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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was light for immediate shipment, good for deferred shipment. Limited whole body trading centered in the West for deferred shipment. Hen and tom offerings were limited to available. Trading on fresh tom breast continued at higher trending prices. Mechanically separated turkey was produced in sufficient quantities to cover contract sales with little product left for the cash market. Demand was light to fair and the market tone was improving.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Nine containers of commodity toms moved in the East at 58.5 cents delivered port.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	90-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	81-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	81-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	82-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-115

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	76-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	88-95
BREASTS 10-12#	143-154
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-81
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	63-64
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63-64
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-75

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

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS										
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	56-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	400		MAR-APR
16-24 LB TOMS										
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	56-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	240		MAR-APR

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.

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YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 22 FEBRUARY 1999.

Trade sentiment steady to firm on white meat items; thigh meat and bulk parts steady to fully steady. Demand light to fair on fresh 15-20% skin added mechanically separated turkey (MST) with an improved undertone noted in some areas. Frozen 15-20% skin added MST demand light with only limited open priced trading reported. Offerings of fresh 15-20% skin added MST light to adequate with instances of limited offerings noted for prompt shipments. Some plant grade 12-14 lb. breasts noted at 120 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		T	95.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	138.33	120
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	89.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	21.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00		23.00	9
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	5
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	21.00		21.00	7
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	192.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	210.00		210.00	80
THIGH MEAT		F	46.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	46.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	120.00		120.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS	135.00		135.00	14
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	64.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	15.00	220
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	20.00	27
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	24.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		W	19.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	46.33	240

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/ Without tenderloins. 4/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.