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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The undertone for hens and 16-24 lb. toms steady to firm. No trading reported. Demand mixed with most interest for deferred shipments. Supplies held with confidence and availability limited for prompt shipments. Trading and demand light for parts and meats.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Thigh meat trading moderate to Asia and Mexico. Demand slowing from Asia on thigh meat due to the higher trending price levels and various competitively priced pork and chicken items.

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/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS										
EASTERN REGION 3/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 02 JUNE 1999.

Trade sentiment on frozen thigh meat steady to firm with some industry members watching values of competitive red meat items. Market mixed on tom drums with sellers offering at higher price levels while trading is consistently reported reflecting steady at best undertones. Some sellers resisting 19 cent buyer bids on tom 2-joint wings, yet, only limited trading is reported at the higher seller offering prices. Demand light to fair on tom drums for the light to fully adequate offerings with industry members agreeing supplies better balanced than 2 weeks ago. Neck demand light to fair as inventories slowly move into a better position.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	98.00	1,480
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	129.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	16.50	60
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	14.00	4
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	16.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		W	22.33	63
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	19.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	14.50		14.50	80
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	180.00	100
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	190.00-193.00		192.40	200
THIGH MEAT		F	57.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	53.00	60
BREAST TRIM MEAT	110.00		110.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	98.00	15
TENDERLOINS		F	149.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	163.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	68.50	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00		15.00	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	15.50		15.50	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	22.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	18.75	416
TAILS		F	17.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.50		15.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	59.00-61.00		59.92	488

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.

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-88
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	81-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	76-78

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	79-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	82-89
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-103

BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 6/2/99

SEASON	POULTRY HEALTH BOARD ACCUMULATED		
	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDERS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
1998-99	1,066	431,704	432,054
1997-98	8,000	452,843	453,093

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