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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 fully steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate with best interest noted for deferred shipments. 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. Trading very light on frozen basted equivalent hens and toms at 89.00 cents shipping point.



The market on white meat is steady to barely steady, instances weak on fresh tom breast meat. Demand and offerings light to moderate. The market on institutional sized breasts is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings extremely light to light. The market on tom wings and necks is steady to weak, tom drums and tails steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings at least moderate on tom wings and tom necks, light to moderate on the balance of tom bulk parts. The market on thigh meat is steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light. The market on mechanically separated turkey (MST) is steady to barely steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading light on all items.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading demand and offerings light to moderate.

### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	127-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	124-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	124-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	125-155
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	138-155

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	99-128
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	90-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	90-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	92-106

### LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 22-Jan-11 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
Head	1,649	2,465	21	4	4,139
Avg Wt	17.18	41.08	25.42	28.35	31.47
Last week	1,728	2,337	18	2	4,085
Same wk yr ago	1,799	2,586	28	6	4,419
Avg Wt	17.30	40.11	27.98	42.32	30.98
To-date/2011*	5,100	7,262	47	13	12,422
To-date/2010*	5,332	7,604	69	19	13,024
% Change YTD	-4%	-4%	-32%	-32%	-5%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	22,663	81,006	411	87	104,167
Last week	23,505	76,914	356	80	100,855
Same wk yr ago	24,898	82,980	603	196	108,677
To-date/2011*	68,903	238,085	939	320	308,247
To-date/2010*	72,955	242,692	1,456	530	317,633
% Change YTD	-6%	-2%	-36%	-40%	-3%
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 31-JAN-2011

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
<b>PRICED AT TIME OF SALE</b>		
8-16 lbs.	107.09	80,000
16-24 lbs.	106.83	47,000
<b>PRICE TO BE DETERMINED</b>		
8-16 lbs.	--	2,500
16-24 lbs.	--	2,500
Total Volume:		132,000

### NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

	-----Young turkeys-----		Avg	Old Breeders	Total	Turkeys Avg
	Thousand	Pct chg				
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand head-		Live wt
North East	583	2	26.71	(A)	584	26.71
South Atlantic	571	31	38.53	(A)	572	38.53
North Central	2,043	-3	35.66	(A)	2,044	35.66
South Central	757	-1	18.77	(A)	758	18.77
West	181	-13	30.27	(A)	181	30.27
U.S. total	4,135 (B)	1	31.47	4	4,139	31.47
To-date						
2011*	12,409 (B)			13	12,422	
To-date						
2010*	13,005 (B)			19	13,024	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 21,000; for the current year to date\* 47,000; for last year to date\* 69,000.

\*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

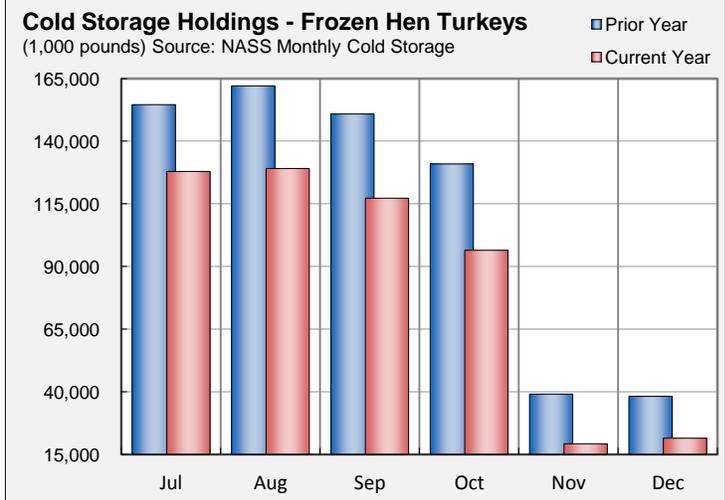
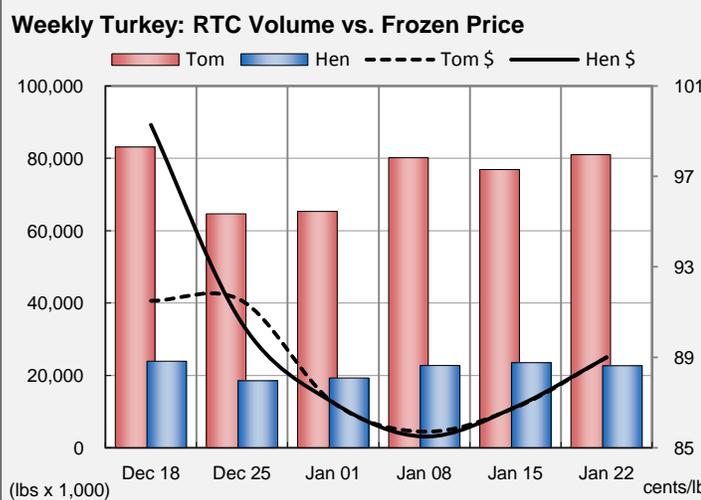
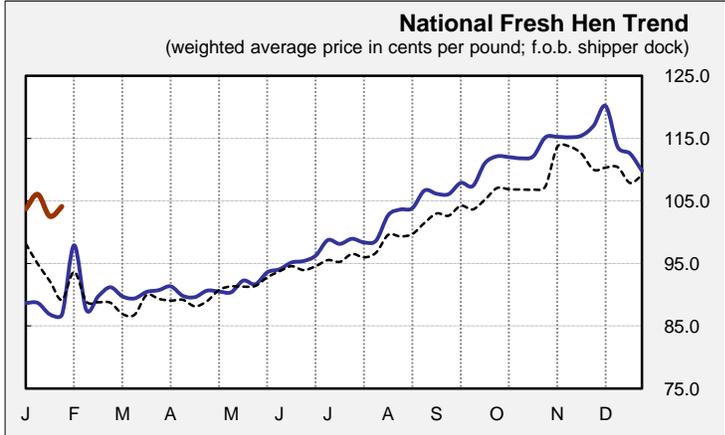
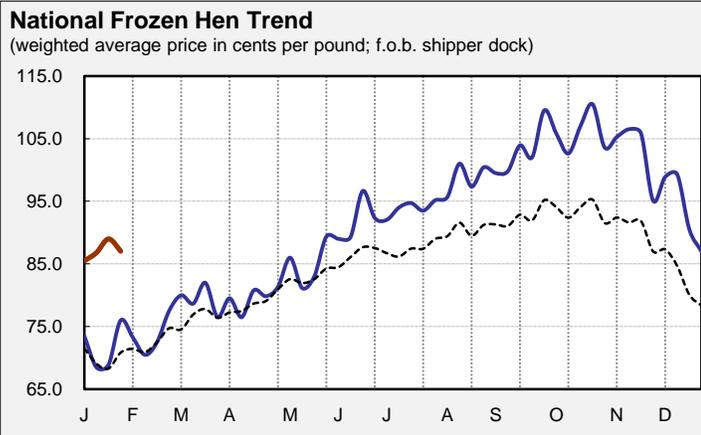
**Frozen Whole Body Trading - Week Ending January 28, 2011 -** (commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots)

