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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, instances firm. No sales were reported for prompt shipments, deferred sales were finding the most interest. Offerings are fully sufficient, but tightly held. Inquiry was light to moderate, instances good. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow to moderate. Offerings were in a full range.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow. Demand was light to good. Offerings were mixed ranging from short to adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 12, 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/	73-78	-	-	-	78.50	120	SEP	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-76	-	-	-	79.00	40	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	73-76	-	-	-	78.50	240	SEP	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	72-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	73-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 11, 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/	73-78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-76	75	75.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	73-76	73	73.00	40	-	-	-	40	AUG
CENTRAL REGION	72-76	74	74.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	73-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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)

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
WEEK ENDING AUGUST 12, 2005			
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	75.40**	77.00	73.00**
CENTRAL REGION	75.00	73.50**	72.90**
WESTERN REGION	74.40**	72.23	72.50**
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	75.67	72.50**	72.30**
CENTRAL REGION	74.95	72.70**	72.20**
WESTERN REGION	74.00**	72.00	72.30**

**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#	72-83
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	72-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	72-81

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	116-129

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Aug 15, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	82.34	276,000
16-24 lbs.	79.38	16,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume: 307,000

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 06-Aug-2005 (Preliminary)

	<u>YOUNG TURKEYS</u>			<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>PCT</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>AVG</u>	
	<u>CHG</u>	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>LIVE</u>	
<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>WT</u>	
North East	745	2	23.42	(A)	746 23.42
South Atlantic	719	4	29.34	(A)	720 29.34
North Central	2,164	-2	30.33	(A)	2,165 30.33
South Central	694	-6	18.00	(A)	695 18.00
West	347	-3	26.47	(A)	348 26.47
U.S. total	4,669(B)	-1	26.96	5	4,674 26.96
To-date					
2005	133,066(B)			118	133,184
To-date					
2004	133,636(B)			215	133,851

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 10,000; for the current year to date 726,000; for last year to date 1,487,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

July	416,276*
August 1 - 6, 2005	5,168*

To date 2005	2,969,662*
To date 2004	3,017,726*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>Thousands</u>				
W/E 06-Aug-2005					
Head	2,067	2,592	10	5	4,674
Avg Wt	15.77	35.88	24.05	31.92	26.96
Last week	2,036	2,660	34	8	4,738
Same wk yr ago	1,808	2,754	47	15	4,624
Avg Wt	15.75	34.05	23.30	24.25	26.75
To-date/2005	53,206	79,134	726	118	133,184
To-date/2004	53,630	78,519	1,487	215	133,851

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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 11 AUGUST 2005.

The market tone on tom drums and full-cut wings was mostly steady to barely steady, tom necks steady at best and tom 2-joint wings steady to firm. Demand on tom 2-joint wings was moderate to good, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums uneven ranging from tight to instances burdensome, mostly adequate to fully adequate; tom full-cut wings adequate to instances ample and tom necks adequate to fully adequate. Trading was moderate on tom drums for export and on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts and tom full-cut wings for domestic shipments, balance slow. Tom 2-joint wings traded at 35 cents delivered port for late September - early October shipments.

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	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	98.00-99.00		98.43	280
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	47.00-48.50		47.78	89
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	33.00-36.00		34.60	221
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	35.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	32.75	131
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	104.00		104.00	10
NECKS, TOM	37.00-39.00		37.87	45
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	185.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	206.00		206.00	140
THIGH MEAT	89.00-90.00		89.50	80
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	88.00	10
BREAST TRIM MEAT	159.00		159.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	95.00	40
TENDERLOINS		F	150.50	60
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	163.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	181.80	50
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	60.17	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	26.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	27.75	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	45.50-48.50		47.78	368
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	35.50	42
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	29.00	540
TAILS		W	31.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	26.57	184
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	87.00	364

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 12 AUGUST 2005.

The market tone on tom breast meat was fully steady to firm for prompt shipments and steady to firm for further out, destrapped tenderloins and breast trim fully steady to firm, scapula and fresh wing meat with skin steady to fully steady, frozen wing meat with skin steady at best. Demand moderate to good on tom breast meat, destrapped tenderloins, breast trim and fresh wing meat with skin for prompt shipments, frozen wing meat with skin light. Offerings of frozen wing meat with skin adequate to fully adequate, fresh wing meat with skin light with some processors only producing to orders, balance of white meat light at best and held with confidence. Trading active on fresh tom breast meat, balance slow to moderate. For domestic: Grade A non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 157, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 115 and 12-14 lb. 145, fresh scapula 107-109, fresh breast trim 170-174, For export: mature hen drums 46, fresh thigh meat 89 cents delivered.

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	21	145.00	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	102.00		102.00	200	99.92	480
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	48.00-51.00		50.09	202	49.49	385
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	48.00-51.00		48.33	90	48.33	90
DRUMSTICKS, HEN						
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	35.00		35.00	34	34.65	315
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	38.00		38.00	38	33.18	209
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	110.00		110.00	28	103.59	78
NECKS, TOM	37.00		37.00	40	37.93	272
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	185.00	80	185.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	204.00-208.00		205.62	420	205.41	680
THIGH MEAT		R	89.50	80	87.40	200
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	89.00-90.00		89.26	65	89.09	75
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	159.00	40	157.94	340
SCAPULA MEAT		W	95.00	40	95.00	80
TENDERLOINS		F	150.50	60		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	167.00		167.00	20	162.85	260
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	58.00-61.00		59.00	60	59.78	180
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	177.00-182.00		181.00	50	180.43	140
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	26.50	40	26.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	26.00		26.00	27	27.50	187
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	47.78	368	48.16	632
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	34.00		34.00	52	34.67	94
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	29.00	540	29.00	540
TAILS	28.50		28.50	80	25.86	228
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	26.57	184	26.72	424
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	87.00	364	86.76	692

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