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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady. Demand light to moderate, most interest noted for deferred shipments. Trading was slow. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Bulk parts and meats demand was light to moderate. Offerings are mixed, light to adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on tom drums, balance slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were ample to barely adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) JULY 21, 2005

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	72.25	72.25	40	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) JULY 22, 2005

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-	75.00	60	AUG	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-75	72-75	72.69	52	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JULY 22, 2005	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	70.33	73.50	71.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	72.10 **	71.00	70.00
WESTERN REGION	72.60 **	72.50 **	70.50 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	72.00 **	73.67	70.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	72.69	71.00	70.00
WESTERN REGION	72.00 **	71.80 **	70.50 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	71-79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-79

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	106-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	106-123

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Jul 25, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)

PRICED AT TIME OF SALE	
8-16 lbs. 81.40	318,400
16-24 lbs. 81.33	30,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED	
8-16 lbs. --	690,000
16-24 lbs. --	305,000

Total Volume:	1,343,400

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TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 16-Jul-2005 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG TURKEYS			TOTAL TURKEYS	
	PCT CHG	AVG LIVE WT	OLD BANDED	AVG LIVE WT	
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT	
North East	724 22	24.00	(A) 727	24.00	
South Atlantic	685 25	32.23	(A) 688	32.23	
North Central	2,185 22	30.67	(A) 2,188	30.67	
South Central	663 33	18.79	(A) 665	18.79	
West	354 10	26.65	(A) 357	26.65	

U.S. total	4,611(B) 23	27.85	14	4,625	27.85
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To-date

2005	118,969(B)	89	119,058
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To-date

2004	119,676(B)	195	119,871
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T(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 22,000; for the current year to date 652,000; for last year to date 1,285,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

June	472,238*
July 1 - 16, 2005	209,545*

To date 2005	2,757,763*
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To date 2004	2,711,200*
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* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 16-Jul-2005

(Preliminary)

	YOUNG		YOUNG OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS		
	----- Thousands			
Head	1,959	2,630	22 14	4,625
Avg Wt	16.01	36.65	25.22 34.22	27.85
Last week	1,539	2,202	13 1	3,755
Same wk yr ago	1,872	2,757	59 18	4,706
Avg Wt	15.83	35.60	25.51 27.39	27.59
To-date/2005	47,114	71,203	652 89	119,058
To-date/2004	48,011	70,380	1,285 195	119,871

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 21 JULY 2005.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was fully steady to firm, destrapped tenderloins and breast trim steady to firm, scapula at least steady. The market tone on frozen wing meat with skin continued steady to weak, fresh wing meat with skin and frozen tom breast meat was steady to fully steady. Demand on frozen wing meat with skin was extremely light, fresh moderate to good. Offerings of frozen wing meat with skin adequate to burdensome, fresh light. Domestic trading moderate on tom drums and fresh tom breast meat, balance slow. Export trading active on tom 2-joint wings and moderate on frozen thigh meat, balance slow. For domestic (fresh): tom wings 31, wing meat with skin 74-78 mostly 74, scapula 106-107 cents delivered. For export: tom necks 40, hen drums 41, tom defatted gizzards 53, frozen tom breast meat 171 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	145.00	17
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	50.00		50.00	260
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	48.00		48.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	42.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	30.00-34.00		32.79	172
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	29.00		29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	118.00-122.00		120.00	80
NECKS, TOM	39.00-39.50		39.33	120
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	175.00		175.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	190.00-192.00		191.14	280
THIGH MEAT	87.00		87.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	153.82	44
SCAPULA MEAT		F	91.00	28
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	151.00		151.00	38
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	173.00		173.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	60.67	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	25.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	26.00		26.00	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	50.50		50.50	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	31.12	185
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00-31.00		30.50	624
TAILS	25.00		25.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	26.00	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	84.00-86.00		84.65	308

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 AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 22 JULY 2005.

The market tone on frozen tom drums was about steady, tom wings steady to fully steady, tom v-type wings and tom necks mostly steady. Supplies of tom drums were adequate to fully adequate, necks, tom wings and tom v-type wings were adequate to instances tight. Demand was slow to moderate on bulk parts. Institutional size breasts: grade A basted 8-10 lb 115, 12-14 lb 145; plant grade basted 20-24 lb 142. Fresh wing meat moved at 76 cents delivered. Export trading was fair. For export: fresh thigh meat 84-86, machine defatted and hand defatted gizzards 41 FOB, frozen breeder thigh meat February and newer production 77 FOB, and fresh tom drums at open prices for August shipments.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	
					WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	145.00	17	145.00	17
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	100.00		100.00	40	100.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	49.00		49.00	23	49.93	329
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	49.00		49.00	160	48.80	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	42.00	40	42.00	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	32.79	172	32.70	178
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	29.00	40	29.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.50		28.50	40	29.07	140
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	120.00	80	120.00	80
NECKS, TOM		R	39.33	120	39.29	226
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	175.00	80	173.67	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	191.00-192.00		191.86	280	191.53	600
THIGH MEAT		R	87.00	40	86.50	80
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	87.00		87.00	10	87.00	10
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	153.82	44	153.82	44
SCAPULA MEAT		F	91.00	28		
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	151.00	38	151.05	418
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	62.00		62.00	40	62.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	170.00-173.00		172.40	100	172.83	138
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	25.00	40		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	27.00		27.00	95	26.53	342
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	50.00		50.00	120	49.99	242
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	31.12	185	31.12	185
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	30.50	624	29.95	1,144
TAILS		R	25.00	80	25.17	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	26.00	160	26.00	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	84.65	308	85.03	732

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