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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms is steady. Demand light. Processor offerings of hens and 16-24 lb. toms light to moderate. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 94.00-101.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 92.00-101.00 cents fob for current shipments. No truck-lot trading reported.



The market on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins is steady with a steady to instances firm undertone, wing meat steady; breast trim and scapula steady to firm. Demand on tom breast meat is mostly moderate, fresh destrapped tenderloins moderate to instances good, mostly moderate while frozen is light to moderate. Demand on wing meat is light to moderate while breast trim and scapula are moderate to good. Offerings of tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins light to moderate, balance light. The market on tom bulk parts is steady to firm, mostly steady with tom drums strongest. Demand on tom drums is moderate to good, balance of tom bulk parts demand light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums light, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. The thigh meat market is generally steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light to mostly moderate. The market on mechanically separated turkey is steady. Demand moderate to good.

Offerings light. Trading light to moderate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate. The market is generally steady. Demand and offerings mostly light to moderate.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 11-May-13 (Preliminary)

	Young		Young	Old	Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Breeders		
Head	1,930	2,572	9	0	4,511
Avg Wt	17.52	40.79	26.84	0.00	30.81
Last week	1,839	2,628	19	0	4,486
Same wk yr ago	1,948	2,733	29	18	4,728
Avg Wt	17.02	40.05	27.35	38.90	30.48
To-date/2013*	32,373	47,837	450	228	80,888
To-date/2012*	33,882	47,955	411	134	82,382
% Change YTD	-4%	0%	9%	70%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	27,051	83,930	186	0	111,167
Last week	25,187	84,348	455	0	109,990
Same wk yr ago	26,531	87,559	599	529	115,218
To-date/2013*	443,569	1,558,117	9,265	4,909	2,015,860
To-date/2012*	457,091	1,570,970	8,259	3,526	2,039,846
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	12%	39%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

	W/E 11-May-13 (Preliminary)			Old Breeders	Total Turkeys
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg		
	-----Young turkeys-----				
North East	640	8	26.36	(A)	640 26.36
South Atlantic	640	-15	37.59	(A)	640 37.59
North Central	2,083	1	33.90	(A)	2,083 33.90
South Central	859	7	19.65	(A)	859 19.65
West	280	12	27.36	(A)	280 27.36
U.S. total	4,502 (B)	1	30.81	0	4,502 30.81
To-date					
2013*	80,660 (B)			228	80,888
To-date					
2012*	82,248 (B)			134	82,382

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 9,000; for the current year to date* 450,000; for last year to date* 411,000.

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Weekly National Fresh and Frozen Whole Young Turkeys

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Weighted Average Prices, cents per pound, F.O.B. Shipper Dock Basis - Week Ending May 17, 2013

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	
	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)	97.43	63	97.81	210	108.50 ¹	
16-24 lb. (Toms)	97.53	17	98.00	156	108.33	722

