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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on frozen hens and 16-24 lb. toms is steady to weak with offering prices unchanged to lower. Demand very light to light. Frozen whole turkey offerings mostly moderate. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent offering prices on a national basis for hens 100.00-109.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 100.00-108.00 cents fob for current shipments. Trading very light on frozen basted equivalent hens at 109 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 108 cents fob. Fresh hen trading light for December shipments at 131 cents fob.



The market on tom breast meat and tenderloins is steady to weak with offering prices unchanged to lower, balance of white meat generally steady. The market on 4-8 lb. breasts is steady to weak as offering prices continue to trend lower. The institutional sized breast market is steady with a steady to weak undertone. Demand light for the moderate offerings. The market on tom wings and necks is steady to weak, mostly steady; tom drums steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light to moderately heavy, mostly light to moderate. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading light.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate, mostly light. Some frozen Grade A basted equivalent hens and toms traded at 97.2-99.25 cents fob for current shipments. The market is generally steady with some weakness found on whole turkeys. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light to moderate, instances moderately heavy as some move excess whole turkey inventories into export channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 24-Nov-12 (Preliminary)

	Young		Young Breeders	Old	Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms			
Head	933	1,648	35	0	2,616
Avg Wt	15.97	40.54	25.13	0.00	31.57
Last week	2,118	2,898	29	0	5,045
Same wk yr ago	1,052	1,494	8	5	2,559
Avg Wt	16.02	40.35	28.52	33.89	30.30
To-date/2012*	86,563	122,103	1,294	338	210,298
To-date/2011*	88,047	121,270	1,043	363	210,723
% Change YTD	-2%	1%	24%	-7%	0%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	11,920	53,448	668	0	66,036
Last week	28,601	89,189	553	0	118,343
Same wk yr ago	13,484	48,228	175	130	62,017
To-date/2012*	1,172,824	3,879,111	25,605	8,438	5,086,278
To-date/2011*	1,200,158	3,752,108	22,994	8,608	4,983,868
% Change YTD	-2%	3%	11%	-2%	2%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.0%	76.0%	

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

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 24-Nov-12 (Preliminary)	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total Turkeys	
	Thousand Head	Pct chg	Avg Live wt		-Thousand head-	Live wt
North East	331	-62	27.13	(A)	331	27.13
South Atlantic	425	-41	38.00	(A)	425	38.00
North Central	1,344	-42	32.27	(A)	1,344	32.27
South Central	354	-52	18.79	(A)	354	18.79
West	127	-66	34.84	(A)	127	34.84
U.S. total	2,581 (B)	-49	31.57	0	2,581	31.57
To-date						
2012*	208,666 (B)			338	209,004	
To-date						
2011*	210,360 (B)			363	210,723	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 35,000; for the current year to date* 1,294,000; for last year to date* 1,043,000.

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CALIFORNIA PROCESSED TURKEY

Effective January 4, 2013, the reports that this information is on will be discontinued. This information will be used on the Weekly National Whole Broiler/Fryer Report.

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	154-189
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	151-189
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	151-189
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	152-189
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	154-189

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	123-150
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	129-150
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	113-116
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	116-130
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	118-130

