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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms is steady with a steady to firm undertone on 2013 production. The fresh market is steady to firm for current and deferred shipments. Frozen demand light. Fresh demand light to moderate. Fresh offerings light for November. Frozen processor offerings of hens and 16-24 lb. toms light to moderate from 2013 production. Frozen resale offers from older production light to moderate. No frozen trading reported. Firm priced fresh trading heavy on hens and 16-24 lb. toms at 126-129 cents fob for November shipments.



The market on white meat and trims is steady to firm with prices unchanged to higher. Demand moderate to mostly good. Offerings light. Buyer interest is readily absorbing any additional supplies. Further processed demand good. The market on tom 2-joint wings is steady to weak, tom full-cut wings steady to firm, balance of tom bulk parts steady. Demand light to mostly moderate. Offerings of tom bulk parts light to moderate with tom 2-joint wings at least moderate and the most available. The thigh meat market is steady to firm with fresh strongest. Demand on fresh thigh meat moderate to good, frozen generally moderate. Offerings very light to light. The mechanically separated turkey market is steady at best with some spot weakness found. Demand light to moderate. Offerings moderate. Trading moderately heavy on tom breast meat, balance light to moderate.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light to moderate. The market is steady to sometimes weak on tom 2-joint wings; steady to firm on white meat, thigh meat ad tom full-cut wings; balance of items steady. Demand light to mostly moderate. Offerings at least moderate on tom 2-joint wings, balance mostly light.

	W/E 03-Aug-13 (Preliminary)		Total		
	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old Turkeys	
Head	2,384	2,273	13	0	4,670
Avg Wt	17.59	40.95	26.68	0.00	28.99
Last week	2,065	2,651	24	0	4,740
Same wk yr ago	1,878	2,729	43	20	4,670
Avg Wt	16.30	37.42	26.43	32.31	28.80
To-date/2013*	54,874	77,637	701	260	133,472
To-date/2012*	55,892	78,921	700	229	135,742
% Change YTD	-2%	-2%	0%	14%	-2%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	33,548	74,463	267	0	108,278
Last week	28,447	83,560	559	0	112,566
Same wk yr ago	24,487	81,696	858	488	107,529
To-date/2013*	758,709	2,514,558	14,573	5,640	3,293,480
To-date/2012*	751,848	2,550,222	14,035	5,869	3,321,974
% Change YTD	1%	-1%	4%	-4%	-1%
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	77.0%	77.0%	

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

	W/E 03-Aug-13 (Preliminary)			Total Turkeys	
	-----Young turkeys-----			Old Breeders	Avg
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg		
North East	535	-17	26.37	(A)	535 26.37
South Atlantic	727	-1	32.30	(A)	727 32.30
North Central	2,190	1	31.58	(A)	2,190 31.58
South Central	917	2	18.86	(A)	917 18.86
West	301	1	26.09	(A)	301 26.09
U.S. total	4,670 (B)	-1	28.99	0	4,670 28.99
To-date					
2013*	133,212 (B)			260	133,472
To-date					
2012*	135,513 (B)			229	135,742

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 13,000; for the current year to date 701,000; for last year to date 700,000.

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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 August 09, 2013

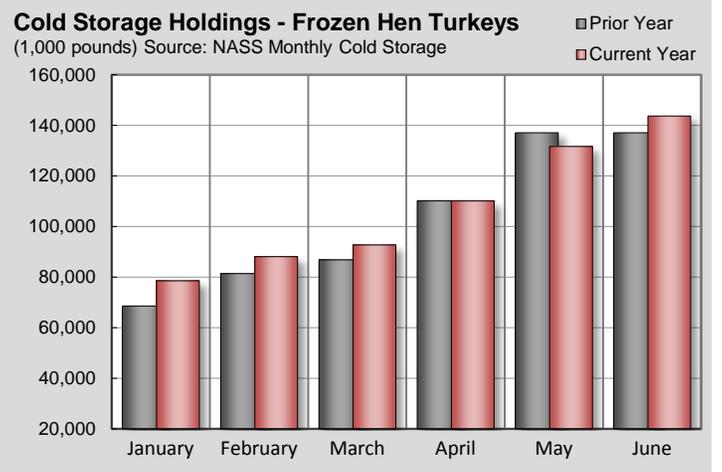
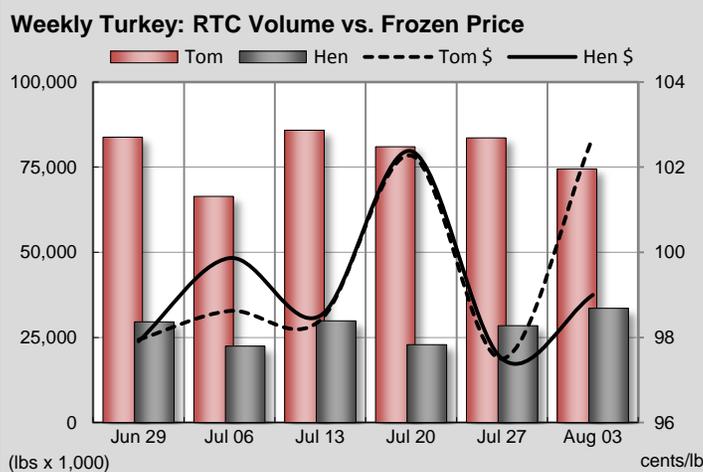
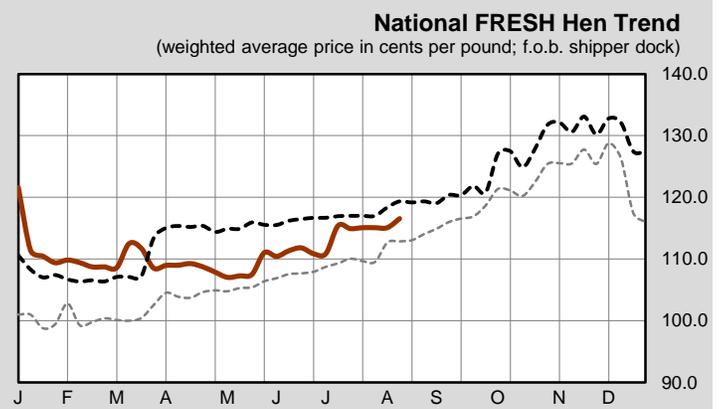
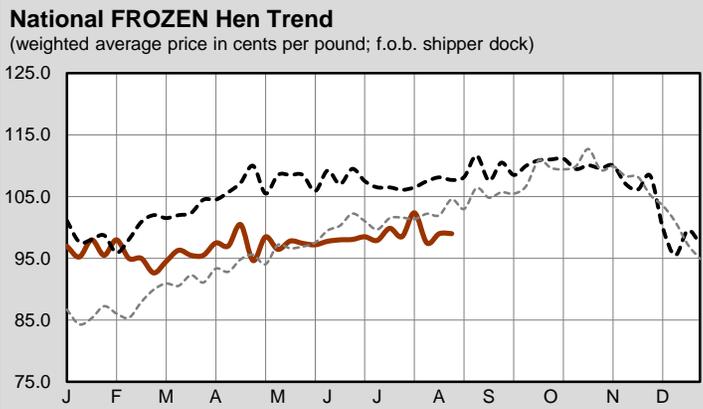
**FROZEN Whole Body Turkeys** - commodity pack or equivalent; minimum 10,000 lb lots; current negotiation for delivery within two weeks.

