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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to firm on hens and 16-24 lb. toms. Inquiries were light to fair, best for fall shipments. Offerings were generally balanced with inquiries. Trading was light. Trade sentiment was fully steady on thigh meat and hen v-type wings, barely steady to steady on tom drums. Bulk parts trading was spotty, bulk meat trading slow to fair.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Inquiry was light on tom full cut and v-type wings, light to fair on tom drums, fair to good on thigh meat. Fair volumes of thigh meat, tails and mechanically separated turkey moved into export channels.



**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 03, 1999**

	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/	71-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-72	71	71.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	71	71.00	40	-	-	-	-	-

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 03 AUGUST 1999.

Trade sentiment steady to instances weak on tom full-cut wings with offerings noted as low as 17 cents delivered, 2-joint wings steady, necks and 4-8 lb. breasts steady to fully steady, tom drums steady to barely steady. Demand light to fair at best for domestic, exports light to good. Grade A 4-8 lb. +8% breasts 99 (2 loads) delivered September, plant grade breasts: 4-8 lb. (3 loads) 97.50 delivered September, 10-12 lb. 120 and 12-14 lb. 130 (mixed load) delivered current. Offerings of tom drums available as they continue to be pressured by competitively priced broiler leg quarters in export channels.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00		99.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	135.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.50		96.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	7
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	18.00-20.00		18.52	27
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	20.00		20.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	22.00		22.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	41.00	12
NECKS, TOM	15.50-16.00		15.63	27
NECKS, HEN	16.00		16.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	180.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	186.00-190.00		188.70	400
THIGH MEAT		F	46.33	120
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	73.67	120
TENDERLOINS	162.00		162.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	175.67	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	68.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	14.29	140
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	17.00-18.00		17.46	448
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	19.67	156
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	15.00	1,040
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	53.00-55.00		54.00	104

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**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	92-94
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	76-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	76-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-81

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-104

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 04 AUGUST 1999 .

Undertone steady to barely steady, mostly steady on fresh tom breast meat, tenderloins at least steady, thigh meat fully steady. Domestic demand light to fair at best with 4-8 lb.breast inquiry noted. Export interest light on full-cut and tom 2-joint wings, drums light to fair, hen 2-joint wings fair, thigh meat fair to good. Some industry members analyzing the recent USDA Russian aid pork purchases and the broiler leg quarter invitation. Body chopping skin (1 load) 12, destrapped tenders: (5 loads with age) 169, fresh (1 load) 174 cents delivered. For export: hen 2-joint wings (1 container) 44 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	135.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	96.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	12
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	18.00		18.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	18.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	19.00-20.00		19.45	33
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	20.00-22.00		21.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	22.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	41.00	12
NECKS, TOM		T	15.63	27
NECKS, HEN		T	16.00	10
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	183.00		183.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	188.50-191.00		190.05	200
THIGH MEAT		F	46.33	120
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	49.00		49.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT	108.00		108.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	73.67	120
TENDERLOINS		T	162.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	173.00		173.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	68.00		68.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	14.29	140

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MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	50.00-55.00		52.08	196

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 8/04/99****POULTRY HEALTH BOARD ACCUMULATED**

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL BREEDERS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	
1999-2000	9854	45,549	45,549
1999-2000	14,390	34,325	34,325

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