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 November 30, 2012

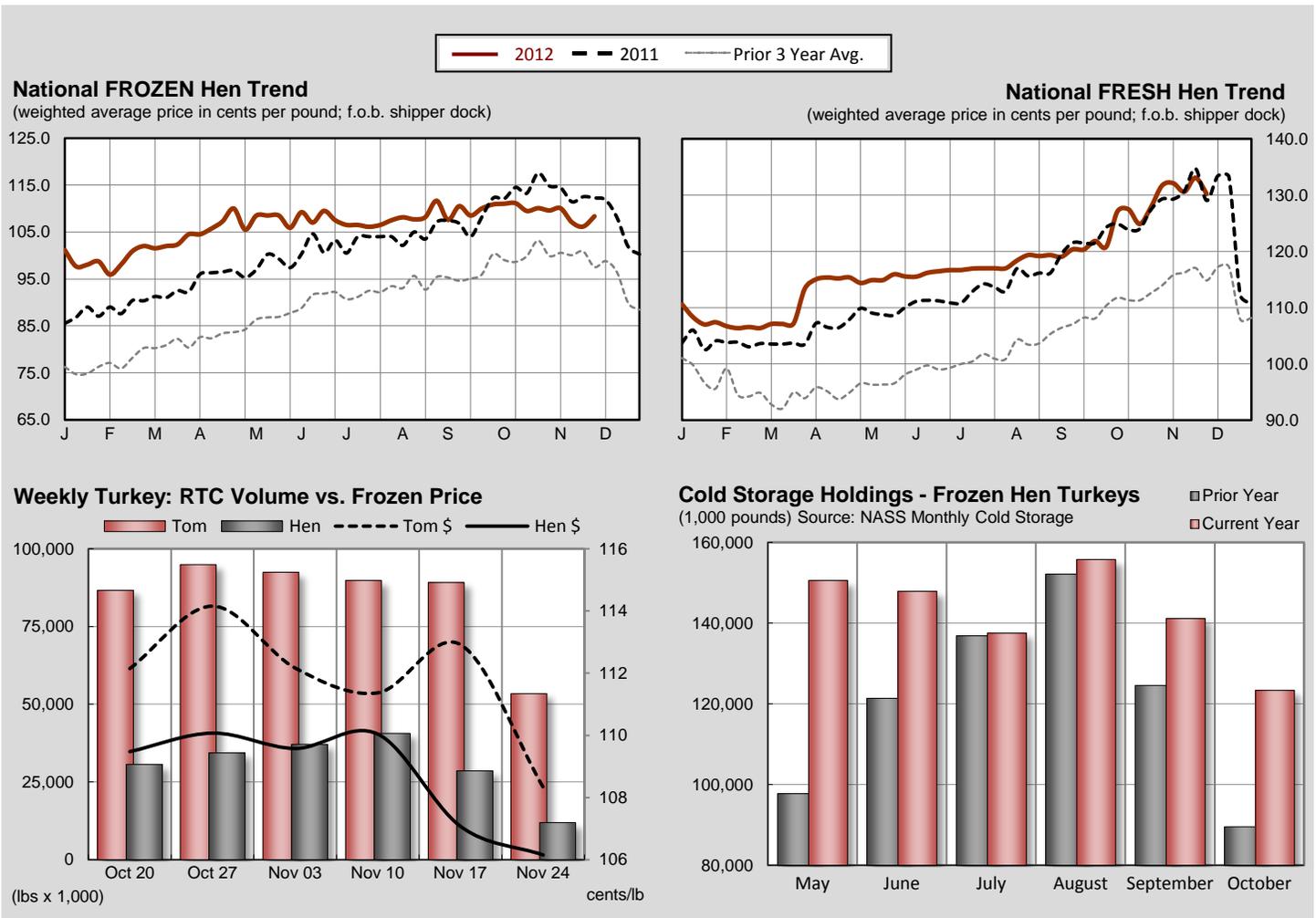
FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		November 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
8-16 lb. (Hens)	108.34	502	106.15	219	112.25	160	108.86	110.27	113.57
16-24 lb. (Toms)	109.80	747	108.52	270	109.71	499	110.46	112.18	113.08

¹ based on offers.

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

U.S. Grade A - FRESH	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		November 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
Priced At Time Of Sale:									
8-16 lb. (Hens)	130.21	95.0	133.10	138.3	129.05	405.0	131.98	131.53	129.32
16-24 lb. (Toms)	131.05	95.0	--	--	129.05	405.0	132.27	131.52	129.48
Price To Be Determined:									
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	5.0	--	--	--	100	--	--	--
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	5.0	--	--	--	100	--	--	--



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

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS

INCLUDING BULK MEAT AND FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 29 NOVEMBER 2012.

The market on bulk parts was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. The market on fresh tom breast meat was steady, with a weak undertone. Demand was light. Offerings moderate. The market on thigh meat was steady, with a firm undertone. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings light. Trading was slow. For domestic: frozen tails 51-53 cents, frozen hen thigh meat 140 cents, fresh mechanically separated turkey 19 cents per food, cents delivered. For export: frozen tom breast meat 200 cents, frozen hen drums 36-37 cents, and fresh tom drums 59 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 A--FRESH 2/		F	204.84	25
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	128.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	61.00-64.00		62.29	14
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	58.00		58.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	43.00-46.00		43.44	125
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	50.00		50.00	2
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	81.00		81.00	25
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	121.00		121.00	11
NECKS, TOM	48.00-49.00		48.72	141
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	180.00	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	205.00		205.00	160
THIGH MEAT	142.00		142.00	145
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	142.00		142.00	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	87.00-89.00		88.00	80
TENDERLOINS	170.00-178.00		173.56	9
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	170.00		170.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	29.00		29.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	31.00		31.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	66.00		66.00	54
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	46.00		46.00	54
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	88.00-93.00		90.11	512
TAILS	51.00		51.00	54
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	29.00-33.00		31.74	254
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	142.00		142.00	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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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		F	204.84	25		
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	128.00	80	128.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	61.00		61.00	16	61.60	30
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	56.00-58.00		57.20	100	57.70	540
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	54.00		54.00	10	54.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	44.00		44.00	4	43.75	181
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	50.00		50.00	16	50.00	17
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	81.00	25	81.00	45
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	121.00	11	120.70	13
NECKS, TOM	47.00-50.00		47.35	64	48.36	225
NECKS, HEN	32.00-33.00		32.23	52	32.23	52
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	180.00	160	180.00	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		R	205.00	160	205.00	160
THIGH MEAT		R	142.00	145	142.00	185
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	140.00-143.75		141.57	53	141.52	213
BREAST TRIM MEAT	92.00		92.00	120	92.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT	105.00-110.00		107.50	80	107.50	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	88.00	80	88.00	80
TENDERLOINS		R	173.56	9	173.56	9
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	170.00	12	170.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	32.00		32.00	40	31.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	32.00-33.00		32.75	240	32.72	360
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	66.00	54	62.42	134
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	46.00	54	46.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	90.11	512	90.11	512
TAILS		R	51.00	54	51.00	54
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	31.74	254	31.74	254
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	140.00		140.00	56	140.83	96

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