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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment for 16-24 lb. toms and 8-16 lb. hens was steady to instances weak. Limited trading reported for prompt shipments at lower trending price levels. Offerings adequate to fully adequate for trade needs. Demand continued light for bulk parts, breast meat fair to good best on fresh. Trading slow on bulk parts, active on tom breast meat for prompt shipments.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading light to fair. Activity on frozen thigh meat to Mexico, mechanically separated turkey Mexico and Russia, and gizzards to Asia.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 30, 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/	74-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	74-75	74-75	74.46	412	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	68-69	68.36	560	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	73-75	73	73.00	160	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71.25-75	71.25	71.25	40	-	-	-	80	DEC
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-77	77	77.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 30 NOVEMBER 1999 .

Inquiry light to moderate with some interest noted on 4-8 lb. breasts and fresh tom breast meat for domestic. Export demand light to fair, centering on frozen thigh meat with some activity noted on frozen mechanically separated turkey and frozen tom breast meat. Trading light on all items. Offerings of bulk parts light to adequate and frozen thigh meat mixed.

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/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	30.00		30.00	9
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	28.00		28.00	6
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	30.00-32.00		31.09	34
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	29.00		29.00	6
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.00-28.00		27.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	17.00-19.00		18.00	37
NECKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	141.00		141.00	40
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		W	66.00	61
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	108.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		W	65.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	128.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.50		19.50	40*
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	18.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		W	28.50	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.50	832
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00-20.50		20.45	376
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	66.00-67.00		66.18	147

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#	103-104
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	103-104
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	80-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	80-82

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-104
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 01 DECEMBER 1999.

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on tom breast meat with fresh strongest for prompt shipments, however, some cautiousness is noted. Bulk part trade sentiment steady to barely steady with some spot availability noted on tom drums, wings and necks. Demand on fresh tom breast meat fair to good, light to fair on frozen. Bulk parts demand mixed with inquiry on drums light to good, tom 2-joint wings fair to good, necks and tails light. For domestic: tails (1 load) 14, plant graded basted 16-18 lb. breasts (part load) 128 cents delivered. For export: defatted gizzards (2 containers) 75-83 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	29.00		29.00	95
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	28.00		28.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	30.00-31.00		30.34	61
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	29.00	6
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	27.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		T	18.00	37
NECKS, HEN		T	18.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	140.00		140.00	240
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	139.00-143.00		140.47	550
THIGH MEAT	69.00		69.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	70.00-73.00		71.50	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	107.00		107.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	65.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	119.00-121.00		120.33	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	18.00		18.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.50		28.50	240
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00-29.50		29.25	208
TAILS	14.00		14.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00-23.00		18.71	308
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	65.00-69.00		66.88	490

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 12/01/99
POULTRY HEALTH BOARD ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
1999-2000	6,195	108,546	108,896
1998-1999	-	196,284	196,634

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