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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was firm. Demand was light to fair. Limited trading was reported for prompt shipments. Offerings are short to light and held with confidence. Trading was light to moderate on white meat and parts. Offerings remain short to barely adequate for prompt shipments. Demand was moderate to good.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on small volumes of thigh meat and tom drums, balance slow. Demand light to moderate with some buyers cautious and selective. Offerings short 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) AUGUST 10, 2006

	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/	77-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-79	79	79.00	20	86.00	80	SEP-OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	76-80	76	76.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	77-79	79	79.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-79	76	76.00	13	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	76-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-79	76	76.00	13	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 AUGUST 11, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	77.80 **	76.20 **	75.40 **
CENTRAL REGION	77.82	75.20 **	75.00
WESTERN REGION	77.00 **	75.70 **	74.40 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	78.67	77.33	75.67
CENTRAL REGION	77.82	74.00	74.95
WESTERN REGION	77.00 **	75.70 **	74.00 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-97
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-97
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	75-82

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	108-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	108-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	108-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	112-120

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS (prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of August 07, 2006

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	88.75	387,000
16-24 lbs.	87.09	22,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume:		424,000

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 05-Aug-2006 (Preliminary)

	<u>YOUNG TURKEYS</u>			<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>PCT CHG PW</u>	<u>AVG LIVE WT</u>	<u>OLD BANDED</u>	<u>AVG LIVE WT</u>	
-THOUSAND HEAD-			-THOUSAND HEAD-		
North East	765 1	23.63	(A) 766	23.63	
South Atlantic	794 -7	31.15	(A) 795	31.15	
North Central	2,177 1	31.21	(A) 2,177	31.21	
South Central	718 -2	16.67	(A) 718	16.67	
West	326 -3	21.65	(A) 326	21.65	
U.S. total	4,780(B) -1	27.15	2 4,782	27.15	
To-date 2006	138,580(B)		153 138,733		
To-date 2005	133,066(B)		118 133,184		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
 (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 36,000; for the current year to date 748,000; for last year to date 726,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

July	433,245*
August 1 - 5, 2006	83,112*
To date 2006	3,115,360*
To date 2005	3,065,299*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	
	<u>Thousands</u>			
W/E 05-Aug-2006				
Head	1,975	2,769	36 2	4,782
Avg Wt	15.55	35.46	24.07 43.97	27.15
Last week	2,041	2,765	39 0	4,845
Same wk yr ago	2,067	2,592	10 5	4,674
Avg Wt	15.77	35.88	24.05 31.92	29.96
To-date/2006	59,413	78,419	748 153	138,733
To-date/2005	53,206	79,134	726 118	133,184

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 10 AUGUST 2006.

The market tone on white meat was steady to firm, mostly fully steady to firm. Demand moderate to good for August-September shipments, best on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins for prompt deliveries. Offerings short to instances light. Some parts of the country are noticing cooler weather while others still have a heat wave. Further processed demand moderate to good. The market on rib breasts was steady to firm with institutional sizes strongest. Demand on 4-8 lb. sizes light to instances moderate, institutional sized breasts moderate to instances good. Trading ranged slow to moderate with tom necks and breast meat the most active. Tom defatted gizzards traded at 54 cents delivered domestic. For export: hen drums 32, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 109-110 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/		R	92.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	113.00		113.00	2
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	33.00		33.00	3
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		T	33.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	32.00		32.00	16
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	42.00		42.00	129
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	36.00-37.00		36.54	74
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	46.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	105.00	20
NECKS, TOM	25.00-28.00		26.25	212
NECKS, HEN	25.00		25.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	217.00		217.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	257.50-280.00		267.17	240
THIGH MEAT	76.00-80.00		77.14	56
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	78.04	272
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	125.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT		W	129.00	26
TENDERLOINS		F	180.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	212.00		212.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		T	243.00	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	98.00	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	22.00		22.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	23.04	1,135
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	31.00-32.00		31.50	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	47.00	108
TAILS		F	33.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	22.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	77.50		77.50	40

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.

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The market tone on tom wings was fully steady to firm, balance of tom bulk parts steady to fully steady. Demand light to good, mostly moderate to good. Offerings of wings short to instances light, balance of tom bulk parts light to adequate. The market tone on frozen -20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) steady to fully steady, fresh mostly steady. Demand mostly moderate. Offerings mixed. Trading slow to moderate. For domestic: fresh wing meat with skin 100, fresh scapula 127-128, Grade A non-basted 8-10 lb. breasts 135 and 12-16 lb. 175, plant grade basted 20-24 lb. breasts 170 cents delivered. For export: frozen -20% MST - 60 days age 20, hen drums 30-33, fresh tom drums 30, Russian frozen thigh meat 102-104 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
					WTD AVG PRICE	WTD AVG PRICE
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	135.00		135.00	9	135.00	9
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	114.00		114.00	80	113.98	82
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	31.00-34.00		31.74	115	31.97	218
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	31.00-38.00		32.46	130	32.59	170
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	32.00	16	32.00	16
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	45.00-50.00		48.13	32	42.29	261
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	36.54	74	36.43	94
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	46.00	20	46.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	105.00	20	105.00	20
NECKS, TOM	27.00-30.00		27.93	172	27.00	424
NECKS, HEN	24.00		24.00	80	24.07	86
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	217.00	80	212.00	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	275.00		275.00	160	262.99	741
THIGH MEAT		R	77.14	56	77.14	56
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	76.00-84.00		78.16	190	78.16	190
BREAST TRIM MEAT	130.00		130.00	40	126.25	160
SCAPULA MEAT		W	129.00	26	128.39	66
TENDERLOINS	190.00		190.00	25	190.00	25
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	212.00	20	204.00	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	98.00	160	98.00	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	256.00-274.00		264.68	146	258.37	206
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	22.00	40	22.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	22.00-26.00		23.04	398	23.07	1,553
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	31.00-35.00		33.00	120	32.63	320
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	47.00		47.00	208	47.00	316
TAILS	28.50		28.50	104	28.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	22.00	40		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	78.00-81.00		79.21	132	78.26	644

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