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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on whole turkeys was fully steady to firm. Demand was light for prompt shipments and light to moderate for both fresh and frozen for deferred shipments. Offerings light for immediate and deferred deliveries. Retail feature activity for whole birds was slow in the Eastern and Central regions, but increased in the Western region as over half of the stores in the West are promoting turkey. The market tone on bulk parts and meats remains a mixed steady. Trading was slow for bulk parts and meats as the holiday weekend approaches. Offerings were light to adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on tom full-cut wings, tom drums and hen two-joint wings, balance slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were 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 26, 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/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	SEPT
WESTERN REGION 5/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION	97-100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	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.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 26 AUGUST 2008.

The market tone was generally steady on most white and dark meat items with tom drums steady to barely steady and steady to fully steady on tom wings, necks, and thigh meat. Demand on most parts was light to moderate in light of the approaching holiday. Most demand centered on wing meat, scapula, thigh meat, and tails. Offerings of white and dark meat items were generally light to adequate with destrapped tenders and breast meat adequate to available and mixed on tom drums. For domestic: breeder destrapped tenders at 145. For export: thigh trim at 55 FOB.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	134.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	125.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	53.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		M	51.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	45.00		45.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	59.57	140
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	75.00	40
NECKS, TOM		M	34.00	80
NECKS, HEN		M	37.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		F	173.17	240
THIGH MEAT		F	104.00	80
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		R	104.00	37
BREAST TRIM MEAT	129.00		129.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT		F	119.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	71.50	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	157.00		157.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	161.00	90
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	28.00		28.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	27.00-28.00		27.50	80

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	52.83	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	43.00-44.00		43.50	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	59.00-60.00		59.50	80
TAILS		R	44.50	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	104.00	120

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#	98-99
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98-99
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	98-100

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