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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on hens and toms. Offerings were light. Inquiries were spotty. Light trading centered on hens delivered East. A fair volume of 4-8lb grade A breasts traded for October shipments. Bulk meats and parts trading was sporadic. Severe weather conditions forced some plants in the East to close.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Spot trades centered on fresh and frozen tom drums, tails, thigh meat and and mechanically separated turkey.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **SEPTEMBER 14, 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/	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76	-	-	-	77.00	40	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	74	74.00	280	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-	74.00	40	OCT	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	75.25-76	75.25-76	75.42	360	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 14 SEPTEMBER 1999.

Undertone generally steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins. Tom drum undertone steady to fully steady with buyers resisting the higher trending offering prices, defatted gizzards fully steady to firm. Domestic inquiry light on bulk parts, light to fair on 4-8 lb. breasts and bulk meat. Export trading light with inquiry strongest on frozen thigh meat, drums and mechanically separated turkey. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat and bulk parts light to adequate, fresh destrapped tenderloins and mechanically separated turkey light. For export: tom defatted gizzards (1 load) 77 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	139.00	60
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	96.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	19.00		19.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00		21.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	22.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	17.00		17.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	18.04	54
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	175.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	189.00	440
THIGH MEAT		M	55.00	120
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	57.00		57.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	75.00	280
TENDERLOINS		F	158.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	174.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	60.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	18.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	18.00	20

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	18.00	240
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	17.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	22.00	104
TAILS	13.00		13.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	18.75	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.00		58.00	80

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/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	95-97
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	95-97
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	79-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	79-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	78-81

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SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-95
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-95
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-95
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-95
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 15 SEPTEMBER 1999 .

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on thigh meat and skin added mechanically separated turkey (MST) with frozen strongest on both MST and thigh meat. Wing meat and frozen tom breast meat trade sentiment barely steady at best. Fresh tom breast meat undertone generally steady with some sellers noting increased inquiry due to plant shut downs in the East from hurricane Floyd. Trading fair on Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts, balance light. Fresh wing meat with skin (1 load) 70, frozen Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts (10 loads) 107 Mid-October shipments, fresh destrapped tenderloin (1 load) 173 cents. For export: fresh tom drums (2 loads) 16.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	19.00		19.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	18.00-19.00		18.64	220
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	22.00		22.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		T	17.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	18.04	54
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	175.00		175.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	188.00		188.00	80
THIGH MEAT		M	55.00	120
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		T	57.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	75.00	280
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EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	16.50		16.50	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	17.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	22.00	104
TAILS	16.00		16.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.50		18.50	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	57.00		57.00	80

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA		W/E 9/15/99	
POULTRY HEALTH BOARD		ACCUMULATED	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDERS
1999-2000	-	42,360	42,360
1998-1999	-	83,881	83,881

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