

# TURKEY MARKET NEWS REPORT

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# NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was barely steady to fully steady. Demand was light to moderate. Fresh whole turkey demand was moderate for the upcoming November holidays. Trading was light to moderate. Fresh trading was moderate for November shipments. Offerings of whole turkeys both fresh and frozen were adequate. Tom bulk parts was steady to fully steady, instances firm for full cut wings. Demand was light to good. Offerings were short to barely adequate. Thigh meat was fully steady to firm and mechanically separated turkey was barely steady. Demand was mixed and ranged from light to good with most interest for thigh meat and full-cut wings. Offerings adequate.

#### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

**DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS** 

Trading was slow to moderate. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were short to adequate.

<u>WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS</u>, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS

for September 24, 2009		CURRENT	SHIPMEN	TS 2/	FORW	ARD SHIPMI	OPEN COMN VOLUME	MITMENTS 7/ DEL		
coptoso. 2 ., 2000	OFFERS		WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER	(000)	PER	
8-16 LB HENS								80	OCT	
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-82	79.5-82	80.29	380	-	-	-	-	-	
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	81	81.00	40	-	-	-	_	-	
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82	82.5	82.50	40	-	-	-			
16-24 LB TOMS								-	-	
EASTERN REGION	78-82	80.5	80.50	20	-	-	-			
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	81	81.00	40	80.50	40	OCT	-	-	
WESTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	

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for September 25, 2009	9 (	CURRENT	SHIPMEN'	TS 2/	FORW	/ARD SHIPMI	ENTS 6/	VOLUME	DEL
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD	VOLUME	WTD	VOLUME	DEL	(000)	PER
			AVG	(000)	AVG	(000)	PER	• •	
8-16 LB HENS								-	-
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-82.5	-	-	-	-	-	-		
16-24 LB TOMS								-	-
EASTERN REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	78-82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	78-82	_	-	_	_	_	-		

<sup>1/</sup> May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

# WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, DENTS PER LB, DELIVERED, (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS

W/E September 25, 2009	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK		
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO		
8-16 LB HENS					
EASTERN REGION	79.01	81.44	100.00 **		
CENTRAL REGION	81.00	77.80	99.00 **		
WESTERN REGION	83.18	80.50	100.50 **		
16-24 LB TOMS					
EASTERN REGION	74.12	81.00	99.50 **		
CENTRAL REGION	81.33	78.50	99.00 **		
WESTERN REGION	80.00 **	80.50	100.50 **		
*BASED ON OFFERS					

<sup>2/</sup> Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

<sup>4/</sup> Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

<sup>5/</sup> Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

<sup>6/</sup> Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment.

<sup>7/</sup> Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
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 FRESH TURKEYS**

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS (prices reflect turkeys with timers), Week of 28-SEP-2009

Price (c	Volume (lbs.)	
PRICED AT TIME O	F SALE	
8-16 lbs.	98.82	154,200
16-24 lbs.	97.85	65,000
PRICE TO BE DETE	ERMINED	
8-16 lbs.		5,000
16-24 lbs.		5,000
	Total Volume	: 229,200

# TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/F 19-SEP-2009 (Preliminary)

W/E 19-3EF-2009 (Fleillilliary)								
	Old	Total to	ırkeys					
	Pct	Avg	Banded		Avg			
-Thousan	d Head-	Prev	/ wk	Live wt	Thousand	head	Live wt	
North East	709		21	25.52	(A)	712	25.52	
South Atlantic	701		21	34.34	(A)	704	34.34	
North Central	2,247		21	31.50	(A)	2,250	31.50	
South Central	741		11	18.80	(A)	744	18.80	
West	318		17	26.91	(A)	321	26.91	
U.S. total	4,716	(B)	19	28.72	15	4,731	28.72	
To-date		. ,						
2009*	167,902	(B)			217 1	68,119		
To-date	•	, ,				,		
2008*	176,715	(B)			367 1	77,082		
A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations								

<sup>(</sup>A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Young

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

Young

Young

Old

**Total** 

W/E 19-SEP -2009 (Preliminary)

	Hens Toms		Bre	Breeders		
		Thous	sands			
Head	1,901	2,773	42	15	4,731	
Avg Wt	16.88	36.88	25.37	28.69	28.72	
Last week	1,644	2,302	24	2	3,972	
Same wk yr ago	2,072	2,801	59	6	4,938	
Avg Wt	16.63	37.57	25.05	29.37	28.62	
To-date/2009*	71,135	95,877	890	217	168,119	
To-date/2008*	74,154	101,552	1,009	367	177,082	
Ready-to-Cook V	Veight and	Dressing Pe	rcentage			
Current week	25,676	81,824	815	329	108,644	
Last week	22,096	67,857	448	88	90,489	
Same wk yr ago	27,566	84,187	1,131	135	113,019	
To-date/2009*	932,946	2,830,230	17,970	5,112	3,786,258	
To-date/2008*	937,771	3,032,868	19,009	8,346	3,997,994	
Dressing %	80.0%	80.0%	76.5%	76.5%		

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<sup>(</sup>B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 42,000; for the current year to date\* 890,000; for last year to date\* 1,009,000.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

<sup>80.0%</sup> (A) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 24 SEP 2009.

