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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 generally steady, however toms remain unsettled. No trading reported. Offerings adequate. Demand for whole birds ranged from light to moderate with most interest for deferred arrivals. Bulk parts and meats trading light to moderate. A moderately heavy volume of tom breast meat and a fair volume of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey traded, balance light. Inventories remain closely balanced and held with confidence.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand light to moderate with interest noted from the Carriibbean, China, Mexico and Russia. Trading light to start the week and centered on a light volume of frozen thigh meat.

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	93-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	89-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	89-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-101

### 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)
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	60.5-64	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-63	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	61-62	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>				
EASTERN REGION	59-63	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	58-61	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	59-61	-	-	-

#### 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 19 MARCH 2001.

Trade sentiment on frozen tom breast meat fully steady, fresh tom breast meat steady to fully steady mostly steady. Demand fair on fresh tom breast meat with a less aggressive buyer interest noted and offerings not as tight as previous weeks. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on the balance of the white meat items. Domestic trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of fresh tom breast meat and on a fair volume of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey, balance light. Export demand ranged light to fair with interest noted from the Caribbean, China, Mexico and Russia. Trading centered on light volumes of frozen thigh meat for export. Some tom necks traded at 24 and frozen mature thigh meat at 63 cents delivered for export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	103.00	1,400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	152.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	92.33	240
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	30.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	30.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	26.00	76
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	32.55	94
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	28.61	99
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	37.00	80
NECKS, TOM		F	24.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	162.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	173.00-178.00		175.24	680
THIGH MEAT		R	65.00	16
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	62.00		62.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	115.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	114.00		114.00	280
TENDERLOINS		F	133.00	15
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	149.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	150.00-155.00		153.28	123
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	62.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	17.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-17.50		16.86	560

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	30.00		30.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	30.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.00		28.00	104
TAILS		R	26.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	64.00-66.00		64.57	280

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.