



# TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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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 for current shipments, steady to firm for deferred. Frozen demand light to moderate, best for deferred shipments. Frozen domestic processor offerings of Grade A 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. frozen toms are light to moderate. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis for 8-16 lb. hens are 105.00-111.00 cents FOB and 16-24 lb. tom offerings at 105.00-111.00 cents FOB for current deliveries. No trading reported.

The market on white meats and white trims is steady with scapula steady to firm. Demand is light to instances moderate. The market on 4-8 lb. breasts is steady with a steady to firm undertone, heavier sizes steady. Demand light to moderate, best on consumer sizes. Offerings very light to light on 4-8 lb. breasts with plant grades the most available, 8-12 lb. sizes light at best, 12 lb. and heavier light to moderate. The tom bulk parts market is firm on drums, balance mostly steady. Demand moderate to good on tom drums, balance light to moderate. Offerings very light to light with drums tightest. The thigh meat market is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light at best. The mechanically separated turkey market is steady to firm. Offerings light. Trading slow to moderate.

**Export Market Highlights** Trading slow to moderate. The market is mostly steady with tom drums firm. Demand and offerings are light to moderate.

### 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		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)	108.10 <sup>1</sup>		104.00	600	95.36	3,250
16-24 lb. (Toms)	108.10 <sup>1</sup>		104.00	200	93.99	1,828

<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	
	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)	121.63	40.5	129.80	25.0	116.50	26.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	127.32	22.0	129.41	22.0	116.20	25.0
<b>Price To Be Determined:</b>						
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--		--			2.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--		--			2.0

### Week Ending 09-Jan-2021 (Preliminary)

#### Turkeys Slaughtered In Federally Inspected Plants

	----- Young turkeys -----			Old		Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt	--Thousand head--	Breeders		Avg Live wt
North East	612	72	31.03	(A)		612	31.03
South Atlantic	495	54	46.11	(A)		495	46.11
North Central	1,927	46	36.43	(A)		1,948	36.43
South Central	755	45	17.63	(A)		762	17.63
West	92	-10	40.77	(A)		92	40.77
U.S. total	3,881 (B)	48	33.26	28		3,909	33.25
To-date							
2021*	6,500 (B)			28		6,528	
To-date							
2020*	7,561 (B)			43		7,604	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 24,000; for the current year to date\* 33,000; for last year to date\* 18,000.

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

#### Live Turkeys Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

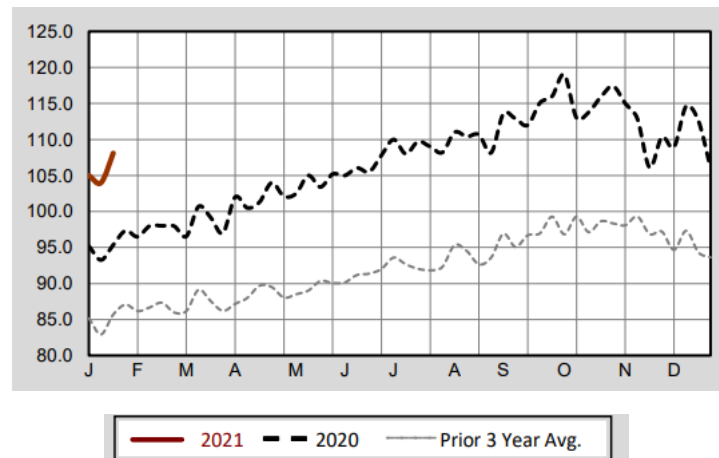
	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	1,631	2,226	24	28	3,909
Avg Wt	16.5	45.59	28.46	33.18	33.25
Head Slaughter Comparisons					
Last week	943	1,667	9	0	2,619
Same wk yr ago	1,573	2,543	17	11	4,144
Avg Wt	17.21	44.02	29.56	31.06	33.75
To-date/2021*	2,574	3,893	33	28	6,528
To-date/2020*	2,791	4,752	18	43	7,604
% Change YTD	-8%	-18%	83%	-35%	-14%
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	21,664	81,694	529	720	104,607
Last week	13,732	60,508	218	0	74,458
Same wk yr ago	21,792	90,114	389	265	112,560
To-date/2021*	35,396	142,202	747	720	179,065
To-date/2020*	38,460	169,708	409	982	209,559
% Change YTD	-8%	-16%	83%	-27%	-15%

Dressing % 80.50% 80.50% 77.50% 77.50%

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

**National FROZEN Hen Trend**  
(weighted average price in cents per pound; f.o.b. shipper dock)



### Weekly Cold Storage Holdings – in Selected Centers, Includes Government Stocks in Thousands of Pounds

	1/11/2021	1/1/2021	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
<b>Processed Turkeys</b>	49,391	40,660	8,731	21%

#### Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast

Processed Turkey	1/11/2021	12/04/20	01/13/20
Pacific without Denver:	418	424	375
Los Angeles:	146	146	167

**National Young Turkey Parts** - Bulk Meat and Frozen (Unless Specified), Delivered First Receivers, Part and Full Trucklots.

The market on white meat and white trims is steady with mixed undertones. Demand light to instances moderate. Offerings moderate to moderately heavy. The 4-8 lb. breast market is steady with a steady to firm undertone, heavier sizes generally steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts light to short of needs, 8-12 lb. sizes light at best, 12 lb. and heavier light to moderate. The market on tom drums is firm, balance of tom bulk parts mostly steady. Demand light to moderate with exports the most active. Offerings very light to moderate with necks the most available. The thigh meat market is steady to firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings light. Trading slow to moderate.

Domestic Trading	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	Weekly volume (000 lbs.)
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/	129.94	368
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A--Fresh 2/	172.64	22
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/	109.00	40
Drumsticks, Tom	87.98	169
Drumsticks, Tom--Fresh	70.00	40
Drumsticks, Hen	78.87	46
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	73.61	206
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	67.00	44
Wings, V-Type, Tom	85.50	160
Wings, V-Type, Hen		
Necks, Tom	66.49	396
Necks, Hen	72.00	6
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/		
Breasts, B/S, Tom--Fresh 3/	167.00	160
Thigh Meat	117.00	57
Thigh Meat--Fresh	119.67	244
Breast Trim Meat		
Scapula Meat		
Wing Meat With Skin	85.00	10
Tenderloins		
Destrapped Tenders		
Destrapped Tenders--Fresh	140.00	44
Mechanically Separated 4/	34.67	60
Mechanically Separated--Fresh 4/	37.51	244
Export Trading		
Drumsticks, Toms	94.80	782
Wings Full-Cut - Toms		
Wings, V-Type, Tom		
Tails	74.00	200
Mechanically Separated 4/	36.00	40
Thigh Meat - Frozen		

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.