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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady, mostly fully steady on hens and consumer sized toms with hens the strongest. Demand light to instances fair for current shipments, fair to good for deferred. Some interest is noted on fresh hens for Easter. Open priced frozen private label basted-netted-timed trading heavy with hen price ceilings noted at 65 April, 67 May, 69 June, 72 July and 74 cents delivered August. The toms had price ceilings of 63 April, 65 May, 67 June, 70 July and 72 cents delivered August. Offerings light to adequate. Domestic parts trading light.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Undertone steady to fully steady on drums and 2-joint wings, mixed on frozen thigh meat ranging from barely steady to fully steady and steady to barely steady on 3-joint wings. Demand fair to good on tom drums and light to good on thigh meat. Trading light for Mexico and Asia.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	76-100
BREASTS 10-12#	131-138
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	
	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	82-90
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-72

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/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	64-65.5	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-65	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	64-65.5	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	61-63.5	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	61-62.5	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	61-63.5	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-
2600	APR-AUG
-	-
-	-
2480	APR-AUG
-	-

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.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 MARCH 2000.

Undertone mixed on frozen thigh meat ranging from barely steady to fully steady. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on tom drums, however, some are unable to obtain prices reported by other industry members. Trading slow on all items. Offerings of tom drums light with most held with confidence, frozen thigh meat light to sometimes adequate.

DOMESTIC TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	102.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	95.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	26.00		26.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	24.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	22.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	22.00	174
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	25.00		25.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	25.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	35.00	10
NECKS, TOM		F	15.85	94
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	171.67	60
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	181.08	260
THIGH MEAT		F	63.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	64.71	140
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	72.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	157.90	200
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	43.32	62
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	17.00	138

EXPORT TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00-24.25		24.18	144
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	20.12	356
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	18.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	16.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	63.00		63.00	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/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.