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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 steady to instances fully steady. Light trading was reported on frozen. Demand was light to moderate. Fresh hen and tom movement is very heavy for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. Processors remain fully engaged in producing and shipping fresh and frozen whole birds for the holiday. Offerings of whole birds are adequate. Trading on bulk meat and parts was slow to moderate. Supplies of parts and meats are mixed, mostly adequate.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on thigh meat, tails and full-cut wings, balance slow. Demand was slow to moderate. Buyers are cautious and selective. Offerings adequate to ample.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 09, 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/	99.5-103	102	102.00	160	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	99.5-103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	99.5-103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	99.5-103	102	102.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	99.5-103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	99.5-103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 NOV. 09, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	100.97	103.00 **	87.00
CENTRAL REGION	100.00	102.00	84.00
WESTERN REGION	101.31 **	103.00 **	85.00 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	100.59	103.00 **	82.00
CENTRAL REGION	100.00	103.00 **	82.85
WESTERN REGION	101.31 **	103.00 **	83.00 **

\*\*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#	100-105
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96-101
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	97-102

**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	120-133

**NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -**

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS  
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of November 13, 2006

Price (cents/lb.)      Volume (lbs.)

**PRICED AT TIME OF SALE**

8-16 lbs.	99.76	15,918,720
16-24 lbs.	99.73	15,907,913

**PRICE TO BE DETERMINED**

8-16 lbs.	--	1,150,000
16-24 lbs.	--	1,190,000

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Total Volume:      34,166,633

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**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 04-Nov-2006 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG			OLD Banded	TOTAL Avg Live wt
	Pct Chg	Avg Live wt	-Thousand Head-		
North East	933	1	23.19	(A) 933	23.19
South Atlantic	795	11	31.53	(A) 795	31.53
North Central	2,400	3	31.29	(A) 2,400	31.29
South Central	918	13	16.92	(A) 918	16.92
West	792	21	22.80	(A) 792	22.80
U.S. total	5,838(B)	7	26.62	0 5,838	26.62
To-date 2006	201,205(B)			202 201,407	
To-date 2005	195,413(B)			195 195,608	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.  
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 74,000; for the current year to date 1,154,000; for last year to date 1,098,000.

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS**

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

October	494,857*
November 1 - 4, 2006	74,585*

To date 2006	4,500,515*
To date 2005	4,419,756*

\* Preliminary

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

	YOUNG		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----Thousands-----				
W/E 04-Nov-2006					
Head	2,762	3,002	74	0	5,838
Avg Wt	16.37	35.98	29.33	0.00	26.62
Last week	2,524	2,879	30	1	5,434
Same wk yr ago	2,705	2,791	89	9	5,594
Avg Wt	16.38	36.01	29.31	31.59	26.40
To-date/2006	86,247	113,804	1,154	202	201,407
To-date/2005	80,042	114,273	1,098	195	195,608

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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 09 NOVEMBER 2006.

The market tone on tom breast meat was mostly steady, destrapped tenderloins steady to instances weak, wing meat with skin steady to barely steady, breast trim and scapula barely steady to weak. Demand on tom breast meat moderate to good, destrapped tenderloins light with some preferring breast meat due to the price relationship, light on the balance of items. Offerings of tom breast meat light to instances fully adequate, mostly adequate; destrapped tenderloins adequate to instances burdensome, wing meat with skin adequate to fully adequate, balance of white meat adequate to ample. The market tone in institutional breasts was mostly steady for a generally moderate to good demand. Offerings mixed. The market tone on 4-8 lb. breasts was at least steady with some of the support coming from the increased feature activity on rotisserie breasts over last year. Demand light to moderate. Offerings spotty. Trading was moderate on fresh tom breast meat, balance slow.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	WEEKLY
					WTD AVG PRICE	WTD VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	158.27	11		
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	38.00		38.00	160	37.37	289
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	40.00		40.00	40	39.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	38.00		38.00	20	38.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	29.00		29.00	66	29.15	175
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	51.00	40	51.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	85.00		85.00	6	85.00	6
NECKS, TOM		W	31.00	83	31.00	83
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	197.00	1		
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	201.00-203.00	R	201.88	227	202.20	281
THIGH MEAT		W	98.00	40	98.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	96.00	120	96.00	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	100.00	40	100.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	99.00-101.00	R	100.00	20	105.60	100
TENDERLOINS		F	194.00	2		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	181.00		181.00	30	181.00	30
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	194.27	60	194.27	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	40	17.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		W	19.37	149	19.37	149
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	38.00		38.00	40	40.38	424
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	30.50	208	30.20	520
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	47.50	208	47.00	312
TAILS	24.50		24.50	208	24.50	208
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	17.00	40	17.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	95.00		95.00	80	95.91	264

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.