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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment steady to firm on hens and toms. Offerings varied and ranged from limited in the East, available in the Central Region and mixed in the West. Most plants concentrated on packing for previous commitments. Demand for fresh breast meat from current week production was fairly good for pre-holiday processing schedules. Grade A 4-8lb breasts were fully steady. Hen and tom v-type wings were tight and strong, the tom drum market tone was irregular.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Light volumes of drums, full-cut and v-type wings, livers and gizzards sold to Asia and Mexico.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 22, 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
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73.5-74	73.5-74	73.99	655	75.00	40	SEP	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71	71	71.00	400	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	74-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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EASTERN REGION 3/	71-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 22 AUGUST 2000.

Undertone on bulk parts steady to barely steady on necks, steady on tom full-cut wings, and steady to firm on 2-joint wings and hen drums. Bulk parts demand light to fair with the best interest noted on drums and 2-joint wings. Offerings of necks adequate to fully adequate, tom full-cut wings adequate and in better balance when compared to last week, 2-joint wings light at best, hen drums tight, tom drums mixed and ranged from light to adequate. Domestic trading centered on a fair volume of fresh tom breast meat and was light on the balance of items. Export trading centered on a moderately light volume of tom drums with the balance consisting mostly of spot loads. For export: defatted gizzards 67-68, scapula 108 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	108.00	41
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	100.00	800
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	26.00		26.00	3
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		R	25.00	24
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	32.00	6
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.00		22.00	13
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.00		26.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	56.00		56.00	40
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	16
NECKS, HEN		R	15.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	164.00	8
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	176.50-182.00		178.71	450
THIGH MEAT	58.00		58.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		M	56.00	4
BREAST TRIM MEAT	123.00		123.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		W	108.00	40
TENDERLOINS		R	139.00	9
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	144.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	174.44	180
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	38.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	13.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.50		16.50	15

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00-27.50		25.70	369
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	20.01	576
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	208
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	55.26	444

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#	90-94
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	87-94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	78-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	75-77
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-80

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
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

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 AUGUST 2000.

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins at least steady. Demand improved to fair to good. Frozen tom breast meat and frozen destrapped tenderloins barely steady at best with offerings exceeding the limited inquiry. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on thigh meat with some noting increased availability at the higher trending offering price levels. The tom drum trade sentiment ranged from steady at best to fully steady for the fair inquiry. Trading centered on a fair volume of fresh tom breast meat, light on the balance of items. Some spot loads of Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts were noted at steady to higher trending prices. Fresh 4-8 lb. breasts traded 139 cents delivered November for domestic and defatted gizzards 80.50 cents delivered port.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	100.00	800
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	26.00	3
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		R	25.00	24
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	32.00		32.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	20.00		20.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00		30.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	56.00	40
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	15.00	15
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	158.00		158.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	178.00-180.00		179.69	520
THIGH MEAT		T	58.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	56.00		56.00	8
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	123.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		W	108.00	40
TENDERLOINS		R	139.00	9
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	144.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	175.00		175.00	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	38.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	13.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00		17.00	20
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00		24.00	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.00		20.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.00		26.00	104
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	15.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	55.00		55.00	144

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 08/23/00

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD		ACCUMULATED	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES*	BREEDS*
2000-2001	10,236	54,709	54,709
1999-2000	37,259	82,808	82,808

*Correction - end of 1999-2000 season cumulative totals as of 06/31/00 should have read: *380,795 *381,145