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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 to barely steady for current shipments. Demand light. Processor offerings of frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms are mixed, mostly moderate. Frozen Grade A basted equivalent processor offering prices on a national basis from 2017 production for hens are 96.00-103.00 cents FOB and 16-24 lb. toms 96.00-103.00 cents FOB for current deliveries. No trading reported.

The market on fresh white meat is generally steady. The market on frozen white meat is steady to instances weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Demand on white meats light to moderate with some noting increased inquiry on frozen destrapped tenderloins. Fresh offerings moderate while frozen are mixed ranging light to moderately heavy, mostly moderate with supplies held with varied degrees of confidence. The market on white trims is steady with a steady to firm undertone. Demand is mostly moderate. White trim offerings are light to moderate. The market on institutional sized breasts is steady to weak. Demand light to moderate. Offerings moderate to moderately heavy, mostly moderate. The market on tom bulk parts is steady to firm. Demand light to good, mostly moderate. Offerings very light to moderate. The thigh meat market is steady to barely steady, instances weak. Demand light to moderate. Offerings mostly moderate. The mechanically separated turkey is steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Trading slow to moderate.

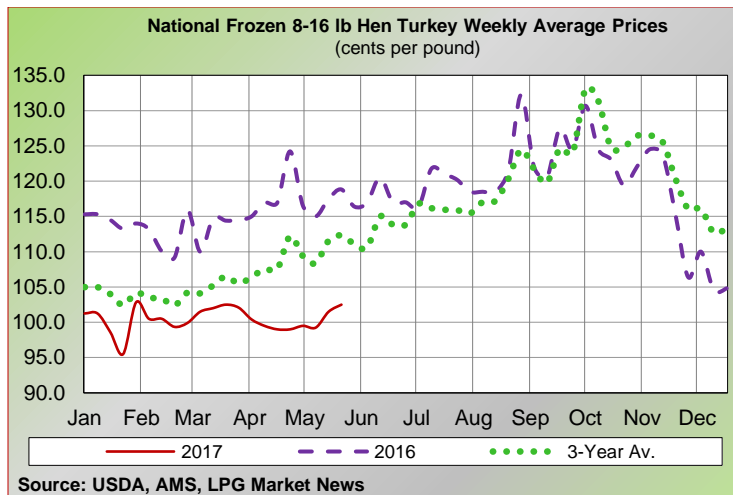
**Export Market Highlights** Trading slow to moderate. The market is steady to firm on tom bulk parts, balance steady with mixed undertones. Demand light to moderate. Offerings mixed, mostly moderate.

## 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	
	wtd avg (cents/lb)	volume (000 lbs.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	102.50	40
16-24 lb. (Toms)	102.50	40

<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.)
8-16 lb. (Hens)	115.85	200.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	115.10	155.0

Priced At Time Of Sale:		
8-16 lb. (Hens)	115.85	200.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	115.10	155.0

Price To Be Determined:		
8-16 lb. (Hens)	--	2.0
16-24 lb. (Toms)	--	2.0

## Turkeys Slaughtered In Federally Inspected Plants

Week Ending 13-May-2017 (Preliminary)

-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt	Old Breeder	Total turkeys		
				--Thousand head--	Avg Live wt	
North East	618	-6	29.48	(A)	618	29.48
South Atlantic	585	29	41.80	(A)	585	41.80
North Central	2,265	0	31.21	(A)	2,265	31.21
South Central	840	12	19.92	(A)	840	19.92
West	121	-8	31.90	(A)	121	31.90
U.S. total	4,429 (B)	4	32.12	0	4,429	32.12
To-date 2017*	78,030 (B)			79	78,109	
To-date 2016*	79,425 (B)			135	79,560	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turkeys included: this 3,000; for the current year to date\* 463,000; for last year to date\* 185,000.

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

## Live Turkeys Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week Ending 13-May-2017 (Preliminary)

	Young		Breeders		Total Turkeys
	Hens	Toms	Young	Old	
Head	1,843	2,583	3	0	4,429
Avg Wt	17.33	42.68	21.79	0.00	32.12
Last week	1,771	2,477	0	0	4,248
Same wk yr ago	2,020	2,489	12	5	4,526
Avg Wt	18.46	41.01	28.98	27.47	30.90
To-date/2017*	31,212	46,355	463	79	78,109
To-date/2016*	34,541	44,699	185	135	79,560
% Change YTD	-10%	4%	150%	-41%	-2%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	25,711	88,745	51	0	114,507
Last week	24,578	85,183	0	0	109,761
Same wk yr ago	30,018	82,169	270	106	112,563

To-date/2017*	427,163	1,569,378	10,105	1,782	2,008,428
To-date/2016*	490,334	1,501,783	4,149	2,976	1,999,242
% Change YTD	-13%	5%	144%	-40%	0%

Dressing %	80.5%	80.5%	77.5%	77.5%	
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(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

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

## Processed Turkeys (000) lbs.

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings Selected Centers, incl. Gov't Stocks			Cold Storage Holdings Pacific without Denver		
			05/15/17	05/08/17	05/16/16
AM	05/15/17	165,424			
AM	05/01/17	154,232			
CHG		11192			
PCT CHG		7%			
			155	178	358
			111	117	225

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

The market on bulk parts was a mixed steady, with frozen tom drums, frozen full cut wings and frozen necks firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings short to moderate. The market on fresh and frozen tom breast meat steady to barely steady, balance of white meat steady, except scapula firm. Demand and offerings light to moderate. The market on thigh meat was steady to barely steady. Demand and offerings light to moderate. Mechanically separated turkey (MST) was steady. Demand light. Offerings light to moderate. Trading slow. For domestic: fresh scapula 119-120 cents and fresh wing meat 55-56 cents delivered. For export: frozen scapula 119-121 cents delivered to Border.

Domestic Trading	Weekly	
	wtd avg (cents/lb.)	volume (000 lbs.)
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A 2/		
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Grade A--Fresh 2/	174.00	20
Breasts, 4-8 lbs. Plant Grade 2/		
Drumsticks, Tom	57.00	2
Drumsticks, Tom--Fresh	53.00	40
Drumsticks, Hen	54.00	2
Wings, Full-Cut, Tom	38.00	8
Wings, Full-Cut, Hen	37.00	13
Wings, V-Type, Tom	39.80	100
Wings, V-Type, Hen	175.00	40
Necks, Tom	38.00	2
Necks, Hen		
Breasts, B/S, Tom 3/	150.00	2
Breasts, B/S, Tom--Fresh 3/	153.00	46
Thigh Meat	118.00	20
Thigh Meat--Fresh	119.45	138
Breast Trim Meat	56.00	20
Scapula Meat	112.00	40
Wing Meat With Skin	57.00	40
Tenderloins	122.00	10
Destrapped Tenders	116.00	240
Destrapped Tenders--Fresh		
Mechanically Separated 4/		
Mechanically Separated--Fresh 4/	33.87	330
<b>Export Trading</b>		
Drumsticks, Toms		
Wings Full-Cut - Toms	44.00	120
Wings, V-Type, Tom	35.50	240
Tails		
Mechanically Separated 4/		
Thigh Meat - Frozen	117.00	40

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.