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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 with a steady to firm undertone. Demand light to instances moderate. Processor offerings of hens and 16-24 lb. toms light with holding inventories with more confidence. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 95.00-101.00 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 is steady with a steady to sometimes firm undertone, destrapped tenderloins and wing meat is steady, breast trim and scapula is steady to firm. Demand moderate on breast meat, destrapped tenderloins and wing meat. Demand on breast trim and scapula moderate to good. Offerings light on breast trim and scapula, balance light to moderate. The market on tom drums is steady to firm, balance of tom bulk parts steady. Demand moderate to good on tom drums with the balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Offerings light on tom drums and light to moderate on the balance of tom bulk parts. The market on thigh meat is steady. Demand moderate for the light to moderate offerings. The mechanically separated turkey (MST) market is steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of MST light to moderate. Trading moderately heavy on fresh MST, balance light.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading on tom 2-joint wings moderate, balance light. The market on tom drums and frozen tom breast meat is steady with a steady to firm undertone, balance of items steady. Demand light to moderate, instances good. Offerings light to moderate.

### LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 01-June-13 (Preliminary)

	Young		Young Breeders	Old	Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms			
Head	1,574	2,036	25	0	3,635
Avg Wt	17.83	40.23	26.25	0.00	30.43
Last week	1,861	2,550	39	17	4,467
Same wk yr ago	1,631	2,142	9	2	3,784
Avg Wt	17.23	40.57	25.16	58.31	30.48
To-date/2013*	37,600	54,866	527	248	93,241
To-date/2012*	39,441	55,057	460	155	95,113
% Change YTD	-5%	0%	15%	60%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	22,452	65,527	505	0	88,484
Last week	25,801	82,130	820	400	109,151
Same wk yr ago	22,484	69,513	171	88	92,256
To-date/2013*	516,552	1,785,240	10,907	5,370	2,318,069
To-date/2012*	532,456	1,801,125	9,254	4,045	2,346,880
% Change YTD	-3%	-1%	18%	33%	-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 01-June-13 (Preliminary)

	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Total Turkeys	
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg		Breeders	Avg
North East	489	-18	25.28	(A)	489	25.28
South Atlantic	457	-26	36.68	(A)	457	36.68
North Central	1,755	-19	33.18	(A)	1,755	33.18
South Central	688	-7	19.41	(A)	688	19.41
West	221	-22	31.8	(A)	221	31.80
U.S. total	3,610 (B)	-18	30.43	0	3,610	30.43
To-date						
2013*	92,993 (B)				248	93,241
To-date						
2012*	94,958 (B)				155	95,113

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 25,000; for the current year to date\* 527,000; for last year to date\* 460,000.

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

**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 June 07, 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)	98.00 <sup>1</sup>		97.76	19	107.00	20
16-24 lb. (Toms)	99.80	10	96.59	11	108.00	25

<sup>1</sup> based on offers.

May Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
97.59	97.30	107.77
96.88	96.45	108.86

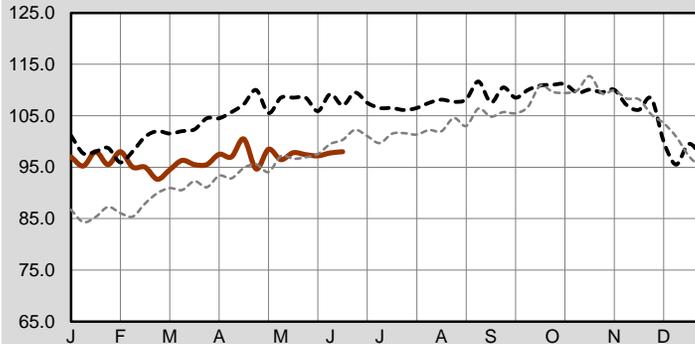
**FRESH Whole Body Turkeys** - with timers; for delivery within the next seven days.

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.)
<b>Priced At Time Of Sale:</b>						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	111.34	130.5	110.43	53.0	116.21	118.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	109.20	59.0	109.73	44.0	115.08	60.0
<b>Price To Be Determined:</b>						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	2.0	--	2.0	--	2.5
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	2.0	--	2.0	--	2.5

May Averages		
This Month	Last Month	Last Year
108.97	108.74	115.38
106.83	107.86	114.30
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**National FROZEN Hen Trend**

(weighted average price in cents per pound; f.o.b. shipper dock)

