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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on hens and toms. Plants were active packing previously committed product, however no new trades were reported. Supplies remained adequate and held with confidence. Light trading centered on bulk breast meat items.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export activity was fair at best.

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JULY 28, 2000	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	72.50 **	72.10 **	72.60 **
CENTRAL REGION	71.50 **	71.28	70.40 **
WESTERN REGION	72.00 **	71.70 **	71.10 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	69.50 **	69.10 **	73.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	68.00 **	68.00	71.25 **
WESTERN REGION	69.00 **	68.70 **	72.00 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	84-92
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	85-92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	77-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	74-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	76-83

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	78-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	78-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	78-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	86-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	92-102

**FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT U.S. GRADE A,
DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS
PER POUND, WEEK OF 31-JUL-2000**

	<u>(8-16#)</u>		<u>(16-24#)</u>	
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>LBS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
	<u>PRICE (000)</u>	<u>PRICE (000)</u>	<u>PRICE (000)</u>	<u>PRICE (000)</u>
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	76.00	80	73.00	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	76.00	80	73.00	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)				
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)				

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND
(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)****SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS**

JUNE	518,128*
JULY 1-22, 2000	286,386*
To date 2000	2,916,171*
To date 1999	2,839,256*

* PRELIMINARY

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NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTSBY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 22-Jul-2000
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	--YOUNG TURKEYS--			FRYER RSTR	OLD BANDED	TOTAL TKY HEAD	TKY AVG WT
	THOUSAND	% CHG	AVG				
	HEAD	PW	WT				
N EAST	848	-1	22.18	(A)	(A)	850	22.18
S ATL	837	-9	27.40	(A)	(A)	839	27.40
N CENT	2,413	-1	28.26	(A)	(A)	2,415	28.26
S CENT	550	-13	20.81	(A)	(A)	552	20.81
WEST	424	28	21.15	(A)	(A)	426	21.15
U.S.TOTAL	5,072(B)	-2	25.70	0	10	5,082	25.71
TO DATE							
2000	132,582(B)			166	869	133,617	
TO DATE							
1999	136,291(B)			55	972	137,318	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 21,000 for the year 546,000; last year to date 408,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 22-Jul-2000

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS			
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,147	2,904	21	10	5,082
AVG WT	15.71	33.11	22.13	25.64	25.70
LAST WEEK	2,223	2,925	36	15	5,199
SAME WEEK YR AGO	4,604(B)		29	37	4,670
AVG WT	25.19(B)		24.31	26.11	25.20
TO-DATE/2000	132,202(B)		546	869	133,617
TO-DATE/1999	135,938(B)		408	972	137,318

(A) Includes 166,000 fryer/roasters in 2000 and 55,000 in 1999.

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 27 JULY 2000.

Light trading on fresh tom breast meat was at steady to slightly higher values. Inquiries for hen drums and wings exceeded the tight supply. Tom parts were available for the light domestic demand. Thigh meat was barely steady and most interest was into export channels. One load of fresh wing meat moved at 44 cents. One container of frozen whole tenders delivered port at 135.

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/		F	149.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		W	24.20	100
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	25.00		25.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	21.13	115
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	23.00		23.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	22.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	46.00		46.00	20
NECKS, TOM		W	12.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	177.00-179.00		178.00	120
THIGH MEAT		F	58.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	57.00		57.00	60
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	119.00	7
SCAPULA MEAT	104.00-105.00		104.59	170
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	148.00		148.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	173.00-174.00		173.50	24
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	15.00	30
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-17.00		16.60	100
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00-26.00		25.15	344
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.00		22.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	24.00	208
TAILS		W	19.50	400
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00		14.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	56.00		56.00	80

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.

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Thigh meat was available with most trades into export channels. Supplies of breast trims were limited and fresh breast meat was about adequate. The market tone on fresh breast meat ranged steady to firm, fresh and frozen destrapped tenders were steady. One load of fresh scapula traded at 106 seller's dock. Tom parts were at least adequate for the light demand, most hen parts were tight. Plants kept production of mechanically separated turkey in a close balance with demand.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	149.00	20		
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		W	24.20	100	24.76	340
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		R	25.00	40	25.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	31.00	20	31.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	21.13	115	21.13	115
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	23.00	20	23.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	22.00	80	22.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	46.00	20	46.00	20
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	160	13.70	215
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	175.00-177.00		176.29	56	176.64	496
THIGH MEAT		F	58.00	40		
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		R	57.00	60	57.00	60
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	119.00	7		
SCAPULA MEAT		R	104.59	170	104.59	170
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	148.00		148.00	40	147.31	520
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	175.00		175.00	40	173.80	264
WING MEAT WITH SKIN						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	16.00		16.00	40	15.57	70
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		R	16.60	100	16.60	100
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	25.15	344	23.70	806
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	22.00	120	21.32	752
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	21.00-22.00		21.50	208	21.50	208
TAILS		W	19.50	400	19.50	400
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	14.00	52	14.83	396
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	55.00-55.50		55.32	328	56.43	732

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