

### TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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

#### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market 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. 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 on white meat is at least steady. Demand light to mostly moderate. Offerings light to moderate. The market on consumer and institutional sized rib breasts is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate for the very light to light offerings. The market on tom bulk parts is steady to firm, mostly steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings uneven ranging very light to moderate, mostly light to moderate with supplies held with varied degrees of confidence. The thigh meat market is steady to firm, mostly steady. Demand light to moderate. Trading light to moderate.

### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading moderate to moderately heavy with activity centered on tom drums. Demand light to good, mostly light to moderate with some destinations willing to pay premiums. Offerings very light to moderate.

LIVE TURKEYS	SLAUGI	HTERED V	V/E 30-Apr-11	(Prelim	inary)
	YO	UNG	YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDEI	RS T	URKEYS
Head	1,803	2,621	18	4	4,446
Avg Wt	16.70	39.41	26.68	41.71	30.15
Last week	1,592	2,475	13	4	4,084
Same wk yr ago	1,583	2,766	15	4	4,368
Avg Wt	16.41	37.89	24.65	47.41	28.96
To-date/2011*	29,678	43,023	361	119	73,181
To-date/2010*	30,112	42,937	388	109	73,546
% Change YTD	-1%	0%	-7%	9%	0%
Ready-to-Cook	Weight ar	nd Dressing	Percentage		
Current week	23,931	82,117	372	129	106,549
Last week	21,720	76,161	227	131	98,239
Same wk yr ago	20,782	83,843	285	146	105,056
To-date/2011*	405,5791	1,358,824	7,148	2,936	1,774,487
To-date/2010*	409,465	1,342,041	7,717	2,864	1,762,087
% Change YTD	-1%	1%	-7%	3%	1%
Dressing %	79.5%	79.5%	77.5%	77.5%	

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

### NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 30-Apr-11	l (Pre	liminary	<b>'</b> )			
	Young	gturkey	/S	Old	Total	<b>Turkeys</b>
Th	ousand F	ct chg	Avg	Breede	ers	Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousa	nd head-	Live wt
North East	614	22	26.30	(A)	615	26.30
South Atlantic	577	-8	37.53	(A)	578	37.53
North Central	2,170	8	33.26	(A)	2,171	33.26
South Central	825	21	19.05	(A)	826	19.05
West	256	0	31.96	(A)	256	31.96
U.S. total	4,442 (B)	9	30.15	4	4,446	30.15
To-date						
2011*	73,062 (B)	)		119	73,181	
To-date						
2010*	73,437 (B)	)		109	73,546	

<sup>(</sup>A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

# SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	115-128
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#	104-112

<sup>(</sup>B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 18,00 for the current year to date\* 361,000; for last year to date\* 388,000.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

# Weekly National Fresh and Frozen Whole Young Turkeys USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, Poultry Market News & Analysis Branch

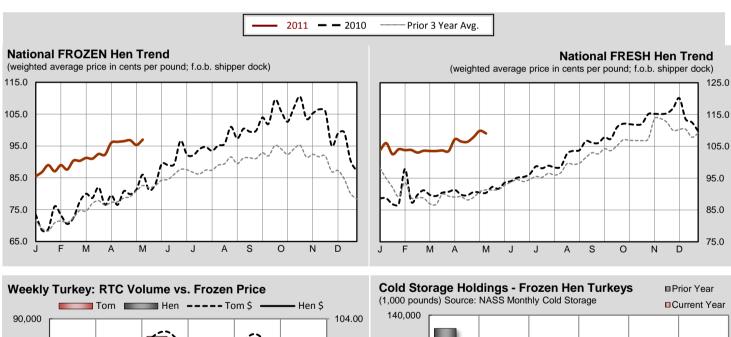
Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending May 06, 2011

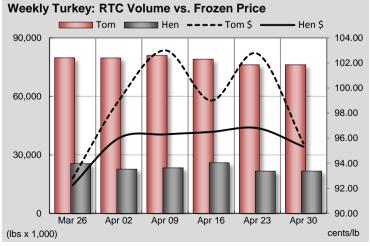
FROZEN Whole Body Trading (commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots), current negotiation for delivery within two weeks)

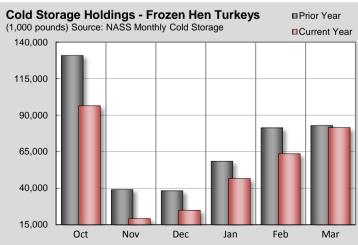
	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		April Averages			s
U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	wtd avg	volume	-	This	Last	Last
	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)	(cents/lb)	(000 lbs.)		Month	Month	Year
8-16 lb. (Hens)	97.00	12	95.32	31	86.00	40		96.68	92.38	80.43
16-24 lb. (Toms)	97.33	12	95.59	17	86.00	80		99.33	92.33	80.70
<sup>1</sup> based on offers.					•		-			

