



# TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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## National Turkey Market At-A-Glance

**Domestic Market Highlights** The frozen hen and 16-24 lb. tom market is generally steady. Demand light to fair. Frozen hen and 16-24 lb. tom offerings light to moderate. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for hens 96.00-102.00 cents fob and 16-24 lb. toms 96.00-102.00 cents fob for current shipments. No truck-lot trading reported.

The market on white meat and white trims is steady to weak. Demand light to fair. Offerings generally moderate. The market on institutional sized breasts is steady. Demand light to fair. Offerings light at best. The market on tom bulk parts is steady with a steady to weak undertone. Demand light to fair. Offerings moderate. The market on hen 2-joint wings is steady to firm, hen full-cut wings steady while hen drums and hen necks are steady to weak. Demand light to fair. Offerings very light to moderate with hen 2-joint wings held with the most confidence. The market on thigh meat is steady at best. Demand light to fair. Offerings light to moderate. The mechanically separated turkey market is steady to firm. Demand fair. Offerings light to moderate. Trading slow to moderate with activity centering on fresh tom full-cut wings and fresh mechanically separated turkey.

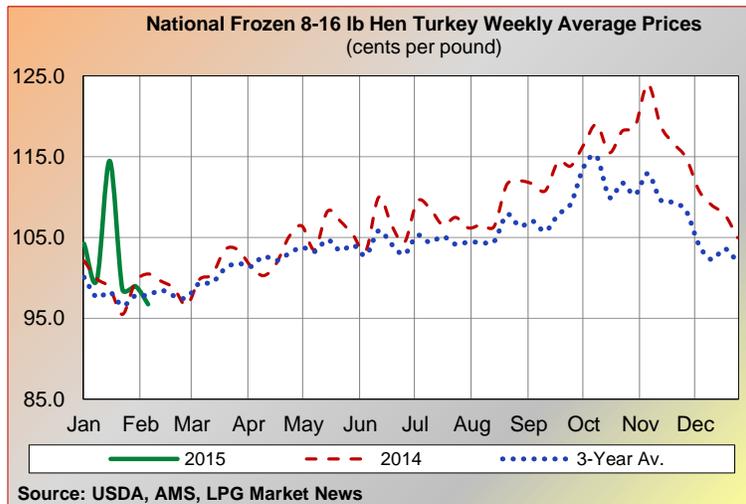
**Export Market Highlights** Trading slow. The market is steady with a steady to weak undertone. Demand light. Offerings mixed.

### Weekly National Whole Young Turkeys

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

U.S. Grade A - Frozen	Current Week	
	Wtd avg (cents/lb.)	Volume (000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	96.74	341
16-24 lb. (Toms)	97.39	269

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



**Fresh** - with timers; for delivery within the next seven days.

U.S. Grade A - Fresh	Current Week	
	Wtd avg (cents/lb.)	Volume (000 lbs.)
<b>Priced at Time of Sale:</b>		
8-16 lb. (Hens)	112.53	44.5
16-24 lb. (Toms)	112.53	44.5
<b>Price to be Determined:</b>		
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	2.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	2.0

### Turkeys Slaughtered in Federally Inspected Plants

Week Ending 31-Jan-2015 (Preliminary)

-Thousand Head-	Young turkeys-		Old Breeders		Total turkeys	
	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt	--Thousand head--		Avg Live wt	
North East	625	-12	27.60	(A)	625	27.60
South Atlantic	592	15	38.87	(A)	592	38.87
North Central	2,093	-2	33.79	(A)	2,100	33.79
South Central	828	3	19.29	(A)	830	19.29
West	156	-22	32.76	(A)	156	32.76
U.S. total	4,294 (B)	-2	32.20	9	4,303	32.20
To-date						
2015*	17,394 (B)			45	17,439	
To-date						
2014*	15,458 (B)			31	15,489	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this week 18,000; for the current year to date\* 70,000; for last year to date\* 108,000.

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

### Live Turkeys Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week Ending 31-Jan-2015 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
----- Thousands-----					
Head	1,620	2,656	18	9	4,303
Avg Wt	17.04	41.51	26.30	25.99	32.20
Last week	1,796	2,555	16	0	4,367
Same wk yr ago	1,658	2,200	48	20	3,926
Avg Wt	17.45	40.78	36.58	31.42	30.83
To-date/2015*	7,021	10,303	70	45	17,439
To-date/2014*	6,355	8,995	108	31	15,489
% Change YTD	10%	15%	-35%	45%	13%
<b>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</b>					
Current week	22,222	88,752	367	181	111,522
Last week	25,301	85,130	325	0	110,756
Same wk yr ago	23,146	71,773	1,361	487	96,767
To-date/2015*	98,418	345,120	1,603	893	446,034
To-date/2014*	86,414	299,770	2,727	729	389,640
% Change YTD	14%	15%	-41%	22%	14%
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Dressing %	80.5%	80.5%	77.5%	77.5%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

### Processed Turkeys (000) lbs.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings			Cold Storage Holdings		
Selected Centers, incl. Gov't Stocks			Pacific without Denver		
			02/02/15	01/26/15	02/03/14
AM	02/02/15	109,236	<b>Pacific Coast:</b> 481      490      542 <b>Los Angeles:</b> 336      340      231		
AM	01/01/15	48,476			
CHG		60760			
PCT CHG		125%			

**National Young Turkey Parts -**

Bulk Meat and Frozen (Unless Specified),  
Delivered First Receivers, Part and Full Trucklots.

The market for bulk parts is mixed, generally steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. White meat and white trims market is not fully tested, undertone weak. Demand light. Offerings moderate. Thigh meat market was steady. Demand light. Offerings light to moderate. Mechanically separated turkey market was steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading slow on all items. For domestic: frozen tails 59 cents, fresh scapula 213- 219 cents, fresh wing meat 131 cents, fresh full cut wings 53-54 cents, fresh tom necks 50-51 cents, grade A breast 8-10 lbs. 170 cents, 10-12 lbs. 215 cents, 12-14 lbs. 215 cents and 20-22 lbs. 225 cents delivered. For export: drumettes 55 cents, fresh tom drums 61-63 cents and fresh thigh meat 138 cents delivered to port or Border.

Domestic Trading	Weekly	
	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/	120.18	79
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A--Fresh 2/	177.14	14
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/	107.00	120
Drumsticks, Tom	64.03	127
Drumsticks, Tom--Fresh	65.03	600
Drumsticks, Hen	105.52	46
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	53.15	78
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen		
Wings, V-Type, Tom	100.00	20
Wings, V-Type, Hen	205.41	37
Necks, Tom	51.97	118
Necks, Hen	46.00	10
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/	279.63	82
Breasts, B/S, Tom--Fresh 3/	319.50	297
Thigh Meat	134.31	116
Thigh Meat--Fresh	140.08	418
Breast Trim Meat	161.00	24
Scapula Meat	219.55	22
Wing Meat With Skin	132.00	4
Tenderloins		
Destrapped Tenders		
Destrapped Tenders--Fresh	285.00	80
Mechanically Separated 4/	28.00	40
Mechanically Separated--Fresh 4/	26.82	937
Export Trading		
Drumsticks, Toms	56.97	228
Wings Full-Cut - Toms	53.34	348
Wings, V-Type, Tom		
Tails		
Mechanically Separated 4/	25.00	30
Thigh Meat - Frozen	132.60	150

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=Monday T=Tuesday W=Wednesday R=Thursday F=Friday (shown on daily reports only)

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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.