U.S. Grade A - FROZEN	Current Week		Last Week		Last Year		July 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)	99.00 <sup>1</sup>		99.00 <sup>1</sup>		107.70 <sup>1</sup>		99.09	98.18	106.43
16-24 lb. (Toms)	98.78	59	102.70	20	110.00	40	98.20	97.11	106.96

<sup>1</sup> 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		July 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
<b>Priced At Time Of Sale:</b>									
8-16 lb. (Hens)	116.56	126.4	115.09	125.0	119.35	112.5	115.12	111.21	116.99
16-24 lb. (Toms)	112.67	30.0	112.76	79.0	118.25	56.0	113.06	109.85	115.33
<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	--	--	--



**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**

INCLUDING BULK MEAT AND FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 8 AUGUST 2013.

The market on white meat is steady to firm. Demand moderate to good. Offerings light. The 4-8 lb. breast market is steady with a steady to firm undertone. Demand light to moderate, mostly light. Offerings light. The market on tom 2-joint wings is steady to weak, tom full-cut wings steady to firm, balance of tom bulk parts steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of tom 2-joint wings moderate to moderately heavy, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Trading light. For domestic (fresh): strap-in tenderloins 152, tom full-cut wings 44-46, tom necks 37, fresh tails 56 and frozen tails 54 cents delivered. For export: frozen scapula 135 and frozen tom breast meat 170 cents delivered, frozen destrapped tenderloins 154 cents fob.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	125.00		125.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	162.00-175.00		163.44	45
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	75.00		75.00	10
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	71.00		71.00	42
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	72.00	5
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		W	49.00	6
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		M	53.00	2
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	66.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	117.36	13
NECKS, TOM	43.00		43.00	20
NECKS, HEN		M	35.00	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	168.00	5
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	187.00-190.00		187.82	110
THIGH MEAT		W	109.38	32
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	117.00		117.00	24
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		T	138.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	94.00	40
TENDERLOINS	155.00		155.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	154.67	90
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		T	158.00	30
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	38.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	35.00-37.00		36.00	120

**EXPORT TRADING**

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	76.50	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	48.80	540
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	60.00	324
TAILS		F	55.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	109.00		109.00	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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**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	125.00	40	127.37	51
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	163.44	45	163.44	45
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	73.00-75.00		74.25	320	74.39	394
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	69.00-75.00		70.15	236	70.25	478
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	75.00		75.00	10	75.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	50.00-51.00		50.98	82	48.72	293
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	55.00		55.00	6	54.46	8
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	66.00	40	66.92	74
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	118.00		118.00	1	117.41	14
NECKS, TOM	39.00-42.00		39.94	322	40.14	533
NECKS, HEN	37.00		37.00	6	35.10	126
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	175.00		175.00	200	174.83	205
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	185.00-199.00		190.47	600	190.21	828
THIGH MEAT		W	109.38	32	109.32	37
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	116.00-119.00		117.41	153	117.52	237
BREAST TRIM MEAT						
SCAPULA MEAT	133.00		133.00	40	135.84	125
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	94.00	40	92.67	120
TENDERLOINS		R	155.00	40	155.00	46
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	154.67	90	154.67	90
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	158.00-170.00		159.71	280	159.58	316
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	38.00	40	38.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	35.00-39.00		36.04	364	36.42	844

**EXPORT TRADING**

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	75.00		75.00	270	75.00	270
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	48.80	540		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	61.00-64.00		62.33	486	62.33	486
TAILS		F	55.00	40		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	107.00-114.0		109.75	160	109.05	254

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