The market tone on bulk parts was steady to firm with tom full-cut wings in the strongest position. Demand was mixed, light to good with offerings short to adequate. The trade sentiment on fresh and frozen breast meat was steady to fully steady, scapula meat steady at best and the balance of trims steady to fully steady. Demand on white meat was moderate to good. White meat offerings were light to moderate. Some fresh tom breast meat contracts were reported for next year with a floor price of 160 and a ceiling price of 235. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to good with offerings light. Mechanically separated turkey trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were moderate to heavy. Forward shipment pricing on fresh MST for early November 24 cents delivered. Export: fresh tom drums 55, frozen lean thigh trim 66 cents delivered border.

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 AFRESH 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	179.00		179.00	1
DRUMSTICKS, TOM DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH DRUMSTICKS, HEN WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN NECKS, TOM NECKS, HEN BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	51.50-53.00	F W T W W M F	55.36 52.70 52.00 71.00 64.00 82.00 97.00 41.00 39.25 133.00	318 200 12 40 20 20 8 20 20 800
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/ THIGH MEAT THIGH MEATFRESH BREAST TRIM MEAT	161.00-166.00 94.00	F	163.17 90.00 94.00	240 16 80
SCAPULA MEAT WING MEAT WITH SKIN TENDERLOINS		W	110.00 125.00	40 12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	138.00-139.50	F M	138.75 22.00 25.38	80 50 148
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS		W F F T	54.94 70.00 72.00 28.00	1,002 40 120 40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN Correction for 09-23-2009 - Daily Turkey Par	22.50	F	22.50 90.00	40 120
BREASTS,B/S, TOM	133.00-135.00		134.00	800

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

<u>NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS</u>, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 SEP 2009.

The market tone on bulk parts was steady to firm with tom full-cut wings in the best position. Demand was in a full range, light to good. Offerings were short to adequate. The trade sentiment on fresh and frozen breast meat and balance of white meat was steady to fully steady, except scapula meat steady at best. Demand on white meat was moderate, instances good. Offerings of white meat was adequate. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to good, with light offerings. Mechanically separated turkey trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Demand was light. Offerings were moderate to heavy. Domestic: hand defatted gizzards 88, 8-10 lb. A grade non basted breast 115, 12-16 lb. A grade non basted breast 125, fresh tom neck 38, and fresh tail 26.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
		.,	TRIOL	(000)	TRIOL	(000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE AFRESH 2/		R	179.00	1	153.15	13
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	53.00		53.00	20	53.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOMFRESH	51.50-53.00		52.75	240	52.73	440
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	52.00	12	52.00	12
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	66.00-67.00		66.50	31	66.98	147
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	64.00	20	64.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	76.00-80.00		77.75	80	78.60	100
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	97.00	8	97.00	8
NECKS, TOM	38.00-39.00		38.67	60	39.25	80
NECKS, HEN	38.00		38.00	5	38.00	5
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	135.00		135.00	20	134.02	820
BREASTS, B/S, TOMFRESH 3/	159.00-168.00	_	165.00	120	163.07	560
THIGH MEAT	00 00 04 00	F	90.00	16	000	000
THIGH MEATFRESH	93.00-94.00		93.50	80	95.39	360
BREAST TRIM MEAT		147	440.00	40	440.44	4.5
SCAPULA MEAT		W	110.00	40	110.44	45
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	405.00		405.00	40	405.00	00
TENDERLOINS	125.00		125.00	10	125.00	22
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	400.00		420.00	40	400.00	400
DESTRAPPED TENDERSFRESH	138.00		138.00	10	139.69	130
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	19.00 20.00-25.00		19.00 24.64	40 192	19.00 24.96	40 340
MECHANICALLY SEPARATEDFRESH 4/	20.00-25.00		24.04	192	24.90	340
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	55.00-57.00		56.50	160	55.21	1,242
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	33.33 37.30	F	70.00	40	00.21	.,_ 12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	71.00-76.00	-	73.31	804	73.31	804
TAILS	27.00-29.00		27.81	134	27.85	174
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	2 20.00	R	22.50	40	22.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	94.00		94.00	54	94.00	54

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