

# TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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#### NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

## **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**



The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings very light to light for current shipments with prices unchanged to higher. Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 97.00-99.00 cents shipping point and toms 97.00-104.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries. No trading reported.

The market tone on bone-in breasts is steady to firm. The market on thigh meat is steady to firm, mostly steady to fully steady. The balance of white meat and parts items is steady to fully steady with tom necks held with the least confidence. Demand light to moderate. Offerings very light to moderate, mostly light. The market on mechanically separated turkey market is steady. Demand light for the light to moderate offerings. Trading light on all items. Some are finding less market activity as industry members depart to a major poultry convention.

#### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading light. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light.

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY

Delivered to restaurants and institutions

	<u>Range</u>
Turkeys Y Hens	133-165
Turkeys Y Toms Under 22#	129-165
Turkeys Y Toms 22-24#	129-165
Turkeys Y Toms 24-26#	139-165
Turkeys Y Toms 26 Lbs & Over	139-165

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

Processed turkey delivered to retailers

	<u>Range</u>
Fresh Turkeys Y Hens 8-16#	118-128
Fresh Turkeys Y Toms 14-24#	
Frozen Turkeys Y Hens 8-16#	97-102
Frozen Turkeys Y Toms 14-24#	97-109
Frozen Turkeys Y Toms 24-28#	104-111

## **NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS**

\*\*Effective May 5, 2011 this report will be discontinued. The weighted average prices and volumes for fresh turkeys will continue to be published on the Weekly National Fresh and Frozen Whole Young Turkey report on a FOB shipper dock basis.\*\*

U.S. Grade A, delivered to first receivers (prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 02-May-2011

Price (ce	Volume (lbs.)	
Priced at Time of Sal		
8-16 lbs.	112.89	79,000
16-24 lbs.	111.40	53,000
Price to be Determin	ed	
8-16 lbs.		5,000
16-24 lbs.		5,000
	Total Volume	e: 142,000

## TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 23-Apr--2011 (Preliminary)

VV/L 20 / Pr 2011 (1 Tellitlinary)								
	Old	Total to	urkeys					
		Pct	Chg	Avg	<b>Breeders</b>		Avg	
-Thousand	l Head-	Prev	/ wk	Live wt	Thousand	head	Live wt	
North East	505		-18	26.51	(A)	506	26.51	
South Atlantic	629		6	36.34	(A)	630	36.34	
North Central	2,011		-7	33.14	(A)	2,012	33.14	
South Central	680		-16	18.70	(A)	681	18.70	
West	255		-4	30.59	(A)	255	30.59	
U.S. total	4,080	(B)	-8	30.26	4	4,084	30.26	
To-date	·	` ,				•		
2011*	68,620	(B)			115	68,735		
To-date	,-	( )				,		
2010*	69,073	(B)			105	69,178		
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(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 13,000; for the current year to date\* 343,000; for last year to date\* 373,000.

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 23-Apr-2011 (Preliminary)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Bree	Old eders	Total Turkeys			
		Thous	ands					
Head	1,592	2,475	13	4	4,084			
Avg Wt	17.16	38.71	22.50	42.24	30.26			
Last week	1,928	2,500	19	3	4,450			
Same wk yr ago	1,601	2,639	30	2	4,272			
Avg Wt	16.98	37.97	25.16	33.41	28.58			
To-date/2011*	27,875	40,402	343	115	68,735			
To-date/2010*	28,529	40,171	373	105	69,178			
% Change YTD	-2%	1%	-8%	10%	-1%			
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage								

#### Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	21,720	76,161	227	131	98,239
Last week	25,965	79,077	331	111	105,484
Same wk yr ago	21,748	80,162	581	51	102,542
To-date/2011*	381,648	1,276,707	6,776	2,807	1,667,938
To-date/2010*	388,683	1,258,198	7,432	2,718	1,657,031
% Change YTD	-2%	1%	-9%	3%	1%

79.5%

77.5%

77.5%

79.5% (A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

Dressing %

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#### Weekly National Fresh and Frozen Whole Young Turkeys

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis

## Frozen Whole Body Trading - Week Ending April 29, 2011 -

(commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots)

	Current Week		Last V	Veek	Last Year	
U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume
	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	95.32	31	96.80 1		81.33 <sup>1</sup>	
16-24 lb. (Toms)	95.59	17	102.74	27	81.33 <sup>1</sup>	

April Averages							
This	Last	Last					
Month	Month	Year					
96.68	92.38	80.43					
99.33	92.33	80.70					

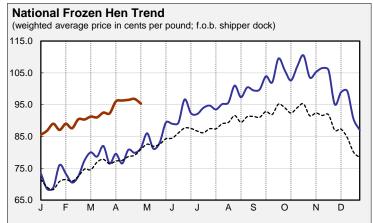
## Fresh Whole Body Trading - Week Ending April 28, 2011

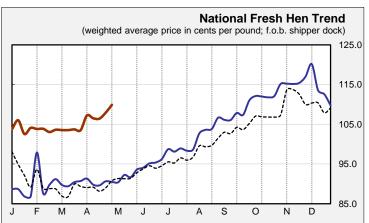
(with timers; for delivery within the next 7 days)

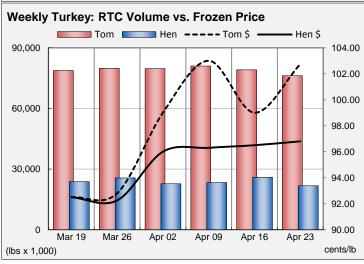
	Curren	t Week	Last	Week	Last	Year		April Average	es
U.S. Grade A - FRESH	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	This	Last	Last
	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	Month	Month	Year
Priced At Time Of Sale:									
8-16 lb. (Hens)	109.89	79.0	107.90	93.0	90.38	198.0	106.79	105.32	90.08
16-24 lb. (Toms)	108.40	53.0	106.93	68.0	87.89	90.0	106.86	105.32	87.54
Price To Be Determined:		_							
8-16 lb. (Hens)		5.0		10.0		5.0			
16-24 lb. (Toms)		5.0		10.0		5.0			

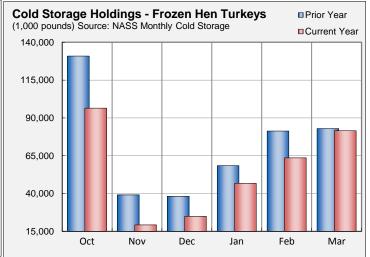
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> based on offers.











