



INTERNATIONAL EGG AND POULTRY REVIEW



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Thailand

United States (U.S.) January-November cumulative total turkey meat exports to Thailand since 2002 have been trending higher. However, for the January-November, 2012 time frame turkey meat exports declined 29%. Even though total U.S. turkey meats so far are down for 2012, over the last several years frozen whole turkeys have increased and for the January-November 2012 period are 6% higher than the same time frame in 2011.

Thailand is part of the Southeast Asia Region for U.S. poultry exports. For the January-November 2012 period Thailand is ranked third in the Southeast Asia Region for total turkey meat exports. The Southeast Asia Region ranks fifth out of 14 regions of the world for total turkey meat exports.

U.S. egg product exports have also been generally increasing over the last 10 years to Thailand. However, total egg product exports for the January-November time frame have declined over the last 2 years and so far for 2012 they are down 55% from 2011 for the same time frame. For U.S. egg product exports Thailand currently ranks fourth in Southeast Asia and Southeast Asia ranks fourth in the world. Currently, the U.S. is only exporting limited volumes of broiler meat and other poultry meat to Thailand.

Thailand does not have price supports or export subsidy programs for poultry. Thailand protects its poultry market through the Royal Thai Government's use of non-transparent control import permits, high WTO bound rates of import tariffs (currently 30% for chilled or frozen uncooked meat and 40% for cooked chicken meat) and an import fee on uncooked products.

Even though none of the barriers exist for U.S. turkey meat exports to Thailand, shortly after the Thai Department of Livestock (DLD) strengthened requirements for audits of production systems involving livestock and uncooked meat products from exporting countries, several Thai importers reported that the DLD refused to grant import permits of U.S. turkey meat to Thailand. In response, the USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service conducted discussions and persuaded the DLD to grant "grandfather" status to Thai companies that imported turkey meat from U.S. manufacturers already exporting to Thailand. The grandfather rule enabled businesses to keep exporting until the DLD completes its audits.

Sources: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service; USDA/FAS GAIN Reports TH7093 and TH2136

U.S. Poultry Exports to Thailand January-November Comparisons (Metric Tons)

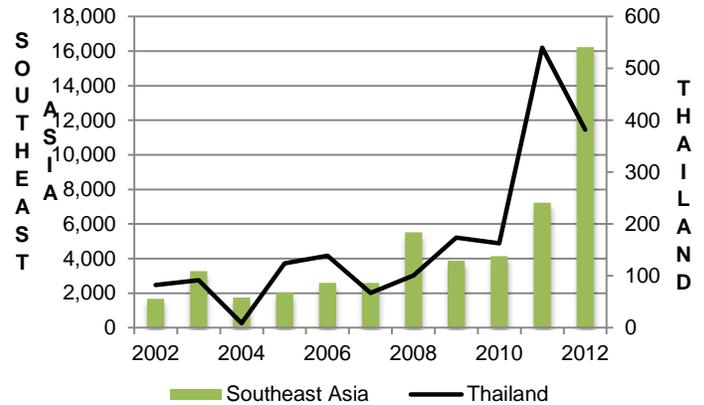
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	%*
Turkey Meat	101	174	163	540	382	
Egg and Egg Products	7	185	496	457	205	
Other Poultry Meat	21	154	1,000**	1	127	
Broiler Meat	504	338	121	181	49	
Total	632	850	1,781	1,179	763	-35

*2012 Versus 2011 Percent Change

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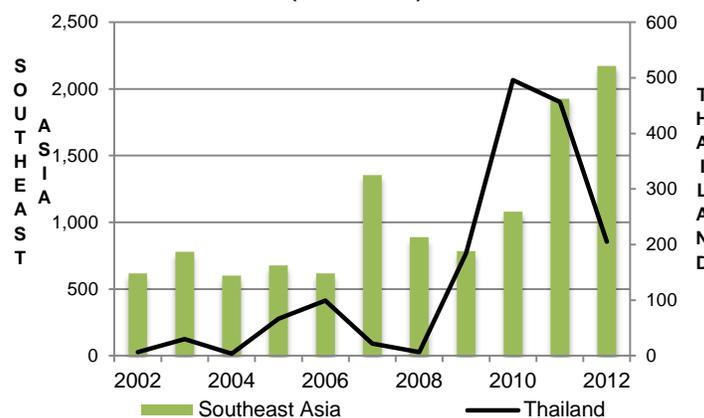
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THAILAND IMPORT STATISTICS COMMODITY: TURKEY MEAT YEAR TO DATE: JANUARY-DECEMBER