### FRESH Whole Body Turkeys - with timers; for delivery within the next seven days.

	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		April Averages		s
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)	109.06	96.0	109.89	79.0	92.24	187.0	106.79	105.32	90.08
16-24 lb. (Toms)	107.82	61.0	108.40	53.0	91.00	70.0	106.86	105.32	87.54
Price To Be Determined:									
8-16 lb. (Hens)		5.0		5.0		5.0			
16-24 lb. (Toms)		5.0		5.0		5.0			







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### **NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**

Including bulk meat and frozen (unless specified), cents per lb., delivered first receivers, part and full trucklots as of 05 May 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Tom breast meat market is steady with the balance of white meat steady to fully steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. The market on thigh meat is steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light. Trading was slow. For domestic: Grade A breasts 8-10 lb. 150 cents, 10-12 lb. 175 cents, 12-14 lb. 175 cents, plant grade breast 14-16 lb. 175 cents, 16-18 lb. 185 cents and 18-20 lb. 185 cents delivered. For export: frozen tom necks 38 cents delivered port.

Domestic Trading	Price	L.S.T.	Wtd Avg	Volume	
	Range	Code 1/	Price	(000)	
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/		Т	130.00	600	
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade AFresh 2/		R	177.75	16	
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/	127.00		127.00	3	
Drumsticks, Tom		W	83.00	6	
Drumsticks, TomFresh	76.00		76.00	2	
Drumsticks, Hen	74.00		74.00	16	
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	82.00		82.00	14	
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	78.00		78.00	12	
Wings, V-Type, Tom	97.00		97.00	20	
Wings, V-Type, Hen					
Necks, Tom	37.00-40.00		38.99	111	
Necks, Hen	36.00		36.00	10	
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/					
Breasts, B/S, TomFresh 3/		F	250.00	40	
Thigh Meat		R	137.82	45	
Thigh MeatFresh		T	136.00	40	
Breast Trim Meat		W	206.00	4	
Scapula Meat		F	198.00	40	
Wing Meat with Skin		W	160.00	2	
Tenderloins	230.00		230.00	12	
Destrapped Tenders		R	238.93	28	
Destrapped TendersFresh		F	237.00	40	
Mechanically Separated 4/		M	30.00	80	
Mechanically SeparatedFresh 4/	31.00		31.00	40	
Export Trading					
Drumsticks, Toms	81.00		81.00	80	
Wings Full-Cut - Toms					
Wings, V-Type, Tom		F	96.00	54	
Tails		R	42.00	54	
Mechanically Separated 4/					
Thigh Meat - Frozen		W	135.00	52	

<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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Including bulk meat and frozen (unless specified), cents per lb., delivered first receivers, part and full trucklots as of 06 May 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady. Demand and offerings were both light to moderate. Tom breast meat and white meat market is steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. The market on thigh meat is steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings limited. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: Grade A breasts 12-16 lb. 176 cents and 16-18 lb. 191 cents and fresh scapula 199 cents.

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/		Т	130.00	600	130.00	600
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade AFresh 2/	159.00-199.00		176.50	20	176.50	20
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/		R	127.00	3	120.21	83
Drumsticks, Tom	80.00-81.00		80.91	45	81.07	55
Drumsticks, TomFresh	74.00-76.00		75.20	200	75.12	362
Drumsticks, Hen	74.00-76.00		75.90	42	75.18	68
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	82.00-83.75		83.59	33	82.47	103
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	78.00		78.00	3	78.00	21
Wings, V-Type, Tom	96.00		96.00	26	96.67	90
Wings, V-Type, Hen	121.00		121.00	2	121.00	2
Necks, Tom	37.00		37.00	24	37.75	235
Necks, Hen	35.00		35.00	2	35.89	18
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/	255.00		255.00	120	255.00	120
Breasts, B/S, TomFresh 3/		F	250.00	40		
Thigh Meat	134.00-136.00		135.56	54	135.56	54
Thigh MeatFresh	135.00-138.00		137.23	55	136.71	95
Breast Trim Meat		W	206.00	4	206.00	4
Scapula Meat	198.00-199.00		198.14	14	198.14	14
Wing Meat with Skin	160.00		160.00	80	160.00	82
Tenderloins		R	230.00	12	230.00	12
Destrapped Tenders						
Destrapped TendersFresh	237.00		237.00	40	237.00	40
Mechanically Separated 4/		M	30.00	80	30.00	80
Mechanically SeparatedFresh 4/	30.00-32.00		30.95	473	30.95	553
Export Trading						
Drumsticks, Toms Wings Full-Cut - Toms	79.00-88.00		83.76	672	83.47	752
Wings, V-Type, Tom Tails	98.00-100.0		98.62	348	98.62	348
Mechanically Separated 4/ Thigh Meat - Frozen	30.00 134.00-140.0		30.00 137.50	216 216	30.00 137.01	216 268

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

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