

### TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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

#### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on hens and 16-24 lb. toms is steady with a steady to firm undertone. Demand light to instances moderate. Offerings are light to moderate on hens and 16-24 lb. toms. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 104.00-110.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 104.50-110.00 cents fob for current shipments. Trading light on frozen basted equivalent hens at 107-108 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms at 104.50-108 cents fob for current deliveries.



Dressing %

The market on fresh tom breast meat is steady with a steady to firm undertone, balance of white meat mostly steady. Demand on fresh tom breast meat moderate to good, mostly moderate with the balance of white meat ranging light to moderate. Offerings light to moderate with frozen tom breast meat in the longest position. The tom bulk parts market is mostly steady. Demand light to moderate, instances good. Offerings light to moderate. The market on thigh meat is steady with a steady to firm undertone. Demand light to mostly moderate. Offerings light. The mechanically separated turkey market is steady to instances weak, mostly steady with fresh trading at unchanged to instances lower price levels. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading light.

### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading light to moderate, mostly light with activity also reported on tom necks, fresh thigh meat and fresh tom drums. The market on thigh meat is steady with a steady to firm undertone, balance of items mostly steady. Demand is light to good, mostly moderate. Offerings light to moderate.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 21-Jul-12 (Preliminary)							
	Yo	Young	Old	Total			
	Hens	Toms	Bro	eeders	Turkeys		
Head	1,792	2,908	27	8	4,735		
Avg Wt	16.25	38.75	27.20	35.31	30.16		
Last week	1,778	2,430	45	0	4,253		
Same wk yr ago	1,825	2,701	16	2	4,544		
Avg Wt	16.36	37.05	26.90	33.80	28.71		
To-date/2012*	52,262	73,563	631	198	126,654		
To-date/2011*	51,952	74,482	604	204	127,242		
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	4%	-3%	0%		
Ready-to-Cook V	Veight and	Dressing Pe	rcentage				
Current week	23,293	90,143	555	213	114,204		
Last week	23,440	74,311	906	0	98,657		
Same wk yr ago	23,886	80,058	331	52	104,327		
To-date/2012*	704,149	2,387,599	12,625	5,127	3,109,500		
To-date/2011*	709,977	2,326,621	14,233	4,952	3,055,783		
% Change YTD	-1%	3%	-11%	4%	2%		

80.0%

75.5%

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

80.0%

# NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 21-Jul-12	2 (Prelir	minary)				
	Your	ng turkey	/S	Old	Total	<b>Turkeys</b>
7	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breede	rs	Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand	d head-	Live wt
North East	612	11	25.25	(A)	614	25.25
South Atlantic	689	20	40.79	(A)	691	40.79
North Central	2,367	8	32.27	(A)	2,369	32.27
South Central	808	5	18.22	(A)	809	18.22
West	251	43	31.33	(A)	252	31.33
U.S. total	4,727 (B	) 11	30.16	8	4,735	30.16
To-date						
2012*	126,456 (B	)		198	126,654	
To-date						
2011*	127,038 (B	)		204	127,242	

- (A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
- (B) Number of youngbanded breeder turkeys included: this week 27,000; for the current year to date\* 631,000; for last year to date\* 604,000.

# SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS R

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	150-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	149-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	149-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	149-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	150-185

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	117-136
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	110-116
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	110-126
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	114-130

<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

Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending July 27, 2012

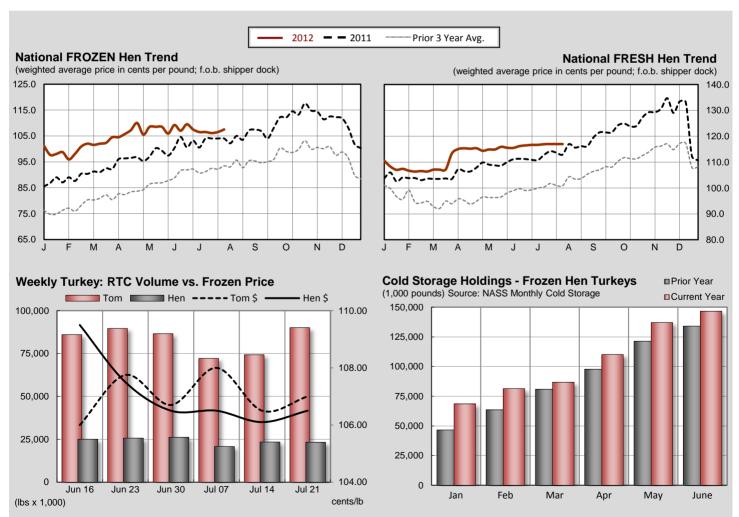
FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

