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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for frozen 8-16 lbs. hens and 16-24 lbs. toms steady to fully steady, instances firm on hens. No trading reported. Offerings of frozen whole birds light, however toms and heavier weight hens are becoming more available. Bulk parts and meats trading seasonally slow due to the upcoming holiday. On time deliveries and transportation cost major concerns during the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday period.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading generally slow. Limited trading taking place going to the Caribbean Islands and Mexico. Most processors holding product with confidence as production of parts and meats slow due to bagging of whole birds for the holidays. Sale noted on export whole birds 81 cents to the port.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **OCTOBER 31, 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/	80-81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	78-79	79	79.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	80-81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	74-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	80-81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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CENTRAL REGION	73-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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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 31 OCTOBER 2000.

Further processed demand has seasonally slowed for some processors due to the upcoming November holiday resulting in increased fresh breast meat offerings. Fresh tom breast meat trade sentiment barely steady at best. Most processors continued to remain confident about frozen thigh meat for export with only limited offerings noted. Offerings of tom drums light to ample, mostly adequate to ample for the light to fair demand. Tom full-cut wing offerings light to fully adequate, mostly adequate to fully adequate with some continuing to note increased availability. Full-cut wing inquiry light to fair. Tom neck inquiry exceeded the limited offers. Hen necks, however, are available and are not held in as confident hands as tom necks. Some industry members are starting to watch for transportation problems due to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	110.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		W	138.00	60
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	99.33	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	29.00-30.00		29.26	54
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	33.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	27.00		27.00	37
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	25.50		25.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	27.00		27.00	124
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	53.00	40
NECKS, TOM	17.00-18.00		17.19	37
NECKS, HEN		R	15.00	3
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	183.00		183.00	40
THIGH MEAT		R	71.00	6
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	66.67	150
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	119.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	112.00	20
TENDERLOINS		R	138.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	154.00		154.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	181.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	55.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	16.37	760

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	29.65	400
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	22.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	21.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	72.06	640

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#	96-104
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	104
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	84-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	79-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	79-81

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	91-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	91-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	91-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	91-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	92-104

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Trade sentiment steady to instances barely steady on frozen tom breast meat with instances of increased availability noted at lower trending price levels, frozen destrapped tenderloins cautiously steady. Offerings of frozen tom breast meat light to fully adequate, mostly adequate. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on frozen thigh meat. Frozen thigh meat demand slow to fair for the light offerings. Tom drum and to full-cut wing trade sentiment steady to barely steady. Offerings in a full range, but mostly adequate to fully adequate. Neck trade sentiment steady to instances firm on toms, hens about steady. Neck demand light on hens, fair on toms. Offerings of hen necks adequate, toms light. Some sellers have noted a less aggressive Russian buyer interest on some items while others continued to note active inquiry.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	108.00		108.00	14
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		W	138.00	60
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	99.33	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	29.26	54
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	27.00	37
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	25.00		25.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	53.00	40
NECKS, TOM	19.00		19.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	15.00	3
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		T	183.00	40
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TENDERLOINS	135.00		135.00	20
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DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	181.00-183.00		182.33	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	55.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00		16.00	40

## EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.00		28.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	27.00		27.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	22.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	22.00		22.00	208
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	73.00		73.00	80

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 11/01/00**

**POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

SEASON	HEAVY	ACCUMULATED HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2000-2001	3,903	111,505	111,755
1999-2000	15,432	142,672	143,022

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