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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone continued steady on hens and 16-24lb toms for current shipment. Offerings were adequate, however they varied by location. Inquiries were about fair. Bulk parts were usually balanced with demand. Tom drums moved into a closer supply situation and trended steadier than the earlier in the week. Thigh meat was in a closer balance and close to steady. Mechanically separated turkey was weak.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export activity was fair on two containers of tom necks delivered port at 27 cents. Inquiries fair.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 27, 2001**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

| | OFFERS | SALES | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 65-67 | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 64-66 | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 65-67 | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION | 61-64 | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION | 60-62 | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION | 61-63 | - | - | - |

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

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

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

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

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 26, 2001**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

| | OFFERS | SALES | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 65-67 | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 64-66 | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 65-67 | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION | 61-64 | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION | 60-62 | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION | 61-63 | - | - | - |

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.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK ENDING JULY 27, 2001

| | CURRENT WEEK | LAST WEEK | SAME WEEK YEAR AGO |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | |
| EASTERN REGION | 65.00 | 66.66 | 72.50** |
| CENTRAL REGION | 65.00** | 64.50 | 71.50** |
| WESTERN REGION | 66.00** | 66.00** | 72.00** |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | |
| EASTERN REGION | 62.50** | 61.18 | 69.50** |
| CENTRAL REGION | 61.00** | 61.00 | 68.00** |
| WESTERN REGION | 62.00** | 62.00** | 69.00** |

**BASED ON OFFERS

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

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 98 |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 98 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 72-76 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 68-76 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 68-76 |

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

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS | 87-102 |
| 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 |

**FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT U.S. GRADE A,
DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS
PER POUND, WEEK OF 30-JUL-2001**

| | <u>(8-16#)</u> | | <u>(16-24#)</u> | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | <u>HENS</u> | <u>LBS TOMS</u> | <u>LBS</u> | <u>LBS</u> |
| | <u>PRICE</u> | <u>(000)</u> | <u>PRICE</u> | <u>(000)</u> |
| SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED) | 71.08 | 52 | 69.00 | 10 |
| SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED) | 71.08 | 52 | 69.00 | 10 |
| SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY) | | | | |
| SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED) | | | | |

TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| JUNE | 457,890* |
| JULY 1-21, 2001 | 299,108* |
| To date 2001 | 2,860,880* |
| To date 2000 | 2,916,171* |

* PRELIMINARY

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTSBY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 21-Jul-2001
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

| | <u>-----YOUNG TURKEYS-----</u> | | | <u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u> | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------|
| | <u>PCT</u> | <u>AVG</u> | <u>OLD</u> | <u>AVG</u> | |
| | <u>CHG</u> | <u>LIVE</u> | <u>BANDED</u> | <u>LIVE</u> | |
| | <u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u> | <u>PW</u> | <u>WT</u> | <u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u> | <u>WT</u> |
| N EAST | 845 | 2 | 21.70 | (A) 850 | 21.70 |
| S ATL | 653 | -24 | 30.14 | (A) 658 | 30.14 |
| N CENT | 2,404 | 4 | 28.68 | (A) 2,409 | 28.68 |
| S CENT | 432 | 1 | 20.90 | (A) 437 | 20.90 |
| WEST | 514 | 13 | 25.91 | (A) 518 | 25.91 |
| U.S.TOTAL | 4,848(B) | -1 | 26.67 | 24 4,872 | 26.67 |
| TO DATE | | | | | |
| 2001 | 136,214(B) | | | 348 136,562 | |
| TO DATE | | | | | |
| 2000 | 134,766(B) | | | 885 135,651 | |

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 45,000; for the year 1,129,000; last year to date 504,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

WEEK ENDING 21-Jul-2001

| | <u>YOUNG</u> | | <u>YOUNG</u> | <u>OLD</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| | <u>HENS</u> | <u>TOMS</u> | <u>BREEDERS</u> | | |
| | <u>-----THOUSANDS-----</u> | | | | |
| HEAD | 2,000 | 2,803 | 45 | 24 | 4,872 |
| AVG WT | 16.29 | 34.12 | 24.27 | 27.62 | 26.67 |
| LAST WEEK | 2,013 | 2,808 | 65 | 15 | 4,901 |
| SAME WK YR AGO | 2,147 | 2,904 | 21 | 10 | 5,082 |
| AVG WT | 15.71 | 33.11 | 22.13 | 25.64 | 25.70 |
| TO-DATE/2001 | 57,737 | 77,348 | 1,129 | 348 | 136,562 |
| TO-DATE/2000 | 134,262 (A) | | 504 | 885 | 135,651 |

(A) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

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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 26 JULY 2001.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was about steady. Tom drums and frozen thigh meat mixed, some reporting closely balanced inventories while others showing adequate offerings at barely steady levels. Demand generally slow and selective. Trading light to moderate, most sellers showing limited availability on parts due to previous commitments. Export demand and trading was fair.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | W | 98.00 | 200 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | W | 93.00 | 80 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | 28.00 | | 28.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | | W | 30.00 | 22 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | 29.00 | | 29.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | W | 29.00 | 20 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | W | 29.00 | 62 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | W | 50.00 | 20 |
| NECKS, TOM | 27.50 | | 27.50 | 80 |
| NECKS, HEN | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | | W | 176.93 | 150 |
| THIGH MEAT | 58.00 | | 58.00 | 40 |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | | | | |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | W | 114.00 | 40 |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | W | 121.00 | 20 |
| TENDERLOINS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | | M | 151.40 | 300 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | W | 66.60 | 100 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 22.00 | | 22.00 | 200 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | 26.00-29.00 | | 27.41 | 352 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | F | 27.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 27.00 | | 27.00 | 104 |
| TAILS | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 20.00-24.00 | | 22.00 | 200 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | | W | 57.56 | 360 |

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.

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The market tone on fresh tom breast meat was about steady. Tom drums and frozen thigh meat mixed ranging from fully steady to barely steady. Demand light with buyers being selective. Trading light with offerings limited. Export demand fair. Trading was inactive. For export 2 containers of tom necks 27 cents to the East Coast.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | LST CDE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) | WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE | WEEKLY VOLUME (000) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | W | 98.00 | 200 | 98.00 | 200 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | | | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | W | 93.00 | 80 | 93.00 | 80 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | | R | 28.00 | 40 | 28.00 | 240 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | 27.00-28.00 | | 27.20 | 200 | 27.20 | 200 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | | W | 30.00 | 22 | 30.00 | 37 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | | R | 29.00 | 40 | 29.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | W | 29.00 | 20 | 29.00 | 20 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | W | 29.00 | 62 | 29.00 | 62 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | W | 50.00 | 20 | 50.00 | 20 |
| NECKS, TOM | | R | 27.50 | 80 | 27.67 | 120 |
| NECKS, HEN | | | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | W | 176.93 | 150 | 175.75 | 870 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | | R | 58.00 | 40 | 58.00 | 155 |
| THIGH MEAT | | | | | | |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | | | | | | |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | W | 114.00 | 40 | 114.00 | 40 |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | W | 121.00 | 20 | 121.00 | 20 |
| TENDERLOINS | | | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | 152.00 | | 152.00 | 40 | 151.47 | 340 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | W | 66.60 | 100 | 66.60 | 100 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 19.00-21.00 | | 20.27 | 150 | 22.64 | 910 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | | R | 27.41 | 352 | 27.04 | 592 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | F | 27.00 | 40 | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | R | 27.00 | 104 | 27.00 | 104 |
| TAILS | | | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | R | 22.00 | 200 | 21.11 | 360 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | | W | 57.56 | 360 | 57.56 | 360 |

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