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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 steady. Light trading was reported for prompt deliveries. Demand remains limited. Offerings were adequate. The market tone on bulk parts, white meat items, and thigh meat was steady to fully steady, full cut wings and necks fully steady to firm. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were short to adequate. The trade sentiment on mechanically separated turkey was barely steady. Demand was light. Offerings were fully adequate. Turkey feature highlights had almost 60 percent of surveyed stores offering turkey this week. Frozen hens and toms are heavily promoted in the Eastern region and prices are very competitive.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on tom drums and tom two joint wings, balance of items was slow. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were mixed ranging from short 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 20, 2009**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/			FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/		
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER	VOLUME PER (000)	DEL (000)
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	79.5-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	79.5-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	80-82	80-80.5	80.25	120	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	79.5-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	79.5-82	80-80.5	80.25	120	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 AUG 21, 2009	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	81.00 **	84.00	98.25
CENTRAL REGION	80.25	81.00 **	97.10 **
WESTERN REGION	81.00 **	81.00 **	97.10 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	80.75 **	84.00	98.25
CENTRAL REGION	80.25	80.75 **	97.00
WESTERN REGION	81.00 **	81.00 **	97.10 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	113
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	110
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	110
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	108
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	111

**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#	81-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	81-91
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	81-96

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 24-AUG-2009

Price (cents/lb.)		Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	96.18	142,000
16-24 lbs.	94.67	45,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	5,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000
Total Volume:		197,000

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

W/E 15-Aug-09	(Preliminary)			Old	Total	Turkeys
---Young turkeys---						
	Thousand	Pct chg	Avg	Breeders		Avg
	Head	PW	Live wt	-Thousand head-		Live wt
North East	688	3	24.72	(A)	692	24.72
South Atlantic	774	-2	34.04	(A)	777	34.04
North Central	2,185	0	31.14	(A)	2,188	31.14
South Central	690	-1	18.87	(A)	693	18.87
West	364	-1	23.95	(A)	367	23.95
U.S. total	4,701 (B)	0	28.32	16	4,717	28.32
To-date						
2009*	145,225 (B)			184	145,409	
To-date						
2008*	153,162 (B)			327	153,489	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of youngbanded breeder turkeys included: this week 26,000; for the current year to date* 754,000; for last year todate* 768,000.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 15-Aug-09

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
Head	2,017	2,658	26	16	4,717
Avg Wt	17.21	36.77	27.19	26.40	28.32
Last week	1,993	2,678	30	15	4,716
Same wk yr ago	2,076	2,864	28	27	4,995
Avg Wt	15.76	37.21	24.11	26.60	28.16
To-date/2009*	61,717	82,754	754	184	145,409
To-date/2008*	64,203	88,191	768	327	153,489
<i>Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage</i>					
Current week	27,771	78,179	541	323	106,814
Last week	26,987	79,440	623	336	107,386
Same wk yr ago	26,174	85,256	516	549	112,495
To-date/2009*	827,352	2,513,081	15,858	4,392	3,360,683
To-date/2008*	834,563	2,710,931	15,390	7,774	3,568,658
Dressing %					
	80.0%	80.0%	76.5%	76.5%	

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

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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 20 AUGUST 2009.

The market tone on tom bulk parts was steady to fully steady, with most inquiry noted on full-cut wings, necks and drums. Demand was light to moderate with offerings short to adequate. The trade sentiment on white meat items was steady to fully steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were light to adequate. The market tone on thigh meat was steady. Demand and trading was limited while offerings were mostly adequate. Domestic: Grade A basted only breasts 10-12 lbs. 120, 14-16 lbs. 130, 16-18 lbs. 135, 18-20 lbs. 145, gourmet breasts 150, fresh scapula meat 110-114, fresh wing meat with skin 105-109.5, 85% ground turkey for Sept. 80, tails 27 cents delivered.

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/		W	161.00	7
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	52.00		52.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	50.00-55.00		51.20	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	52.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	60.00		60.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	60.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	79.00	55
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	97.00	10
NECKS, TOM		W	32.67	180
NECKS, HEN		W	37.00	5
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	141.00		141.00	40
THIGH MEAT	81.00		81.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		W	84.00	10
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	117.89	36
SCAPULA MEAT		F	111.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	98.00	40
TENDERLOINS		F	124.00	5
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	132.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	135.00		135.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	25.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	23.00-30.00		25.14	140
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	53.00	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	26.72	94
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	83.80	200

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.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	161.00	7	170.60	15
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	52.00-53.00		52.75	16	52.83	256
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	49.00-56.00		49.86	290	50.41	690
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	52.00		52.00	120	52.00	130
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	56.00		56.00	123	57.05	343
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	60.00	10	60.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	78.00-80.00		78.40	100	78.40	100
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	97.00	10	97.00	10
NECKS, TOM	33.00-38.00		33.30	246	33.04	426
NECKS, HEN	38.00		38.00	15	37.75	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/ THIGH MEAT	135.00-138.00	R	136.50	240	137.67	360
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	82.00-84.00		81.00	40	81.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	83.50	160	83.53	170
SCAPULA MEAT	109.00		117.89	36		
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	95.00		109.00	36	109.00	36
TENDERLOINS		F	95.00	40	96.50	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	124.00	5		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		R	132.00	20	132.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	24.00-25.00 24.00-26.00		135.00	20	134.00	40
			24.60	200	24.67	240
			24.67	60	24.90	400
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	49.50-58.50		51.82	548	52.03	668
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	69.00		69.00	216	69.00	216
TAILS		W	26.72	94	26.72	94
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	83.80	200		

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