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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was steady. Demand on frozen whole turkeys was light to moderate. Fresh whole turkey demand was moderate to good for deferred shipments. Frozen whole turkey trading slow. Offerings light to adequate. The market tone on rib breasts was mostly steady, tom bulk parts steady to instances firm, thigh meat at least fully steady and mechanically separated turkey steady. Demand on rib breasts light to instances moderate, tom bulk parts mostly moderate to good and thigh meat good. Offerings of thigh meat short to light, tom bulk parts light to adequate and rib breasts uneven with supplies varying by processor. The market tone on white meat was steady to fully steady. Demand ranged from light on scapula to moderate to good on the balance. Offerings light to adequate. Trading moderately heavy on tom breast meat, balance slow to moderate.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading moderate and centered on frozen thigh meat and tom drums. Demand light to good, mostly moderate with interest varying by destination and commodity. Offerings 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 15, 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/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	81	81.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 SEPTEMBER 2009

The market tone on consumer sized rib breasts was mostly steady with some spot weakness noted, institutional sized rib breasts steady. Demand light to instances moderate. Offerings of consumer sized and institutional sized rib breasts mixed ranging from light to fully adequate with availability varying by size and processor. The market on tom necks was steady, balance of tom bulk parts fully steady to instances firm. Demand on tom bulk parts ranged from light on tom necks to moderate to sometimes good on the balance of items. Offerings of light to adequate with tom necks the most available. Trading slow to moderate. Fresh tom necks traded at 42 cents delivered domestic and fresh tom drums 54 cents delivered export.

<b>DOMESTIC TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE RANGE</b>	<b>L.S.T. CODE 1/</b>	<b>WTD AVG PRICE</b>	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00		99.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	179.00		179.00	4
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	98.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	56.00		56.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	52.00-54.00		52.67	60
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	52.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	68.00		68.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	63.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	80.37	98
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	41.00		41.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	125.63	320
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	152.00-159.50		156.38	160
THIGH MEAT		F	88.00	2
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		M	89.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		M	115.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	103.00		103.00	30
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	132.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	136.50-140.00		138.25	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	17.80	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	23.00-25.00		23.67	120

**EXPORT TRADING**

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	56.00		56.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	27.00	54
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	18.00	240
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	89.00		89.00	80

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**

	<b>RANGE</b>
TURKEYS Y HENS	113-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	110-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	110-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	108-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	111-149

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

	<b>RANGE</b>
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 YOUNG TURKEY PARTS**, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 16 SEPTEMBER 2009.

The market tone on white meat was steady to fully steady. Demand was light to moderate with offerings adequate. The trade sentiment on tom necks was steady, balance of tom bulk parts fully steady to instances firm. Demand on tom bulk parts was mixed, light to instances good with most inquiry on wings and drums. Offerings were light to adequate with tom necks the most available. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to good for both domestic and export channels. Offerings ranged tight to adequate. Export: frozen hen drums 53, tom gizzards (hand cut, hand defatted) 106.5 cents delivered port.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		T	179.00	4
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	98.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	56.00	20
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WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	68.00		68.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	63.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	81.00		81.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	40.00		40.00	80
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	125.00-132.00		130.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	157.00		157.00	140
THIGH MEAT		F	88.00	2
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		M	89.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		M	115.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	103.00	30
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	132.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	138.00		138.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	24.00		24.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		T	23.67	120
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	58.00		58.00	270
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	27.00	54
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	18.00	240
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	89.00		89.00	200

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