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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to firm on hens and consumer sized toms. Demand light with no trading reported. Offerings light to sometimes adequate and being held with varying degrees of confidence. Trade sentiment mixed on fresh tom breast meat due to the light to fully adequate offerings. Tenderloin trade sentiment steady to firm. Some further processors may be substituting tenderloins for any breast meat needs due to price considerations.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to firm on 2-joint wings with hens strongest and full-cut wings steady to barely steady. Inquiry light to fair with buyer interest noted on frozen thigh meat at lower price levels. Trading slow.

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-92
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-92
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-92
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-92
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-104

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	83-100
BREASTS 10-12#	151-158
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	

	<u>RANGE</u>
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	90-92
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	74-77
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-81

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

	<u>CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/</u>				<u>FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/</u>			<u>OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/</u>	
	<u>OFFERS</u>	<u>SALES AVG</u>	<u>WTD (000)</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>WTD AVG</u>	<u>VOLUME (000)</u>	<u>DEL. PER</u>	<u>VOLUME (000)</u>	<u>DEL. PER</u>
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 12 JULY 1999.

Undertone about steady on fresh tom breast meat with a mixed trade sentiment noted ranging from barely steady to fully steady, tenderloin trade sentiment steady to firm, wing meat steady and scapula steady to barely steady. Fresh tom breast meat demand slow to fair for the light to instances fully adequate offerings. The tenderloin market continues to be stronger than tom breast meat due in part to some further processors substituting any breast meat shortages with tenderloins. For export: hen 2-joint wings (1 rail-car) 44 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/		F	135.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	93.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	19.00		19.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	17.50	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	18.00	140
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	18.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	24.00		24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	42.00	40
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	183.46	26
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	186.00-192.00		189.11	360
THIGH MEAT		R	59.00	3
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS		F	155.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	68.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	22.50-23.00		22.75	480
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.00		19.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	19.75	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	21.00	104
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	56.14	1,012

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.