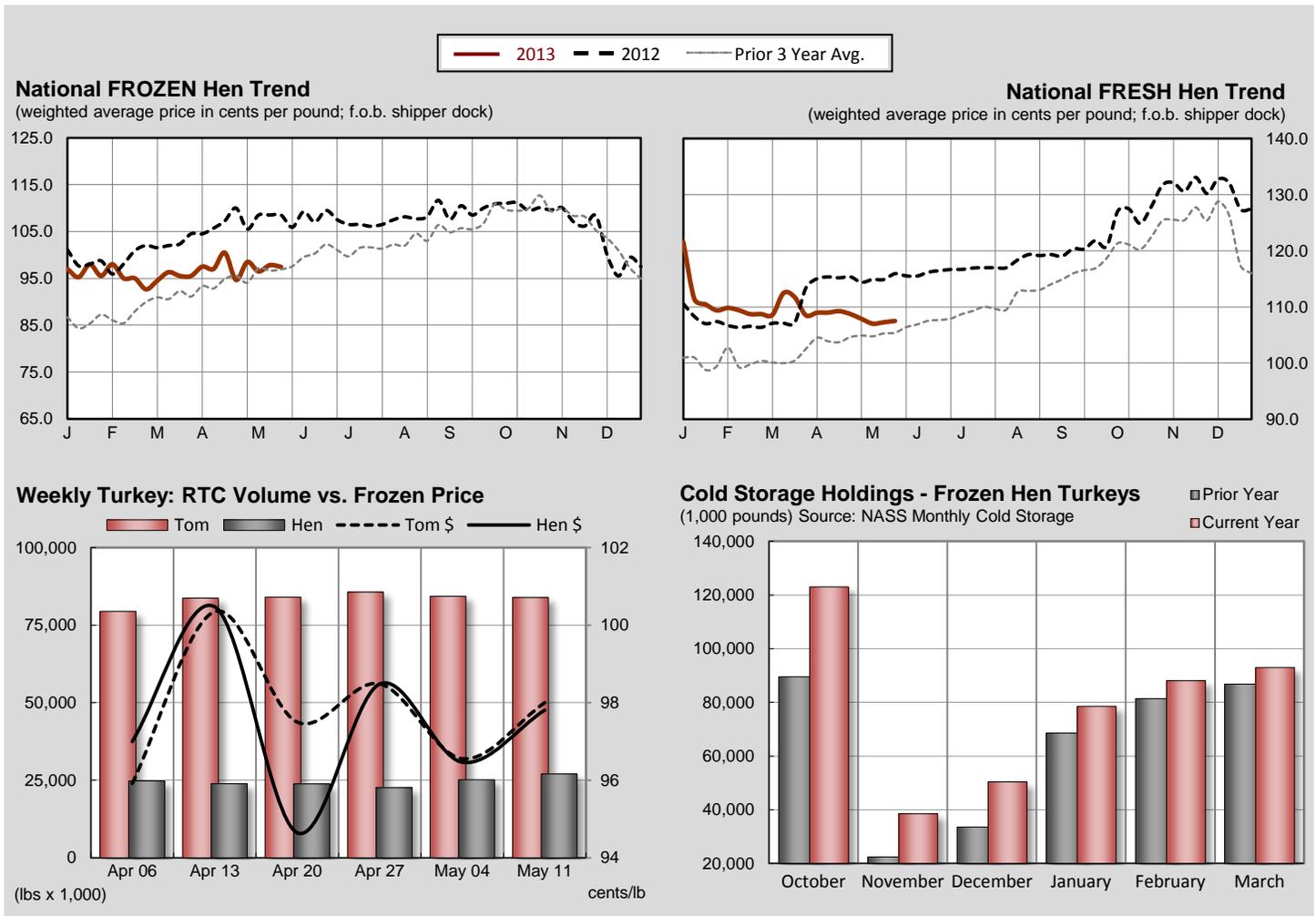
¹ based on offers.

April Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
97.30	96.58	106.89
96.45	96.53	107.69

FRESH Whole Body Turkeys - with timers; for delivery within the next seven 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)	107.52	60.0	107.28	57.0	115.94	130.3
16-24 lb. (Toms)	106.17	48.0	106.17	48.0	116.00	30.0
Price To Be Determined:						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	2.0	--	2.0	--	2.5
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	2.0	--	2.0	--	2.5

April Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
108.74	111.05	115.21
107.86	112.00	115.33
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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 16 MAY 2013.

The market on bulk parts was steady, instances firm on drums, full cut wings and necks. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Tom breast meat, destrapped tenderloins and wing meat market is steady, with breast trim and scapula steady to firm. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. The market on thigh meat was steady. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Trading for parts was slow to moderate and best into export channels. For domestic: fresh and frozen tails 55 cents, fresh mechanically separated turkey 22-24 cents for pet food and fresh whole tenders 146 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/	151.00-189.00		168.25	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	118.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	67.00		67.00	18
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	64.00-65.00		64.05	42
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	59.00	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	44.00		44.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	53.00	7
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	74.00	25
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	118.00	2
NECKS, TOM	42.00		42.00	20
NECKS, HEN		M	33.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	152.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	151.00		151.00	40
THIGH MEAT		W	109.00	8
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	117.00	14
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	108.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	119.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
TENDERLOINS		R	146.00	2
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	146.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	152.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	33.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	35.00		35.00	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	65.00-67.00		66.60	270
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	45.50	216
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	75.00		75.00	420
TAILS	57.00		57.00	162
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	106.00	648

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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DOMESTIC TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T 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/		R	168.25	40	168.25	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	66.00-67.00		66.90	177	67.95	402
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	63.00-66.00		65.12	162	64.29	364
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	60.00		60.00	27	60.00	27
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	43.00-44.00		43.25	160	42.84	726
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	53.00	7	53.00	7
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	74.00	25	74.00	25
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	118.00	2	118.00	2
NECKS, TOM	38.00-42.00		40.00	142	40.89	336
NECKS, HEN	36.00		36.00	27	34.21	67
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	152.00	40	152.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		R	151.00	40	154.49	246
THIGH MEAT	107.00-109.00		107.40	100	108.06	128
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	115.00-117.00		115.74	170	116.21	238
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	108.00	40		
SCAPULA MEAT		F	119.00	40		
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	146.00	40		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	148.00		148.00	69	148.00	69
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	33.50	40	34.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	34.00-39.00		36.11	541	35.92	741

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	69.00		69.00	216	67.67	486
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	34.00		34.00	240	39.45	456
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	77.00		77.00	240	75.73	660
TAILS	55.00		55.00	40	56.60	202
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