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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone steady to weak on whole turkeys with toms under the most pressure. Demand very light and trading inactive. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Parts and bulk meats trading light as most experiencing delays in shipping and deliveries. Some plants in the East not working or closing early due to continued adverse winter weather conditions.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light. Trading generally inactive with reported sales of tom drums going to Asia. Offerings adequate.



**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 25, 2000**

	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
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 25 JANUARY 2000.

Demand and trading light in the East with adverse winter weather conditions there either causing plant closings or delayed deliveries. Trading slow for the balance of the country. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts available with truck load volumes of plant grades noted at 99 cents and Grade As at 103 cents delivered. Fresh and frozen mechanically separated turkey offerings available.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	103.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	103.00		103.00	7
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		R	21.83	82
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	27.00		27.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		M	14.53	43
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	145.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		W	149.70	100
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	62.33	60
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	109.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS		F	120.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	135.00		135.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	139.36	55
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	46.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	13.00-15.00		14.33	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	20.00	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	21.29	364
TAILS		R	17.86	288
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	60.00	160

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#	67-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-67
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-73

**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

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Undertone barely steady to instances weak on fresh tom breast meat, destrapped tenderloins, 4-8 lb. breasts and tom drums. Market activity is showing signs of improvement on fresh tom breast meat with some buyers starting to show interest in establishing freezer programs. Export interest in tom drums showing signs of improvement, however, some buyers remain cautious and take a wait and see position as they watch for further market developments. Trading light on Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts at lower trending price levels and on destrapped tenderloins.

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WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		M	14.53	43
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	145.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	140.00-148.00		142.13	310
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	65.00		65.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	109.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS		F	120.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	135.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	138.00		138.00	10
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	49.00		49.00	12
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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/26/99**

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD		ACCUMULATED	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
1999-2000	21,612	178,090	178,440
1998-1999	14,306	273,321	273,671