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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 to instances weak, mostly steady to barely steady. Holiday and fill-in demand was slow and 2010 demand was light to moderate. No trading reported. Offers were very limited for prompt ship and light to fully adequate for deferred. The market tone on white meat was steady to barely steady, tom bulk parts mostly steady, thigh meat fully steady to firm, and MST barely steady at best. Demand was seasonally light to fair. Trading was slow for the light offerings. Retail offers of dark parts retreat and are few and far between. Ground turkey ads remain at about the same level as last week with over half the ground turkey ads for 93% lean with sausage a distant runner-up.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow to moderate centering on fresh and frozen tom drums, tom 3- joint wings, tails, fresh bone-in thighs, tom necks, wing tips, fresh thigh meat, and fresh MST. Demand was seasonally light for the Christmas holiday. Offerings were mostly 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)

for Dec 22, 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/	75-87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	75-87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	75-86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	75-87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	75-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	75-84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	75-85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 22 DECEMBER 2009

The market tone on bulk parts was steady. Demand was slow to moderate. Offerings were light to adequate. The trade sentiment on white meat items was steady to barely steady. Demand was limited and not fully tested. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on thigh meat was fully steady to at times firm. Demand was light to moderate while offerings were tight. All trading was seasonally slow as many producers begin to reduce processing schedules for the upcoming holidays. Some reporting difficulty in the availability of transportation. For export: frozen tom breast meat 147 cents FOB, hearts 29.75 cents delivered port.

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/		F	164.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	102.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	56.00	30
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	55.00		55.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	52.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	75.28	141
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	71.00	43
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	72.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	101.71	85
NECKS, TOM	37.00		37.00	160
NECKS, HEN		F	37.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		F	170.00	40
THIGH MEAT		R	111.00	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	110.33	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	124.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	111.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	142.13	150
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	18.40	100
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	57.00	216
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	34.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	115.00	94

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	121-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	117-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	117-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-149
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	115-149

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	102-121
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	88-98

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	56.00		56.00	2
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	52.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	75.28	141
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	71.00	43
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DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	142.00		142.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00		19.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	56.00-60.00		58.73	197
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	74.00		74.00	11
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	32.00		32.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	115.00	94

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