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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

*** Starting January 4, 2010 the Daily Whole Young Turkey report will be combined into the Daily National Turkey Market At A Glance with offers and trading reported on a National Basis. The Weekly Weighted Average Prices for the Whole Young Turkey report will include a National Average Price on a FOB shipper basis. The Weekly Weighted Average Prices for Whole Young Turkey report will be released every Friday.***



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was mostly steady. Inquiry slow to moderate. Offerings light to adequate. Offering prices for hens and toms on a national basis ranged 71-77 cents delivered with no trading reported.

The market tone on boneless white meat was steady to weak with trading noted on fresh tom breast meat at lower trending price levels. Demand slow for the adequate to instances burdensome offerings. The market tone on dark items was steady to firm while full-cut wings and mechanically separated turkey was mostly steady. Demand on dark items was light to moderate with best interest on drums, thigh meat and necks. Offerings limited. Demand on mechanically separated turkey was fair for the generally adequate offerings.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading slow with activity noted on fries, drummettes, fresh tom breast meat and fresh thigh meat. Demand slow to moderate with inquiry noted from Asia and Mexico. Offerings short to light.

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	121-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	117-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	117-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	115-149

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	105-120
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-89
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	88-89

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 11-JAN-2010

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	89.83	57,500
16-24 lbs.	89.00	5,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	5,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000
Total Volume:		72,500

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 09-JAN-2010 (Preliminary)		---Young turkeys---		Old	Total	Turkeys
Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breeders	-Thousand	head-	Avg
Head	PW	Live wt				Live wt

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

W/E 09-Jan-10 (Preliminary)		YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
		BREEDERS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS	
Head	1,723	2,508	17	1	4,249	
Avg Wt	17.09	39.90	25.98	67.47	30.60	
Last week	1,205	1,979	8	2	3,194	
Same wk yr ago	1,847	2,827	21	2	4,697	
Avg Wt	16.17	39.53	27.89	55.16	30.30	
To-date/2010*	1,723	2,508	17	1	4,249	
To-date/2009*	1,847	2,827	21	2	4,697	
% Change YTD	-7%	-11%	-19%	-50%	-10%	
<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>						
Current week	23,554	80,047	340	52	103,993	
Last week	16,361	61,621	158	38	78,178	
Same wk yr ago	23,893	89,401	448	84	113,826	
To-date/2010*	23,554	80,047	340	52	103,993	
To-date/2009*	23,893	89,401	448	84	113,826	
% Change YTD	-1%	-10%	-24%	-38%	-9%	
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%		

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

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 09-Jan-10 (Preliminary)		-----Young turkeys-----		Old	Total	Turkeys
Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breeders	-Thousand	head-	Avg
Head	PW	Live wt				Live wt
North East	592	35	26.51	(A)	593	26.51
South Atlantic	617	32	39.18	(A)	617	39.18
North Central	2,015	31	34.1	(A)	2,015	34.10
South Central	662	30	19.06	(A)	662	19.06
West	362	48	24.18	(A)	362	24.18
U.S. total	4,248 (B)	33	30.60	1	4,249	30.60
To-date						
2010*	4,248 (B)			1	4,249	
To-date						
2009*	4,695 (B)			2	4,697	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 17,000; for the current year to date* 17,000; for last year to date* 21,000.

