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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment for retail size hens and toms was steady. Negotiations continued for Thanksgiving product. Offers were generally adequate, however some buyers continued to be hesitant to commit to sales. Bulk parts ranged steady to fully steady with the exception of necks, which were weak. Necks were available, however other parts were in close balance to tight. Thigh meat was steady to barely steady as some sellers were reluctant to trade at the low prices that surfaced last week.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Limited export trading centered on tom drums and tom necks.

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	58.5-60	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	60-61	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

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

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

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

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 20 FEBRUARY 2001.

Bulk parts undertone fully steady on drums and hen 2-joint wings, full-cut wings and tom 2-joint wings at least steady, and necks barely steady at best. The undertone on thigh meat was steady at best. Some industry members have noted renewed confidence in the thigh meat market while others still see weakness. Demand light to fair. Domestic trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey and on a light volume of fresh tom breast meat. Export trading light and centered on drums. Tom necks traded at 25.50 cents delivered port for export. Export offerings of tom drums ranged from short to light and held with confidence, thigh meat adequate to fully adequate.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	97.00		97.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		W	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	91.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00		27.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	23.00		23.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.00		22.00	46
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	32.00-33.50		32.75	160
NECKS, TOM		F	25.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	150.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	152.00-156.00		153.78	360
THIGH MEAT		F	53.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	58.50	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	115.00	10
SCAPULA MEAT		F	111.38	136
TENDERLOINS		F	120.00	14
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	145.00		145.00	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	56.30	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00-16.00		15.53	640
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.75-29.50		28.31	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	20.43	184
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.17	312
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	55.18	448

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.