PARTNER COUNTRY	U.S. DOLLARS			% SHARE			% CHANGE 2011/2010
	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2010
WORLD	564,970	471,826	1,151,064	100.00	100.00	100.00	143.96
U.S.	498,843	462,785	1,135,712	88.30	98.08	98.67	145.41
FRANCE	7,589	5,443	6,457	1.34	1.15	0.56	18.63
SPAIN	,499	2,083	5,211	0.62	0.44	0.45	150.15
BELGIUM	0	1,515	2,383	0.00	0.32	0.21	57.32
MALAYSIA	0	0	1,302	0.00	0.32	0.21	0.00
CHINA	52,492	0	0	9.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
AUSTRALIA	2,546	0	0	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.00

Source of Data – Thai Custom Department
Source: USDA/FAS GAIN Report TH2136

U.S. Egg Product Exports January-November Comparisons (Metric Tons)



Source: Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Statistics/USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service

INSPECTED EGG PRODUCTS-U.S. & CANADA IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE

U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	0	50	3,597	2,479
Frozen	0	4	1	4
Dried	0	0	423	267
Total	0	54	4,021	2,750

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Liquid	60	60	14,626	14,652
Frozen	0	40	1,187	1,038
Dried	0	0	65	54
Total	60	100	15,878	15,744

INSPECTED SHELL EGGS

U.S Exports to Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

Type	Year-To-Date*			
	2012	2011 /1	2012 /2	2011
Jumbo	0	0	0	0
Extra Large	5,280	3,800	145,313	109,299
Large	10,140	14,235	291,402	222,846
Medium	0	750	34,491	39,773
Ungraded	720	9,960	326,678	238,950
Misc	0	0	4,560	1,440
Total	16,140	28,745	802,444	612,308

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.
 /2 Includes revisions to previous week(s)
 *Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.
 Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

U.S./CANADIAN LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER INSPECTION

Week Ending Dec 29, 2012 (Preliminary)

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,368	1,130	2,498
Last Week	1,910	1,272	3,182
Same week yr ago	1,378	1,371	2,749
To-date/2012*	76,620	81,280	157,900
To-date/2011*	69,328	79,587	148,915

	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total Hens
	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
-----Thousands-----			
Head	100	0	100
Last Week	469	0	469
Same week yr ago	275	11	286
To-date/2012*	14,291	36	14,327
To-date/2011*	16,703	462	17,165

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

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	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	
-----Thousands-----			
Head	1,468	1,130	2,598
Last Week	2,379	1,272	3,651
Same week yr ago	1,653	1,382	3,035
To-date/2012*	90,911	81,316	172,227
To-date/2011*	86,031	80,049	166,080

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

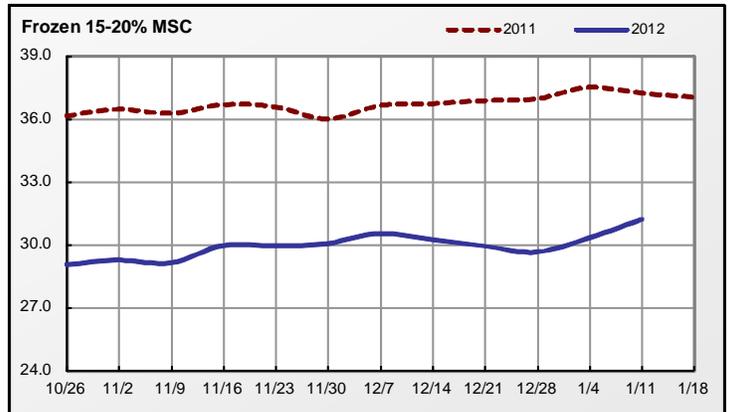
NATIONAL MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

(FOB Shipper Dock or equiv., negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices for MSC are steady to firm on all fat contents. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are normal. Domestic and export demand is moderate with renewed good interest following the holidays as many in industry come back online. New contracts have begun and seem to be going smoothly for most at prices similar to and slightly lower than last year's levels, as well as formula based pricing. Market activity is moderate to more active. Supplies of raw materials are moderate to available. Frames are trading between 11-14 cents FOB, mostly 12-13 cents FOB.