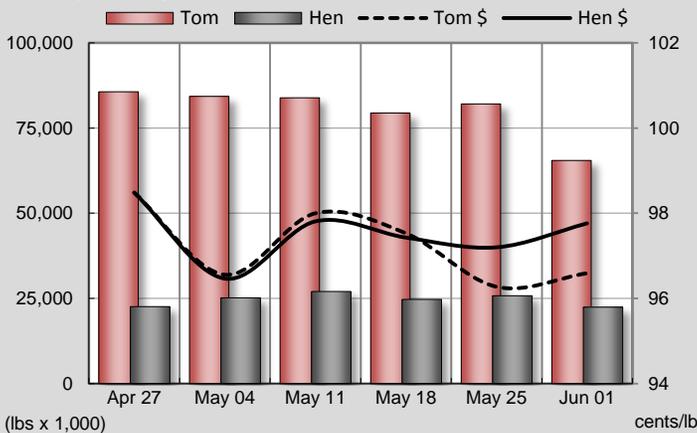


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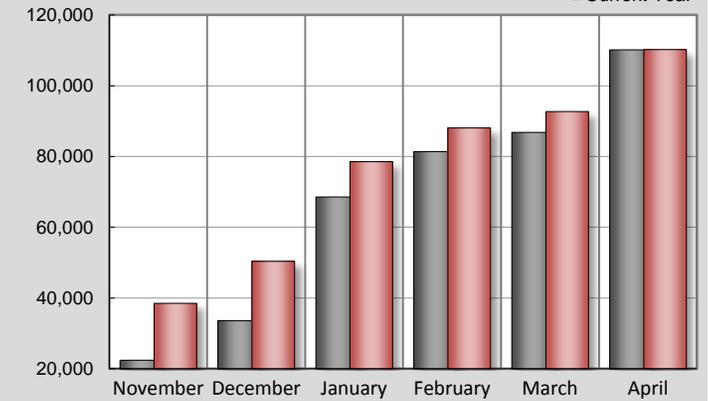


**Weekly Turkey: RTC Volume vs. Frozen Price**



**Cold Storage Holdings - Frozen Hen Turkeys**

(1,000 pounds) Source: NASS Monthly Cold Storage



**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**

INCLUDING BULK MEAT AND FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 6 JUNE 2013.

The market on bulk parts was steady instances firm. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Tom breast meat market is steady, with the balance of white meat steady to firm. Demand was moderate to good. Offerings light to moderate with breast trim and scapula in the best position. Thigh meat and mechanically separated market was mixed. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading for parts was slow. For domestic: fresh whole tenders 148 cents, grade A breast non basted 10-12 lbs. 135 cents and 12-14 lbs. 135 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	127.50		127.50	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	159.00-189.00		171.33	30
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	117.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	69.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	65.00-67.00		65.26	46
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	59.00-62.00		60.88	26
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	44.00		44.00	50
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	53.00		53.00	4
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	75.00	8
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	119.00		119.00	1
NECKS, TOM	41.00		41.00	162
NECKS, HEN	37.00		37.00	4
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	152.00	24
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	153.00-157.00		154.42	480
THIGH MEAT		T	108.00	4
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	116.21	132
BREAST TRIM MEAT	111.00		111.00	4
SCAPULA MEAT	124.00		124.00	2
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	86.00	40
TENDERLOINS		T	146.00	4
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		R	148.00	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	37.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	35.00		35.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	70.00	216
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	79.00	324
TAILS		R	56.00	48
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	108.00	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 7 JUNE 2013.

The market on bulk parts was steady instances firm. Demand and offerings was light to moderate. Tom breast meat market is steady, with the balance of white meat steady to firm. Demand ranged from light to good. Offerings light to moderate with breast trim and scapula in the best position. Thigh meat and mechanically separated market was mixed. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading for parts was slow. For domestic: fresh wing meat 90 cents, frozen tails 57 cents, frozen mechanically separated turkey 29 cents pet food, fresh scapula 124.75 cents, grade A breast non basted 8-10 lbs. 132 cents and 12-14 lbs. 137 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom drums 65-66 cents and frozen scapula 121 cents delivered to port or border.

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/		R	127.50	40	124.13	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	171.33	30	171.60	50
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	117.00	20	117.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	68.00-69.00		68.67	75	68.97	175
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	65.00-67.00		65.80	200	65.70	246
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	60.88	26	61.61	68
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	44.00		44.00	50	44.00	100
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	53.00	4	49.19	84
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	75.00	8		
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	119.00	1	119.00	1
NECKS, TOM	39.00-41.00		40.00	160	40.07	604
NECKS, HEN		R	37.00	4	37.00	19
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	152.00		152.00	10	152.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		R	154.42	480	154.47	578
THIGH MEAT	108.00		108.00	20	108.00	24
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	116.00-117.00		116.63	169	116.63	169
BREAST TRIM MEAT	111.00		111.00	20	111.00	24
SCAPULA MEAT	128.00		128.00	40	126.62	122
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	86.00	40		
TENDERLOINS	146.00		146.00	40	146.00	44
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	146.00		146.00	20	146.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	148.00		148.00	40	148.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	36.00		36.00	40	36.50	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	34.00-37.50		35.45	640	35.66	1,040

## EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS						
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	75.00-76.50		75.56	432	77.04	756
TAILS	56.00-56.50		56.25	80	56.25	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	107.00		107.00	40	107.50	80

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