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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on whole turkeys. Offerings were adequate. Inquiries were fair to good. Trading was heavy for deferred shipments, light for current shipment. Breast meat was available and ranged steady to barely steady. Supplies of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey were available at mostly steady prices.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

A fair volume of product moved to Asia with light trading to the border.

### SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	82-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	79-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	79-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	82-115
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-115

### LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	88-95
BREASTS 10-12#	143-158
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	

### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	75-87
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66-67
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	71-75

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/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	61-63	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58.75-61	58.75-60	59.22	465.2
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	61	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	60-61	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	61-62	-	-	-

### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
2240	APR-SEP
2280	APR-SEP
2240	APR-SEP
1200	APR-SEP
1200	APR-SEP
1200	APR-SEP

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 15 MARCH 1999.

Trade sentiment steady to barely steady on tom breast meat, drums and thigh meat. Domestic and export demand light on most items with some export interest to Russia noted. Trading light on +6 month old frozen tom breast meat at 185 cents delivered. For export: hen 2-joint wings (2 containers) 35.50, hen defatted gizzards (3 containers) 57.75 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	125.00	60
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	20.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	22.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	20.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	25.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	22.00	3
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	37.00	30
NECKS, TOM		R	22.00	36
NECKS, HEN		F	19.00	3
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	205.80	200
THIGH MEAT		T	48.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	48.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	117.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	166.00	8
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	68.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	17.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	22.00		22.00	40
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	20.44	71
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.50		28.50	104
TAILS		W	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	20.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	50.00		50.00	40

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.