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

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 January 15, 2010

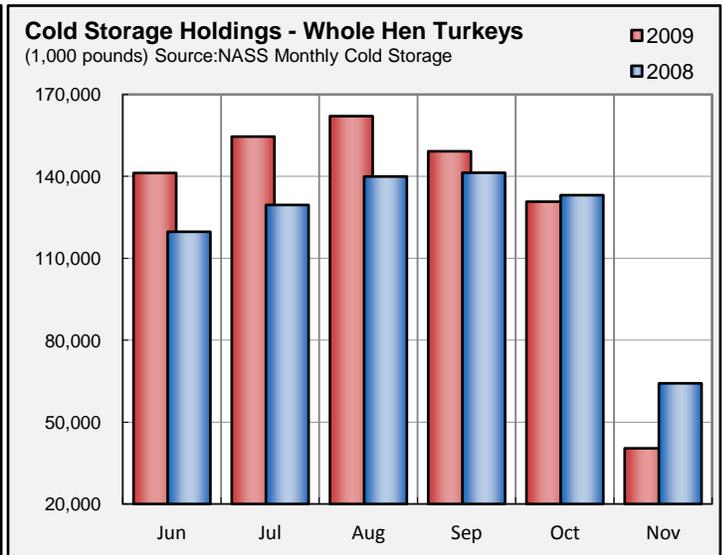
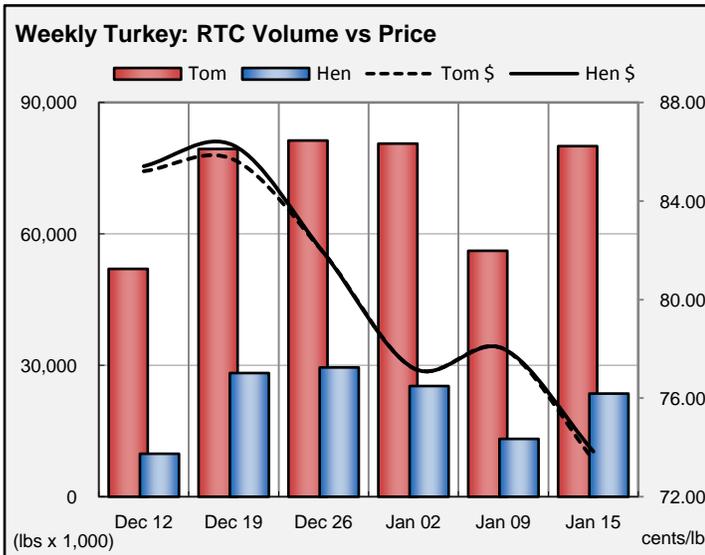
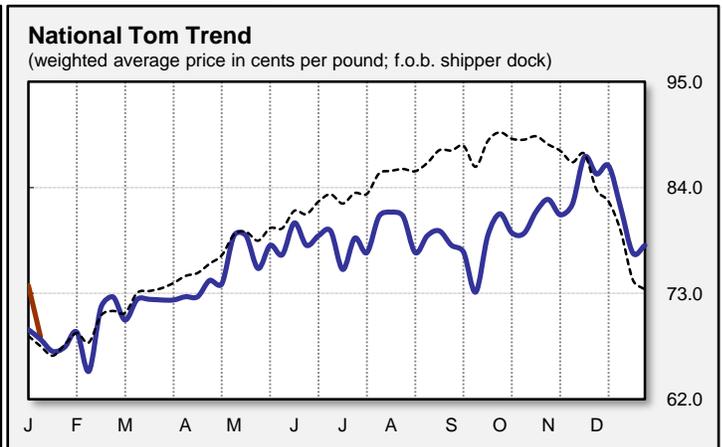
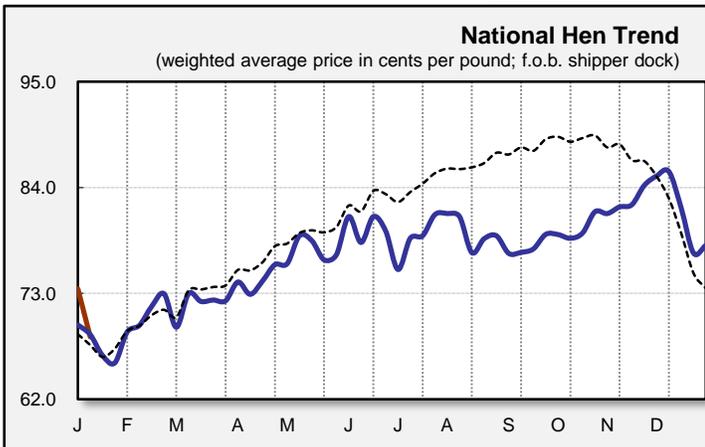
National Weighted Average Price (FOB Shipper Dock basis)	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year	
	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	68.50	2,400,000	73.50	10,000	68.75 ¹	--
16-24 lb. (Toms)	68.50	1,600,000	73.83	30,000	68.25 ¹	--

December Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
83.79	85.03	72.82
83.88	85.20	72.12

Regional Weighted Average Price (Delivered basis)	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year	
	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)						
Eastern Region	76.00 ¹		77.30 ¹	10,000	70.00	
Central Region	71.50	2,400,000	76.50	10,000	69.00	
Western Region	76.00 ¹		77.30 ¹		71.50 ¹	
16-24 lb. (Toms)						
Eastern Region	76.00 ¹		77.30 ¹		70.00	
Central Region	71.50	1,600,000	76.83	30,000	71.00 ¹	
Western Region	76.00 ¹		77.30 ¹		71.00 ¹	

December Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
87.93	84.96	75.64
87.65	85.25	75.73
87.80	84.87	76.42
88.03	85.28	74.88
87.78	85.40	74.31
87.80	84.93	76.12

¹ 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 14 JAN 2010.

The market tone on bulk parts ranged steady to instances firm, with mechanically separated turkey steady at best. Demand was slow to moderate while offerings were light to moderate. The trade sentiment on thigh meat was fully steady to at times firm. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were tight. The market tone on white meat items was steady to barely steady. Demand and trading was limited and not well tested. Reported inquiry centered on thigh meat, drums, full-cut wings, V-type wings, tails and MST.

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 A--FRESH 2/		T	145.00	5
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	56.37	43
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	57.00		57.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	53.00	18
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	73.00-74.00		73.26	54
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	72.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	72.00		72.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	36.00		36.00	80
NECKS, HEN		F	38.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	149.00		149.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	165.00	40
THIGH MEAT	116.00-117.00		116.52	77
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	117.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	125.50	16
SCAPULA MEAT		T	103.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	105.50	80
TENDERLOINS		F	131.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	135.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	142.00	16
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	20.00	240
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	57.50		57.50	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	73.00	54
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	33.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	18.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

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.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 JAN 2010.

The market tone on bulk parts was mixed, steady to instances firm, with mechanically separated turkey steady at best. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were light to moderate. The trade sentiment on thigh meat was fully steady to instances firm. Demand was slow to moderate with offerings tight. The market tone on white meat items was steady to barely steady, with fresh tom breast meat weak. Demand was light to moderate while offerings were adequate to fully adequate. For domestic: fresh tom full-cut wings 71-73, fresh scapula meat 106, fresh tom necks 35-39, fresh tails 30, frozen hearts 27 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom breast meat 152-154, fresh thigh meat 115, fresh tom drums 56, frozen drumettes 46, frozen turkey fries 110 cents delivered port or border.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
					WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	179.00		179.00	5	156.33	15
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	56.00		56.00	80	56.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	56.00-58.00		57.00	240	55.57	840
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	53.00	18		
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	74.00		74.00	80	73.05	274
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	72.00	12		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	72.00	14	72.00	54
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	99.00-110.00		104.67	120	104.67	120
NECKS, TOM	40.50		40.50	40	37.63	160
NECKS, HEN		F	38.00	20		
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	148.00		148.00	80	148.33	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	142.00-152.00		148.57	280	150.63	320
THIGH MEAT		R	116.52	77	116.02	236
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	117.00	40	117.42	43
BREAST TRIM MEAT	119.00		119.00	40	120.86	56
SCAPULA MEAT		T	103.00	20	103.66	59
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	105.50	80	105.50	80
TENDERLOINS		F	131.00	12		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	135.00	40		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	142.00	16	142.00	16
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00-21.00		18.20	200	18.43	280
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.50-21.00		19.51	335	19.76	763

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	57.50	40	57.50	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		W	33.00	80	33.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	40	19.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN						

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