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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on fresh turkeys is steady to weak with prices unchanged to lower. The frozen hen and 16-24 lb. tom market is steady at best. Demand light to sometimes moderate as some buyers continue to satisfy frozen needs from the resale market. Frozen offerings light to moderate. Fresh whole turkey offerings very light with some processors are wrapping up fresh production this week. Frozen basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 107.00-110.00 cents shipping point and 16-24 lb. toms 107.00-110.00 cents shipping point for current deliveries. No trading reported.



The tom breast meat market is steady to instances weak with spot frozen trading selling at lower trending prices, breast trim steady to weak, and the balance of white meat steady at best. The undertone on scapula is steady to weak. Demand light to moderate, mostly light. Offerings light to moderately heavy, mostly light to moderate. The market on tom drums is steady to weak with the balance of tom bulk parts steady. Demand light to moderate, mostly light with some tom full-cut wing buyers taking a wait and see position as they watch for further market developments. Offerings light to moderately heavy, mostly light to moderate with tom drums the most available. Trading light and seasonally slowing as some buyers start preparing for the upcoming holidays.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

No trading reported. The market is steady to weak on tom drums, balance of items steady at best. Demand and offerings light to moderate.

## CALIFORNIA PROCESSED TURKEY

### SAN FRANCISCO

Delivered to Restaurants and Institutions (cents per pound)

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	168-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	154-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	154-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	154-185
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	155-185

### SOUTHERN (LA. AREA)

Delivered to Retailers (cents per pound)

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	132-145
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	132-140
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	112-115
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	112-125
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	119-129

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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 06 December 2011.

The market on most white meat items is steady. However, the undertone on frozen wing meat with skin is steady at best while breast trim and scapula are steady to weak. Demand light to instances moderate with some buyers more interested in destrapped tenderloins than tom breast meat due to the price differential between the two. Offerings of tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins light with some starting to freeze fresh for 2012 cold storage programs. Wing meat offerings are light to moderate, breast trim and scapula offerings moderate to moderately heavy with some aged frozen breast trim offers reported. The market on tom drums is steady to weak, balance of tom bulk parts steady. Demand light to instances moderate with export interest reported on tom drums for deferred shipments. Offerings of tom drums moderate to moderately heavy, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Trading light. For domestic: fresh tom wings 88 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/		F	174.00	20
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/				
Drumsticks, Tom		M	84.00	43
Drumsticks, Tom--Fresh	80.00-82.00		81.20	100
Drumsticks, Hen		W	91.00	80
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom		M	94.00	43
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen		T	86.00	12
Wings, V-Type, Tom	113.00		113.00	40
Wings, V-Type, Hen		T	123.00	2
Necks, Tom		M	56.00	45
Necks, Hen		T	43.00	2
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/				
Breasts, B/S, Tom--Fresh 3/	269.00		269.00	40
Thigh Meat	145.50-147.00		146.25	80
Thigh Meat--Fresh		F	145.57	70
Breast Trim Meat				
Scapula Meat		F	160.00	40
Wing Meat with Skin				
Tenderloins		R	212.00	3
Destrapped Tenders		F	219.28	39
Destrapped Tenders--Fresh		R	240.00	20
Mechanically Separated 4/		R	34.00	80
Mechanically Separated--Fresh 4/	31.50-33.00		32.25	80

**Export Trading**

Drumsticks, Toms		F	83.50	162
Wings Full-Cut - Toms				
Wings, V-Type, Tom				
Tails		F	50.79	188
Mechanically Separated 4/		M	34.68	124
Thigh Meat - Frozen		M	147.00	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.

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Including bulk meat and frozen (unless specified), cents per lb., delivered first receivers, part and full trucklots as of 07 December 2011.

The market on bulk parts was steady with tom drums steady to weak. Demand was light. Offerings light to moderate. The market on white meat items is steady with a weak undertone. Demand was light. Offerings are light to moderate. The thigh meat market is steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh scapula 168-171 cents, fresh full cut wings 89 cents and fresh tom necks 50 cents.

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Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/	130.00		130.00	40
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A--Fresh 2/		F	174.00	20
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/				
Drumsticks, Tom	81.00-82.00		81.33	120
Drumsticks, Tom--Fresh	79.00		79.00	40
Drumsticks, Hen		W	91.00	80
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	94.00		94.00	122
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	86.00		86.00	2
Wings, V-Type, Tom	113.00		113.00	42
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Necks, Tom	56.00		56.00	80
Necks, Hen				
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/	255.00		255.00	40
Breasts, B/S, Tom--Fresh 3/		T	269.00	40
Thigh Meat		T	146.25	80
Thigh Meat--Fresh	147.00		147.00	10
Breast Trim Meat	168.00		168.00	40
Scapula Meat		F	160.00	40
Wing Meat with Skin				
Tenderloins		R	212.00	3
Destrapped Tenders	220.00		220.00	25
Destrapped Tenders--Fresh		R	240.00	20
Mechanically Separated 4/		R	34.00	80
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