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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens and toms steady to fully steady, hens in the tightest position. Frozen demand moderate with most interest for deferred shipments. Fairly good trading for open priced private label hens and toms for May thru October deliveries. Parts and meats trading generally slow.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light to moderate. Trading light and influenced by the Easter holiday. Interest centered on drums and thigh meat going to 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#	79-94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	76-100
BREASTS 10-12#	138-143
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#	82-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71-72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	69-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-74

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/	67	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	63-64	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	62-63	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	63-64	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

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

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-
-	-
3600	MAY-OCT
-	-
-	-
7600	MAY-OCT

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 17 APRIL 2000.

Market activity was sporadic. Many buyers were waiting to evaluate next week's needs and were buying hand to mouth for current negotiations. Domestic sales centered on meat items. Fresh tom breast meat and destrapped tenders were mostly steady, thigh meat was soft. Tom parts were more available and the market tone was barely steady. Export trading was very light. Five loads of drummettes moved into export channels.

DOMESTIC TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	105.00	960
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	24.00	9
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	23.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	23.30	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	19.53	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	24.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	21.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	37.00	20
NECKS, TOM		F	16.00	24
NECKS, HEN		T	15.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	170.00		170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	179.00		179.00	120
THIGH MEAT	64.00		64.00	30
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	65.28	125
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	80.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	160.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	171.53	300
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	44.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	13.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.50		17.50	280

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	23.69	608
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	20.00	208
TAILS	20.00		20.00	108
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	63.50		63.50	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.