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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone continued steady on retail size hens and toms. Confirmed sales were extremely light, with most buyers and sellers in negotiations. Offerings for prompt shipments are light to adequate. Some buyers note trend of packers reluctant to pack private labeled whole turkeys.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Limited trading noted on tom drums, tom wings and thigh meat. Inquires for tom drums were met by higher trending asking prices for March production as current production was difficult to secure. Thigh meat availability varied by plant as some plants had committed product into March production.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	82-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	79-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	79-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	86-102

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	67-83
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	83-86
BREASTS 10-12#	140
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	
	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	67-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-83

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/	60-62	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-60	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	59-60	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

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

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-
80	MARCH
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

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 12 FEBRUARY 2001.

Undertone steady to fully steady on tom breast meat. Demand was fair and trading moderately heavy on tom breast meat with continued interest still noted for freezer programs. Tom drum undertone was fully steady to firm with most of the strength due to exports. Trading was light on tom drums for late February - early March shipments at higher trending prices. Offerings were held with confidence. The undertone on full-cut wings and necks was steady for the light to adequate offerings. The 15-20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) undertone ranged from steady on frozen to steady to fully steady on fresh. Demand light to fair. MST trading centered on a fair volume of fresh for current shipments at steady to sometimes higher trending prices. Offerings of MST ranged light to adequate.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	101.00	7
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	97.00	7
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	24.00	26
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	25.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	22.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	21.20	50
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		M	22.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	27.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	29.00	36
NECKS, TOM	27.00		27.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	24.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	149.00-150.00		149.33	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	152.00-158.00		155.50	640
THIGH MEAT	59.00		59.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	62.00	90
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	116.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		M	111.71	34
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	130.00		130.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	140.67	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	58.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00-17.00		15.75	560
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.00		28.00	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	19.00		19.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.71	225
TAILS		F	21.42	144
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.95	204
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	60.00		60.00	54

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.