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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 barely steady. Demand light to moderate, instances good for current and deferred shipments. Offerings light to moderate. Frozen basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 85.00-95.00 cents shipping point and toms 85.00-95.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries. No trading reported.



The market on tom breast meat is steady to barely steady at best with the balance of white meat steady. White meat demand is extremely light to light on tom breast meat and light to moderate on the balance of items. Offerings light to moderate with fresh tom breast meat the most available. The market on institutional sized breasts is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate for the extremely light offerings. The market on tom drums is steady, tom necks and tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady, tom full-cut wings is steady to weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Demand on tom bulk parts light to moderate with tom drums the most active. Offerings of tom drums light to moderate, tom necks and tom 2-joint wings moderate and tom full-cut wings moderate to heavy. The market on thigh meat is steady. Demand light to moderate for the light offerings. The market on mechanically separated turkey is steady to weak, generally steady to barely steady. Demand light. Offerings light to mostly moderate. Trading light to moderate with activity centered on fresh tom drums and fresh mechanically separated turkey.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading, demand and 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#	110-120
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	92-93
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	92-93
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	95-108

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 08-Jan-11 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
Head	1,723	2,460	8	7	4,198
Avg Wt	16.49	40.73	27.94	28.33	30.74
Last week	1,452	1,968	19	13	3,452
Same wk yr ago	1,723	2,508	17	1	4,249
Avg Wt	17.09	39.90	25.98	67.47	30.60
To-date/2011*	1,723	2,460	8	7	4,198
To-date/2010*	1,723	2,508	17	1	4,249
% Change YTD	0%	-2%	-53%	600%	-1%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	22,735	80,165	172	153	103,225
Last week	19,287	65,326	377	256	85,246
Same wk yr ago	23,557	80,055	340	52	104,004
To-date/2011*	22,735	80,165	172	153	103,225
To-date/2010*	23,557	80,055	340	52	104,004
% Change YTD	-3%	0%	-49%	194%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 17-JAN-2011

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	109.01	68,000
16-24 lbs.	109.00	25,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	2,500
16-24 lbs.	--	2,500

Total Volume:		98,000

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old	Total	Turkeys
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breeders		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand head-		Live wt
North East	621	32	26.74	(A)	623	26.74
South Atlantic	410	7	41.99	(A)	412	41.99
North Central	2,148	15	33.77	(A)	2,149	33.77
South Central	779	30	19.31	(A)	780	19.31
West	233	94	31.92	(A)	234	31.92
U.S. total	4,191(B)	22	30.74	7	4,198	30.74
To-date						
2011*	4,191(B)			7	4,198	
To-date						
2010*	4,248(B)			1	4,249	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 8,000; for the current year to date* 08,000; for last year to date* 17,000.

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

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 January 14, 2011 -

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

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	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)	86.81	1,780	85.50	60	68.50	--
16-24 lb. (Toms)	86.78	1,044	85.71	70	68.50	--

December Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
97.90	106.05	83.79
97.15	105.44	83.88

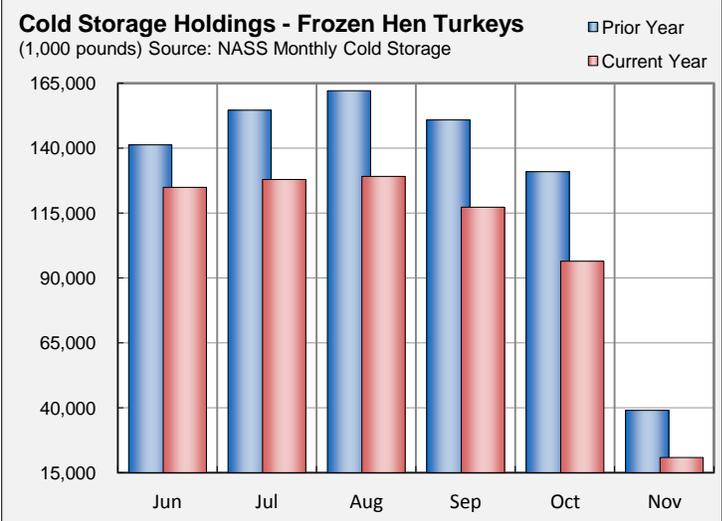
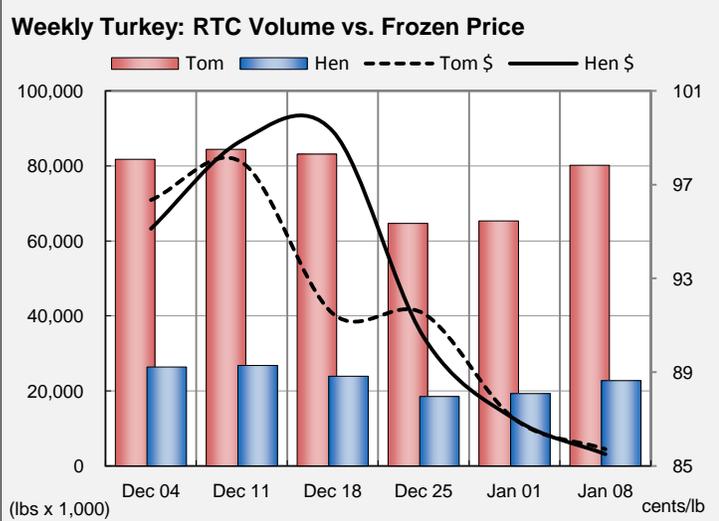
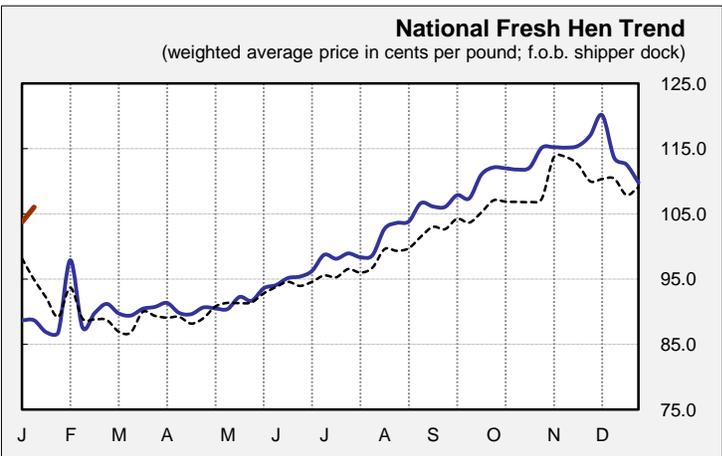
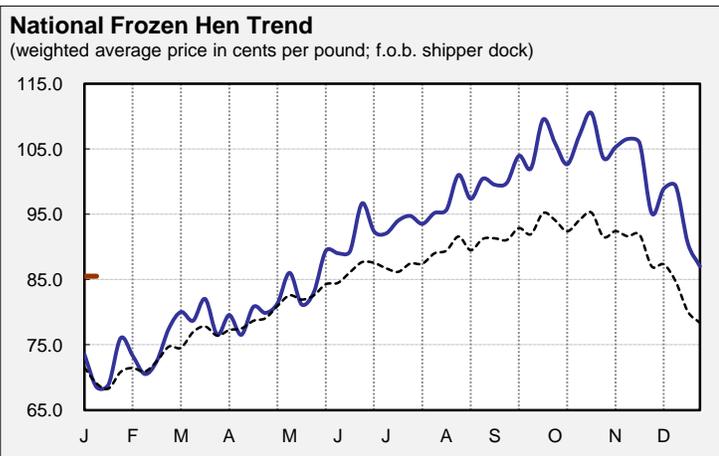
Fresh Whole Body Trading - Week Ending January 13, 2011 -

