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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone steady to weak on whole turkeys. Demand and trading very slow with buyers taking a wait and see attitude. Supplies adequate to ample. Active trading on rib breast at uneven price levels. Fairly good volumes of frozen tom breast meat with a generally weak undertone. Remainder of items quiet.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light. Trading fairly good on tom drums going to Mexico, balance of items generally inactive.



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	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 19 JANUARY 2000.

Demand and trading continues to be active on Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts and light to fair on tom breast meat at lower trending price levels. Export demand and trading fair on tom drums at the 21-22 cent price level. Trading light on the balance of items. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts uneven with some buyers not agreeing with the sellers' assessment of the availability and strength of the market. Bulk parts and meat offerings generally available.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	104.50-105.00		104.99	1,480
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	102.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	24.53	150
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	22.00	48
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	27.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	30.00		30.00	23
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	24.00		24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	41.00	80
NECKS, TOM	15.00-17.00		15.37	98
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	145.00		145.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	149.00-152.50		149.70	100
THIGH MEAT		F	62.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	68.00		68.00	15
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	109.00	60
SCAPULA MEAT		W	65.00	60
TENDERLOINS		W	125.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		W	145.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	48.60	50
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00		15.00	20

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00-22.00		21.43	560
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	20.89	352
TAILS	16.00		16.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.33	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	63.00		63.00	40

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#	82-90
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	82-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	67-69
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-74

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	94-109
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/19/00

SEASON	POULTRY HEALTH BOARD ACCUMULATED		
	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
1999-2000	-	156,478	156,828
1998-1999	-	259,015	259,365

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