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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. Limited trading was reported for deferred delivery. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate. The market tone on bulk parts and thigh meat was fully steady, instances firm on full cut wings. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were in a full range, short to adequate. Fresh tom breast meat was steady to firm. Demand was light to moderate. Retail feature highlights have more retailers promoting turkey this week. Offers on fresh and frozen whole turkeys and on fresh bone-in breasts are light. Frozen bone-in breasts are actively featured and average ad prices trend lower due to very competitive pricing in the Eastern region.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow to moderate. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings ranged 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) **SEPTEMBER 03, 2009**

	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/	80-82.5	82.5	82.50	80	-	-	-	80	SEP
CENTRAL REGION 4/	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	80-82	81	81.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
12-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	79-82.5	82.5	82.50	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	79-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	80-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	-	-	-	81.00	20	NOV	-	-
WESTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 SEPT 04, 2009	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	82.50	82.00	100.00
CENTRAL REGION	80.80 **	81.63	97.50
WESTERN REGION	81.00	81.00 **	100.00
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	82.50	82.00	98.50**
CENTRAL REGION	80.40 **	82.00	102.00
WESTERN REGION	80.80 **	81.00 **	100.00

MONTH OF AUGUST	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	81.33	82.68	96.85
CENTRAL REGION	81.14	81.08	96.86
WESTERN REGION	81.14	81.82	96.81
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	81.05	82.39	96.85
CENTRAL REGION	80.89	80.89	96.76
WESTERN REGION	81.14	81.82	96.81

**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#	81-92

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 07-SEP-2009

	Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
PRICED AT TIME OF SALE		
8-16 lbs.	96.64	143,000
16-24 lbs.	95.44	45,000
PRICE TO BE DETERMINED		
8-16 lbs.	--	5,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000
	Total Volume:	198,400

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 29-AUG-2009 (Preliminary)

	Young turkeys				Old	Total turkeys	
	-Thousand Head-		Pct Chg Prev wk	Avg Live wt	Banded --Thousand head--		Avg Live wt
North East	686		2	24.53	(A)	687	24.53
South Atlantic	749		3	32.10	(A)	750	32.10
North Central	2,236		3	31.32	(A)	2,237	31.32
South Central	777		7	18.68	(A)	778	18.68
West	324		-5	28.14	(A)	324	28.14
U.S. total	4,772	(B)	3	28.20	4	4,776	28.20
To-date 2009*	154,647	(B)			194	154,841	
To-date 2008*	162,878	(B)			336	163,214	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 34,000; for the current year to date* 794,000; for last year to date* 882,000.
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 29-AUG -2009 (Preliminary)

	Young Hens	Young Toms	Young Breeders	Old	Total Turkeys
	Thousands				
Head	2,031	2,707	34	4	4,776
Avg Wt	17.31	36.40	25.00	40.68	28.20
Last week	2,018	2,626	6	6	4,656
Same wk yr ago	1,856	2,739	48	7	4,650
Avg Wt	16.02	37.20	23.58	30.92	28.60
To-date/2009*	65,766	88,087	794	194	154,841
To-date/2008*	68,170	93,826	882	336	163,214
Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage					
Current week	28,123	78,821	650	124	107,718
Last week	27,213	77,332	109	137	104,791
Same wk yr ago	23,786	81,513	866	166	106,331
To-date/2009*	882,688	2,669,234	16,617	4,653	3,573,192
To-date/2008*	886,079	2,878,861	17,461	8,027	3,790,428
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.5%	76.5%	

(A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.
*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 03 SEP 2009.

The market tone on tom bulk parts remained steady to fully steady, instances firm on full-cut wings. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings ranged tight to adequate with full-cut wings in the strongest position. Some reporting spotty availability of necks. The trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to firm, balance of white meat steady to fully steady. Demand and offerings were both light to adequate. The market tone on thigh meat was fully steady. Demand and trading was limited with offerings light to adequate. Trading remained slow as industry adjusts schedules for the Labor Day Holiday. Domestic: hen breast meat (less than 9 months age) 122, fresh tom necks 40 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/		R	139.71	28
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	55.00		55.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	51.50-53.00		52.70	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	51.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	66.00		66.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	62.55	28
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	82.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	97.00	5
NECKS, TOM	40.00-41.00		40.50	160
NECKS, HEN		F	41.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	132.00	200
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	150.00		150.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	81.00	80
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		T	88.50	37
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	108.36	220
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
TENDERLOINS		W	125.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	132.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	136.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00-21.00		20.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	24.00		24.00	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	58.00		58.00	216
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	79.00	216
TAILS		F	27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.50		20.50	108
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	84.00	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.

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The market tone on tom bulk parts was steady to fully steady, instances firm on full-cut wings. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings ranged from tight to adequate with full-cut wings interest going unfulfilled. The trade sentiment on fresh tom breast meat was steady to firm, balance of white meat steady to fully steady. Demand was mixed. Offerings were light to adequate. The market tone on thigh meat was fully steady. Demand was light to moderate. Trading was slow to moderate. Domestic: breeder hen breast meat 106, fresh wing meat 106, fresh tails 21 and fresh full-cut wings 61 cents. Export: fresh thigh meat 86 and fresh tom drums 51 cents.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	151.00-179.00		166.20	18	166.20	18
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	51.00-55.00		52.61	67	54.21	203
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	51.00-53.00		52.07	560	52.20	800
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	51.00	10		
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	66.00	40	65.83	96
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	63.00		63.00	10	63.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	82.00	40	82.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	97.00		97.00	5	97.00	10
NECKS, TOM	38.00-42.00		40.35	185	40.44	357
NECKS, HEN	40.00-41.00		40.50	20	40.50	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	123.00-131.00		127.55	440	128.94	640
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	142.00-153.00		146.78	180	145.87	460
THIGH MEAT		F	81.00	80		
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	86.00		86.00	45	87.13	82
BREAST TRIM MEAT	119.00-122.00		119.82	55	119.82	55
SCAPULA MEAT	113.00		113.00	40	113.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	103.00		103.00	40	103.00	40
TENDERLOINS		W	125.00	10	125.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	132.00		132.00	20	132.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	134.00-135.00		134.50	40	135.25	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00-21.00		20.50	240	20.50	400
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	22.00-25.00		23.32	432	23.49	559
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	56.00-58.00		56.28	764	56.66	980
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	79.00-80.50		79.50	162	79.50	162
TAILS	27.00		27.00	80	27.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.50		20.50	108	20.50	216
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	83.50		83.50	120	83.74	228

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