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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on 8-16 lb. hens, 16-24 lb. toms were steady to barely steady. No sales reported. Demand was light as buyers remain cautious toward the market. Offers were adequate to fully adequate. Activity was light on bulk parts and bulk meats, except fairly heavy movement of tom breast meat and 15-20 % mechanically separated turkey.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand continues to be mixed. Market activity slow as movement for export consisted mainly of light volumes.

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	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	62-65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	62-65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 22 MAY 2001.

Trade sentiment on destrapped tenderloins was steady to barely steady, mostly steady. Demand light for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. Bulk parts trade sentiment was generally steady on hen items and steady to barely steady on tom parts. Demand slow. Domestic and export trading was light on all items. Part loads of non-basted Grade A 10-12 lb. breasts traded at 110 and 12-14 lb. Grade A non-basted breasts at 115 cents delivered domestic. A part load of drumettes traded at 21 cents shipping point.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	101.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00-31.00		27.88	64
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	27.67	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	33.00		33.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	29.00		29.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	27.50	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	50.00		50.00	9
NECKS, TOM	28.50-30.00		28.85	52
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	165.00		165.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	170.67	120
THIGH MEAT		R	69.00	10
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS	136.00		136.00	12
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	137.00		137.00	200
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	137.00		137.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	66.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	18.33	60
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.50		27.50	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	33.00	104
TAILS		F	28.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	18.00	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	67.86	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.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96-98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	70-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-76

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	84-102
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	81-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	93-101

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 MAY 2001.

Increased interest and confidence was being noted on fresh tom breast meat and tenderloins with some buyers seeking additional product beyond normal commitments. Some sellers also noted improved movement of their own cooked and deli items resulting in less product available for the spot market. The upcoming holiday processing schedules, according to some, is also playing a factor concerning the availability of product for current shipments. The mechanically separated turkey (MST) market was steady to fully steady. Increased interest was noted on fresh MST for domestic shipments with buyers of both fresh and frozen sometimes finding only limited offerings. Domestic trading was active on fresh MST and fresh tom breast meat, balance light. Export trading consisted of light volumes.

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DRUMSTICKS, TOM	29.00		29.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	27.67	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	33.00	3
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WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	27.50	30
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	50.00	9
NECKS, TOM		T	28.85	52
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	164.00-165.00		164.33	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	166.00-171.00		168.92	1,040
THIGH MEAT		R	69.00	10
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS	135.00		135.00	160
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	135.00		135.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	141.00-143.00		142.33	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	64.50		64.50	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-19.00		17.13	1,600

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.00		27.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	27.00-32.00		29.50	240
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.00		26.00	104
TAILS		F	28.00	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	120
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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 05/23/01**POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2000-2001	28,475	378,800	379,050
1999-2000	19,648	350,105	350,455