	133.10	300

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