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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms fully steady to firm. Trading was reported on hens and toms for deferred shipments. Sales for prompt deliveries were not reported. Light to moderate demand for the limited offers. Trade sentiment on 4-8 lb. breasts, scapula and mechanically separated turkey (MST) steady to instances firm, steady to fully steady on thigh meat, balance of parts and meat items generally steady with tom necks instances weak. Demand was light with most inquiry on tom full cut wings, destrapped tenders, scapula, MST and thigh meat. Offers of most parts and meat items were mixed with fresh breast meat, fresh tom drums and tom necks in the longest position.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export trading activity reported on tom drums and tom full cut wings, balance was slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate to in close balance.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) MARCH 25, 2008

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/ WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/ VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	82-84	-	-	-	97.00	1400	OCT	480	APR-MAY
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	82-84	-	-	-	97.00	1280	OCT	480	APR-MAY

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	82-84	-	-	-	94.00	200	SEP	-	-
					97.00	200	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	82-84	-	-	-	94.00	200	SEP	-	-
					97.00	200	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION	82-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 MARCH 2008.

The market tone on most items was steady with some spot strength noted on thigh meat and spot weakness on tom necks. Demand light as industry members return from the holiday weekend. Offerings mixed, mostly adequate.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	129.17	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	51.00		51.00	18
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	47.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	50.00		50.00	18
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	47.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	58.53	156
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	77.00	20
NECKS, TOM	39.00		39.00	6
NECKS, HEN		T	41.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	176.00	15
THIGH MEAT	99.00		99.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	96.70	79
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	114.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	73.00	20
TENDERLOINS		F	167.00	7
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	173.47	94
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		R	174.91	44
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		M	23.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	52.00		52.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	50.00	378
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	55.00	312
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	23.00		23.00	208
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	98.00-99.00		98.78	476

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.

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	125-152
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	123-152
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	123-152
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	123-152
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	123-152

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	110-119
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	80-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	80-81

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	47.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	50.00	18
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	45.50		45.50	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	60.00		60.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	68.00		68.00	20
NECKS, TOM		T	39.00	6
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	176.00-178.00		177.48	54
THIGH MEAT		T	99.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	96.70	79
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	73.00	20
TENDERLOINS		F	167.00	7
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	173.47	94
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	176.00		176.00	12
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	22.00-23.50		23.07	56
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	21.00-23.00		22.02	82
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	50.00		50.00	92
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	47.00-50.00		48.49	81
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	55.00	312
TAILS				
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