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		January Averages		
	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
<b>8-16 lb. (Hens)</b>	87.04	2,015	89.00	20	76.00	80	88.14	97.90	72.71
<b>16-24 lb. (Toms)</b>	87.08	885	89.00	20	72.57	--	88.14	97.15	72.69

**Fresh Whole Body Trading - Week Ending January 27, 2011 -** (with timers; for delivery within the next 7 days)

U.S. Grade A - FRESH	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		January Averages		
	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)	This Month	Last Month	Last Year
<b>Priced At Time Of Sale:</b>									
<b>8-16 lb. (Hens)</b>	104.09	80.0	102.54	79.6	86.83	57.5	104.09	113.04	90.09
<b>16-24 lb. (Toms)</b>	103.83	47.0	103.48	31.0	86.00	5.0	104.25	113.50	84.57
<b>Price To Be Determined:</b>									
<b>8-16 lb. (Hens)</b>	--	2.5	--	2.5	--	5.0	--	--	--
<b>16-24 lb. (Toms)</b>	--	2.5	--	2.5	--	5.0	--	--	--

<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 27 JANUARY 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady with full-cut wings and necks steady to weak. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light to moderate with necks and full-cut wings the most available. The market on fresh tom breast meat steady to barely steady and white meat items steady. Demand on tom breast meat and white meat is light to moderate. Offerings of tom breast meat and white meat was mixed. Trading was slow to moderate, as many buyers and sellers are attending a major poultry convention. For domestic: Grade A breast 16-18 lb. basted 181 cents delivered and fresh hen breast meat 205 cents delivered.

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/		R	151.00	27
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	76.00-77.00		76.31	13
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		W	71.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	72.00		72.00	4
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	62.00-63.00		62.50	8
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	62.00		62.00	4
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	88.00		88.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	120.00		120.00	2
NECKS, TOM	41.00-42.00		41.50	8
NECKS, HEN	40.00		40.00	4
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	263.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	230.00		230.00	40
THIGH MEAT	132.00		132.00	5
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	132.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	199.00-207.00		201.07	108
SCAPULA MEAT		M	199.00	24
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	158.00	20
TENDERLOINS		M	227.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	249.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	250.00		250.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	18.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	17.00-18.00		17.50	160
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	80.01	458
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	59.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	87.14	672
TAILS		F	39.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	132.00	40

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 28 JANUARY 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady with full-cut wings and necks steady to weak. Demand and offerings light to moderate with necks and full-cut wings the most available. The market on fresh tom breast meat steady to barely steady and white meat items steady. Demand on tom breast meat and white meat is light to moderate. Offerings of tom breast meat and white meat was mixed. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: Grade A breast 18-22 lb. basted 192 cents delivered and fresh scapula 196-196.5 cents delivered. For export: Grade A breast 8-10 lb. basted 143 cents, fresh tom drums 70 cents and frozen tom necks 35 cents all delivered to border or port.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	139.00-179.00		152.42	19	152.42	19
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		R	76.31	13	75.51	73
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	71.00		71.00	160	71.53	430
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	72.00	4	72.00	4
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	62.50	8	65.56	108
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	62.00	4	62.00	4
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	88.00	40	88.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	120.00	2	120.00	2
NECKS, TOM	35.00		35.00	80	36.24	98
NECKS, HEN		R	40.00	4	40.00	4
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	253.00		253.00	40	253.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	223.00-233.50		227.02	181	227.93	261
THIGH MEAT	132.00		132.00	40	132.00	145
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	130.00		130.00	40	130.85	208
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	201.07	108	201.41	118
SCAPULA MEAT		M	199.00	24	199.00	24
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	158.00	20	158.00	20
TENDERLOINS		M	227.00	10	227.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	249.00	4	249.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	250.00		250.00	20	250.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	18.00	40		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	17.00-18.00		17.14	140	17.58	380

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	78.00		78.00	54	78.00	54
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	59.00	108	63.43	310
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	86.50-88.50		87.67	360	87.67	360
TAILS		F	39.00	40		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	132.00	40	132.00	40

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