	Curren	t 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)	107.50	80	106.50 <sup>1</sup>		104.00 <sup>1</sup>	
16-24 lb. (Toms)	106.34	19	107.00 <sup>1</sup>		105.50 <sup>1</sup>	

July Averages							
This	Last	Last					
Month	Month	Year					
106.43	106.00	104.00					
106.96	106.51	105.08					

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

	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		July Averages		
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)	117.00	116.5	117.00	116.5	112.95	75.0	116.99	116.52	113.45
16-24 lb. (Toms)	115.32	56.0	115.32	56.0	111.75	50.0	115.33	115.29	111.60
Price To Be Determined:									
8-16 lb. (Hens)		2.5		2.5		2.5			
16-24 lb. (Toms)		2.5		2.5		2.5			



Source: USDA AMS Poultry Market News & Analysis website: http://www.ams.usda.gov/pymarketnews.htm

<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 26 JULY 2012.

The market on bulk parts is mixed, mostly steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. The market on white meat was steady and not fully tested. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Thigh meat market was steady to firm. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light. Mechanically separated turkey market was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Trading was slow. For domestic: breeder tom breast meat 171.5 cents, fresh mechanically separated turkey 21 cents pet food, frozen tails 50 cents and livers 28 cents delivered. For export: frozen tom breast meat 175 cents, frozen tom necks 35-38 cents delivered to border or port.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				, ,
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE AFRESH 2/		F	166.00	30
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	124.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	58.00	**	58.00	32
DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH	54.00		54.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	56.00-62.00		58.84	38
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		W	46.00	300
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	47.00-50.00		49.25	24
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	90.00		90.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	121.00		121.00	2
NECKS, TOM	33.00-37.00		34.90	4
NECKS, HEN		F	34.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	177.00	50
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/	182.00		182.00	40
THIGH MEAT		W	91.67	30
THIGH MEATFRESH	90.00		90.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		_		
SCAPULA MEAT		F	93.00	10
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	405.00		105.00	
TENDERLOINS	185.00	147	185.00	2
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	177.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH		F	183.00	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	40.00	F	30.00 40.00	40 40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	40.00		40.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	55.00		55.00	270
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	39.00-43.00		42.00	378
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	93.00	486
TAILS		Т	51.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	32.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	94.00	54

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

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DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE	L.S.T	WTD		WEEKLY WTD	WEEKLY
	RANGE	CODE	AVG	VOLUME	AVG	VOLUME
		1/	PRICE	(000)	PRICE	(000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE AFRESH 2/	159.00-189.00		170.43	35	170.43	35
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	124.00	40	124.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	56.00		56.00	60	57.64	171
DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH	52.00-55.00		53.00	280	53.05	760
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	58.84	38	58.84	38
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	43.00-44.00		43.25	106	44.72	446
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	49.25	24	49.25	24
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	90.00	18	90.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	121.00	2	121.00	2
NECKS, TOM	35.00		35.00	14	36.65	100
NECKS, HEN		F	34.00	20		
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	177.00	50	177.00	50
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/	185.00		185.00	100	185.55	220
THIGH MEAT	92.00		92.00	30	91.83	60
THIGH MEATFRESH	89.00-94.50		93.98	80	92.65	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT						
SCAPULA MEAT		F	93.00	10		
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
TENDERLOINS		R	185.00	2	185.00	2
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	177.00	80	177.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH	183.00		183.00	90	183.00	90
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	38.00		38.00	40	38.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	32.00-40.50		36.71	210	38.03	370
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	55.00	270	55.00	270
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	42.00	378	43.45	594
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	95.00		95.00	162	95.00	162
TAILS		Т	51.00	40	51.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	32.00	20	32.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	94.00	54	94.00	54

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