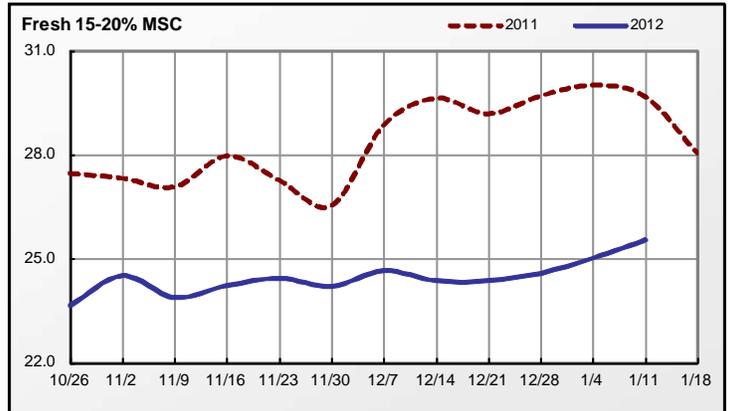
Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	11-Jan-13	Last Week	Last Year	11-Jan-13	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range	30.00	-	-	24.00 - 26.00	24.00 - 26.00	32.00-36.00
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	-	-	25.00	25.14	33.33
Volume Traded	40	-	-	163	143	245
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Price Range	30.00 - 32.00	28.00 - 32.00	34.00-39.00	22.50 - 27.50	22.00 - 27.00	23.00-35.00
Wtd Avg Price	31.22	30.34	37.23	25.55	25.03	29.68
Volume Traded	1,425	855	1,862	4,712	3,417	3,947
Volume Exported	1,185	815	1,622	1,061	530	367
20% or More						
Price Range	-	-	-	20.00	20.00	22.50
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.00	20.00	22.50
Volume Traded	-	-	-	41	82	41
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Annual MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	30.19	28.00	26.07	26.34	26.20	21.96
Volume Traded	640	80	590	7,853	7,490	10,213
Volume Exported	-	-	270	-	-	1,617
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	31.36	28.76	23.82	24.54	24.21	18.61
Volume Traded	94,239	84,242	86,375	209,299	197,033	187,000
Volume Exported	82,427	75,407	75,910	24,701	25,216	28,009
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.19	20.04	18.85
Volume Traded	-	-	-	3,510	4,529	3,834
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-



Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS

INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 11 JANUARY 2013.

The market on bulk parts was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. The market on tom breast meat is not fully tested, with a weak undertone. Demand was light. Offerings of breast meat and tenderloins light to heavy, with the balance of white meat offerings light to moderate. The market on thigh meat was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Trading was slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh tom full-cut wings 42-43 cents, fresh tom neck 45 cents, fresh wing meat 92-93.25 cents, fresh scapula meat 110-114.25, frozen machine defatted gizzards 90 cents, fresh tails 51 cents, frozen livers 27 cents, and frozen hearts 38 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom drums 58 cents, fresh thigh meat 140 cents, frozen tom necks 44 cents delivered to port or Border.

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2013						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	61.00		61.00	40	62.60	134
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	42.00		42.00	270	42.73	596
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	90.00		90.00	180	90.00	180
TAILS		R	53.00	38	53.00	38
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	30.00 138.00-139.0		30.00 138.50	80 80	30.00 138.50	80 160
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2013						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	63.00		63.00	40		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	43.00		43.00	108		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS	53.00		53.00	38		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	138.50	80		
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 09, 2013						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	63.50	54		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	43.50	218		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	138.50	80		
TUESDAY, JANUARY 08, 2013						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	63.50		63.50	54		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	43.00-44.00		43.50	218		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	138.50		138.50	80		
MONDAY, JANUARY 07, 2012						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	61.00	80		
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN						

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R-THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ 15-20% fat with skin added.