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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment for 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms steady to barely steady. Current shipments finding little interest at this time. Offerings generally available. Parts and meats trading and demand slow as most buyers taking a wait and see attitude toward the market. Balance of items finding limited interest. Offerings available.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export trading generally light, but showing some signs of improvement with a moderate volume of frozen thigh meat moving at lower trending price levels. Also, a moderate volume of tom drums moved at steady to higher prices for February shipments. Demand mixed, some items finding more interest for immediate shipment.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 30, 2001**

	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/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 31, 2001**

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/		60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/		58-61	61	61.00	560	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/		60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/		59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/		57-60	59-60	59.50	400	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/		59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degree 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 30 JANUARY 2001.

Undertone about steady on fresh tom breast meat with some sellers having indicated increased confidence in the market as a result of increased inquiry. Domestic demand slow to instances moderate on bulk parts. However, increased export inquiry was noted on drums and some improved interest was noted on full-cut wings for Russia and Eastern Europe. Domestic trading centered on part load volumes. Plant grade basted breasts traded at 94 cents delivered on 10-16 lb. sizes and 95 cents delivered on 16-20 lb. sizes. Export trading light with frozen young tom thigh meat from current production sold at lower trending price levels and tom drums sold at steady to higher prices.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	99.44	2,720
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.00		96.00	5
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	23.00		23.00	4
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	23.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	22.00-25.00		23.71	7
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.50-23.00		22.21	21
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	23.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	27.00		27.00	5
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	27.00	15
NECKS, TOM	27.00-28.00		27.31	29
NECKS, HEN	25.00		25.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	149.83	480
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	151.08	480
THIGH MEAT	64.00		64.00	6
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		M	67.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	111.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	111.88	16
TENDERLOINS		R	120.00	60
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	126.67	240
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	137.00	280
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	57.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	15.90	840
EXPORT TRADING DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.00-25.50		24.67	156
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.00		20.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	26.00	104
TAILS T			19.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.00	1,660
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	59.00-63.00		60.11	144

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
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-83

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	98-109
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	87-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	92-99

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 31 JANUARY 2001.

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins due in part to the active inquiry noted for prompt shipments. Offerings for prompt deliveries ranged from short to light, light to adequate for deferred. Undertone about steady on 4-8 lb. breasts with some sellers noting active inquiry and plant grades being a bigger draw than Grade As. Trade sentiment on fresh thigh meat showed signs of increased confidence as a result of increased domestic inquiry. Domestic trading light. Export demand showed signs of improvement on frozen thigh meat at the lower trending price levels with a moderate volume reported for current shipments. A fair volume of tom drums traded at steady to higher prices for February export shipments.

<u>DOMESTIC TRADING</u>	<u>PRICE RANGE</u>	<u>L.S.T. CODE 1/</u>	<u>WTD AVG PRICE</u>	<u>VOLUME (000)</u>
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	102.00		102.00	7
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	96.00	5
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	23.00	4
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	24.00		24.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	22.00		22.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	22.21	21
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	23.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	27.00	5
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	27.00	15
NECKS, TOM	27.00		27.00	40
NECKS, HEN		T	25.00	14
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	149.83	480
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	153.00-154.00		153.67	120
THIGH MEAT		T	64.00	6
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	64.00		64.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	111.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	111.88	16
TENDERLOINS		R	120.00	60
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	130.00		130.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	137.00	280
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	55.00		55.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	15.90	840

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.00-24.00		23.80	400
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	19.00		19.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	26.00	104
TAILS	19.00		19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	56.00-60.00		57.36	472

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/31/01

<u>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</u>		<u>ACCUMULATED</u>	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDERS
2000-2001	2,813	223,081	223,331
1999-2000	5,511	229,150	229,500

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