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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on whole turkeys was steady to firm. Inquiry light to moderate. No trading reported. Offerings short to adequate and held with confidence. The market tone on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins was steady at best, wing meat with skin mostly steady, breast trim steady to fully steady and scapula steady to firm. White meat demand light to moderate, instances good on scapula. Offerings of tom breast meat and wing meat adequate to fully adequate, destrapped tenderloins adequate to instances ample, breast trim light to adequate and scapula short to light.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading active on tom drums, balance slow. Demand light to moderate with continued interest noted from Mexico. Offerings mostly light 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 19, 2008****

	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/	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	95-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	96-99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	96-99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	96-99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	96-99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	96-99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 19 AUGUST 2008.

The market tone on tom drums was steady to barely steady, tom necks cautiously steady to steady with instances of increased confidence noted, tom 2-joint wings steady, tom full-cut wings steady to instances fully steady and tails steady to firm. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums adequate to instances ample, tom wings adequate, tom necks mixed with some sellers starting to become better balanced. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady for the light to moderate buyer interest. Offerings light. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey (MST) was steady to fully steady with frozen strongest. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of fresh MST light to adequate, frozen MST short to instances light. Trading slow.

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/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	52.39	401
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	49.36	440
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	51.00	13
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		M	43.70	44
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	48.00	25
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	60.00		60.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	34.00		34.00	80
NECKS, HEN		R	37.00	26
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	170.00-174.00		172.29	140
THIGH MEAT		F	101.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	103.00	51
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	115.00	10
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	73.00	2
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	162.00		162.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	27.89	57

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	48.00-52.00		50.67	162
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	41.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	57.93	448
TAILS	45.50		45.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	103.00		103.00	108

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	122-163
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	118-163
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-163
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	117-163
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	115-163

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	110-120
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	97-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	97-99
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	99-100

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 20 AUGUST 2008.

Trade sentiment on tom drums was steady to barely steady, tom necks cautiously steady to steady, tom 2-joint wings steady, tom full-cut wings steady to instances fully steady and tails steady to firm. Light to moderate demand. Offerings of tom drums adequate to readily available, tom wings adequate and tom necks irregular. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady with fresh in the strongest position. Breast meat and destrapped tenders trade sentiment steady to barely steady. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey (MST) was steady to fully steady. For domestic: ground breast trim 125 and tails 42 cents delivered.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	49.36	440
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WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	48.00	25
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BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	115.00	10
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	73.00	2
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		T	162.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	26.00		26.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	27.00		27.00	120
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	46.50-54.00		48.09	740
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	42.00-44.00		43.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	57.93	448
TAILS	42.00		42.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
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