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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was fully steady to firm. Inquiry light to moderate. No trading reported. Offerings from processors short of buyers needs, resales light and held with confidence. The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was steady at best, balance of white meat steady to instances weak. The market tone on rib breasts was firm on consumer sizes, balance steady, bulk parts steady to barely steady. Trading was heavy on fresh tom breast meat for current shipments, balance slow.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS Trading slow to moderate. Inquiry light to moderate for the mixed availability.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **OCTOBER 19, 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/	96-100	-	-	-	99.00	60	DEC	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	96-100	100	100.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	96-100	-	-	-	98.00	40	NOV	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	96-100	-	-	-	99.00	60	DEC	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	96-100	100	100.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	96-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 OCT 20, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	97.30**	98.00	82.21
CENTRAL REGION	99.50	93.00**	80.25
WESTERN REGION	97.30**	93.00**	83.40**
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	97.30**	96.69	81.71
CENTRAL REGION	100.00	95.00	80.90**
WESTERN REGION	97.30**	93.00**	81.40**

**BASED ON OFFERS

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	109-118
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	109-118
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	90-100
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	90-95
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	92-97

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	116-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-123

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of October 23, 2006

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

PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	101.16	490,000
16-24 lbs.	97.40	25,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

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

Total Volume: 530,000

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 14-Oct-2006 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG			OLD Banded	TOTAL Avg Live wt
	-Thousand Head-	Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt		
North East	813	7	23.53	(A) 815	23.53
South Atlantic	745	-17	31.14	(A) 747	31.14
North Central	2,321	0	31.98	(A) 2,323	31.98
South Central	599	-15	19.32	(A) 601	19.32
West	235	-18	28.12	(A) 237	28.12
U.S. total	4,713(B)	-5	28.59	10 4,723	28.59
To-date 2006	185,141(B)			195 185,336	
To-date 2005	179,494(B)			182 179,676	

(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 1,020,000; for last year to date 971,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

September	427,095*
October 1 - 14, 2006	220,610*

To date 2006	4,151,684*
To date 2005	4,081,365*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
	----- Thousands				
W/E 14-Oct-2006					
Head	1,858	2,819	36	10	4,723
Avg Wt	16.40	36.66	24.89	30.71	28.59
Last week	2,088	2,860	24	6	4,978
Same wk yr ago	1,864	2,660	30	5	4,559
Avg Wt	16.66	35.94	25.32	36.72	27.99
To-date/2006	78,928	105,193	1,020	195	185,336
To-date/2005	72,654	105,869	971	182	179,676

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 19 OCTOBER 2006.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat ranged from at least steady to instances barely steady, frozen tom breast meat steady to instances weak, wing meat with skin about steady, balance of white meat steady to weak. Demand on fresh tom breast meat moderate for prompt shipments with interest noted for deferred, balance of white meat light at best. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat light to instances fully adequate mostly light to adequate, frozen tom breast meat light to fully adequate, wing meat with skin adequate, balance of white meat adequate to ample. The market tone on thigh meat was mixed with some processors indicating strength on frozen while other industry members note spot weakness on fresh. Inquiry slow to moderate with supplies held with varied degrees of confidence. Firm priced trading was moderate on fresh tom breast meat and plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts for domestic shipments, balance slow. For domestic: frozen -20% mechanically separated turkey -5 months age 9 shipping point, tails 33, fresh tom wings 37, fresh wing meat with skin 102, tom defatted gizzards 70 cents delivered. For export: fries 110 cents shipping point.

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	139.00	34
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	114.00-118.00		115.60	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00-41.00		39.94	66
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	40.00		40.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	38.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00-37.00		34.47	102
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	48.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	58.92	76
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	106.00	5
NECKS, TOM	37.00		37.00	4
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	190.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	201.00-203.00		202.00	320
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		R	96.44	72
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	117.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	133.67	60
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	225.33	30
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	101.50	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00		19.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	41.00		41.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	38.76	178
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	55.00	156
TAILS	31.50		31.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.50	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	98.00	18

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 drums was mostly steady, balance of tom bulk parts steady to barely steady. Demand moderate on tom drums, balance light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums short to adequate, balance of tom bulk parts light to fully adequate mostly adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was cautiously steady to steady, destrapped tenderloins barely steady to weak, wing meat with skin steady to barely steady, balance of white meat barely steady to weak. The demand on fresh tom breast meat was moderate to good for prompt shipments, slow to instances moderate on the balance of white meat. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat mostly adequate, frozen tom breast meat light for the limited buyer interest, balance of white meat adequate to instances burdensome. Trading heavy on fresh tom breast meat, balance slow to instances moderate. For domestic: livers 18 pet foods, tails 32, fresh wing meat with skin 99-102, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 120 and non-basted 130, Grade A non-basted 12-16 lb. breasts 190, plant grade basted 20-22 lb. breasts 185 cents delivered. For export: tom necks 37, fresh tom drums 38 Russian frozen thigh meat 106 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	127.00	1/	127.00	30	127.00	30
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	136.00		136.00	7	138.49	41
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	117.00		117.00	80	117.45	620
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00		39.00	46	39.74	195
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		R	40.00	40	39.00	100
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	38.00		38.00	40	38.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	35.00		35.00	12	36.52	218
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	48.50	40		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	58.92	76	58.92	76
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	106.00	5		
NECKS, TOM	34.00-35.00		34.13	138	34.40	178
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	190.00	40	190.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	200.00-205.00		201.93	749	201.80	1,269
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	97.00-98.00		97.72	166	97.72	166
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	117.00	80	117.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	133.67	60		
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS						
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	99.00-101.00		100.00	80	100.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	185.00-205.00		198.14	70	198.14	70
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	8	17.18	88
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00-21.00		20.00	120	19.75	160
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	41.00	40	41.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	38.00		38.00	104	38.38	302
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	55.00	156	55.00	156
TAILS	29.00		29.00	119	30.44	319
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.50	120		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	98.00		98.00	80	98.00	98

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