## **NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**

Including bulk meat and frozen (unless specified), cents per lb., delivered first receivers, part and full trucklots as of 28 April 2011.

The market on bulk parts is steady to fully steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light. The market on white meat is steady to fully steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light. Thigh meat market is steady to instances firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light. Trading was slow. For domestic: fresh scapula 198 cents, fresh full cut wings 77 cents, fresh tom necks 35 cents and basted grade A breast 10-12 lb. 176 cents and 14-16 lb. 181 cents. For export: hand defatted tom gizzards 95 cents delivered port.

Domestic Trading	Price Range	L.S.T. Code 1/	Wtd Avg Price	Volume (000)
B	- J		100.10	
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/	450 00 400 00	Т	128.49	172
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade AFresh 2/	159.00-189.00		177.75	16
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/	00.00.04.00		00.00	407
Drumsticks, Tom	80.00-81.00		80.93	437
Drumsticks, TomFresh	76.00-78.00	10/	76.98	83
Drumsticks, Hen	00.00	W	74.00	4
Wings, Full Cut, Tom	82.00	10/	82.00	44
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen		W	78.00	4
Wings, V-Type, Tom		M F	97.75	160
Wings, V-Type, Hen	20.00	F	120.00	41
Necks, Tom	39.00	F	39.00	4
Necks, Hen		F R	37.00	8
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/			255.00	4
Breasts, B/S, TomFresh 3/	136.00-138.00	W	250.00 137.82	150
Thigh Meat				45 51
Thigh MeatFresh	135.00-138.00		136.76	51
Breast Trim Meat	206.00		206.00 199.94	40
Scapula Meat	198.00-201.00	10/		63
Wing Meat with Skin		W	160.00	4
Tenderloins	227.00.240.00		220.02	20
Destrapped Tenders Destrapped TendersFresh	237.00-240.00		238.93	28
Mechanically Separated 4/	30.00-31.00		30.87	47
			31.00	
Mechanically SeparatedFresh 4/	31.00		31.00	290
Export Trading				
Drumsticks, Toms		F	81.78	362
Wings Full-Cut - Toms		R	83.30	270
Wings, V-Type, Tom		M	97.25	240
Tails	42.00		42.00	54
Mechanically Separated 4/		F	31.00	54
Thigh Meat - Frozen		F	135.00	27

<sup>1/</sup> Codes for last significant trade (L.S.T.):

M=Monday T=Tuesday W=Wednesday R=Thursday F=Friday

<sup>2/</sup> Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

<sup>3/</sup> Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

<sup>4/15-20%</sup> fat with skin added.

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Domestic Trading	Price Range	L.S.T Code 1/	Wtd Avg Price	Volume (000)	Weekly Wtd Avg Price	Weekly Volume (000)
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/	134.00-135.00		134.50	80	130.40	252
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade AFresh 2/		R	177.75	16	177.75	16
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/	70.00		70.00	20	00.00	4.40
Drumsticks, Tom	76.00		76.00	20	80.29	149
Drumsticks, TomFresh	74.00-77.00		74.98	225	75.65	428
Drumsticks, Hen	74.00	Б	74.00	2	74.00	6
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	70.00	R	82.00	44	83.18	238
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	78.00		78.00	6	78.00	10
Wings, V-Type, Tom	98.00	_	98.00	40	97.80	200
Wings, V-Type, Hen	07.00	F	120.00	41	07.40	450
Necks, Tom	37.00		37.00	40	37.18	158
Necks, Hen	35.00		35.00	4	35.00	4
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/	050.00		050.00	40	050.00	400
Breasts, B/S, TomFresh 3/	250.00	Б	250.00	40	250.03	402
Thigh Meat	105.00	R	137.82	45	137.22	57
Thigh MeatFresh	135.00		135.00	40	135.74	121
Breast Trim Meat	206.00		206.00	40	206.00	80
Scapula Meat	198.00		198.00	40	199.14	107
Wing Meat with Skin	160.00		160.00	40	160.00	44
Tenderloins	230.00	_	230.00	10	230.00	10
Destrapped Tenders		R	238.93	28	238.93	28
Destrapped TendersFresh	237.00		237.00	40	237.00	40
Mechanically Separated 4/	28.00		28.00	40	29.54	87
Mechanically SeparatedFresh 4/	30.00-32.00		31.00	180	30.66	728
Export Trading						
Drumsticks, Toms	83.00-85.00		84.22	242	84.22	242
Wings Full-Cut - Toms	00.00		00.00	<b>5</b> 4	07.00	20.4
Wings, V-Type, Tom	96.00	<b>D</b>	96.00	54	97.02	294
Tails		R	42.00	54	42.00	54
Mechanically Separated 4/	405.00	F	31.00	54	405.00	00
Thigh Meat - Frozen	135.00		135.00	80	135.00	80

<sup>1/</sup> Codes for last significant trade (L.S.T.):

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