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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady. No trading was reported. Demand was light to moderate with most interest noted for deferred shipments. Offerings were light for prompt shipments and light to moderate for deferred shipments. The market tone on bulk parts and meats was generally steady. Trading was slow. Offerings light to adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on tom drums and tails, balance was 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 for SEPTEMBER 16, 2008)

	OFFERS	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/			FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
		SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	99-102	99	99.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	99-102	100.5	100.50	80	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	99-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	99-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	120	SEP
CENTRAL REGION	92-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	92-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	99-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
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CENTRAL REGION	99-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	99-102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 16 SEPTEMBER 2008.

The market tone on tom necks was steady to barely steady, tom drums mostly steady with some spot strength noted on fresh and tom wings steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate with some fresh tom drum export inquiry going unfilled. Some industry members still recovering while others assess possible finished product losses from hurricane Ike. Offerings of tom necks adequate to fully adequate, tom drums light to adequate with some noting fresh becoming harder to find, tom wings light to adequate and held with increasing confidence. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey was steady to fully steady with offerings light to instances short of buyers' needs. Demand seasonally active for the time of year.

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/	152.00-179.00		154.25	12
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	53.29	140
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	50.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	45.39	144
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	60.00	45
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	74.00	120
NECKS, TOM		F	35.00	20
NECKS, HEN		F	36.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	170.00-174.00		172.50	160
THIGH MEAT		F	102.00	20
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	103.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		R	125.00	35
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	82.00	200
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	155.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	150.00-160.00		155.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	30.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	29.55	220

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	52.50		52.50	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	43.67	240
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	63.43	378
TAILS	47.00		47.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	100.00	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	122-164
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	123-164
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	123-164
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	123-164
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	125-164

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#	110-120
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	99-100
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	99-101
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	101-102

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DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	45.00		45.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	46.00		46.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	60.00		60.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	72.00		72.00	15
NECKS, TOM	33.00		33.00	12
NECKS, HEN		F	36.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
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