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

U.S. Grade A - FRESH	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.)
Priced At Time Of Sale:						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	106.01	68	103.73	17.9	86.83	57.5
16-24 lb. (Toms)	106.00	25	--	--	86.00	5.0
Price To Be Determined:						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	2.5	--	2.5	--	5.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	2.5	--	2.5	--	5.0

December Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
113.04	115.28	104.76
113.50	115.26	105.02
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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 13 JANUARY 2011.

The market on tom full-cut wings is steady to weak with the balance of bulk parts steady. Demand is light. Offerings of tom full-cut wings are moderate to heavy with the remainder of bulk parts light to moderate. Fresh tom breast meat market is steady to instances weak, other white meat items are mostly steady. Demand is light while offerings are light to moderate. The market on thigh meat is steady. Demand ranges light to moderate. Offerings are limited. Market activity is slow to instances moderate into domestic and export channels. For domestic: fresh wing meat 158, frozen mature hen thigh meat 129 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	125.00		125.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	139.00-179.00		148.68	16
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	112.00		112.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	76.00		76.00	3
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		W	73.20	100
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	72.00	4
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	70.00-72.00		70.07	83
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	72.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	89.77	111
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	121.00	2
NECKS, TOM	47.00		47.00	3
NECKS, HEN		W	43.00	4
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	260.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	247.00	40
THIGH MEAT	132.00		132.00	10
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	131.32	118
BREAST TRIM MEAT	205.00-206.00		205.60	200
SCAPULA MEAT		W	196.18	22
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	157.00	80
TENDERLOINS		M	222.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	252.00		252.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	20.97	650
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	73.00-75.00		74.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	71.00		71.00	312
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	84.00	120
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	131.00	80

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 14 JANUARY 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady with tom full-cut wings steady to weak. Demand was light. Offerings light to moderate with tom full-cut wings mixed ranging from light to heavy, mostly moderate. Fresh tom breast meat market is steady to instances weak, other white meat items are mostly steady. Inquiry was light. Offerings light to moderate. Thigh meat market was steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings are mixed but remain mostly limited. Market activity is slow, instances moderate. For domestic: Basted grade A breast 10-12 lb. 170 cents; 12-14 lb. 170 cents; 14-16 lb. 175 cents; 16-18 lb. 185 cents; fresh full-cut wings 68-70 cents and fresh tails 38 cents. For export: fresh thigh 130 cents delivered to the border.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	
					WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	125.00	40	125.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	148.68	16	155.99	35
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	112.00	40	112.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	76.00		76.00	2	75.72	216
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	71.00-73.00		72.52	500	72.63	600
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	71.00-74.00		73.07	58	72.58	106
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	68.00		68.00	40	70.95	537
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	71.00		71.00	18	71.42	39
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	88.00		88.00	80	89.03	191
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	121.00	2	121.00	2
NECKS, TOM		R	47.00	3	46.13	115
NECKS, HEN	42.00-45.00		43.82	66	43.73	74
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	262.00		262.00	20	262.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	245.00-247.00		245.57	14	246.63	54
THIGH MEAT	132.00		132.00	2	129.78	72
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	130.00-133.00		131.28	196	131.34	334
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	205.60	200	205.50	240
SCAPULA MEAT	194.00-203.00		196.14	56	196.15	78
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	157.00	80		
TENDERLOINS	222.00		222.00	2	222.00	6
DESTRAPPED TENDERS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		R	252.00	40	252.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	40	18.50	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-22.00		19.36	590	19.98	1,482

EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	74.00		74.00	28	74.00	108
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	68.50		68.50	162	70.15	474
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	85.50		85.50	240	85.50	240
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	131.00		131.00	12	131.00	12

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