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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady, mostly steady on hens. The consumer sized tom trade sentiment was generally steady with instances of increased confidence noted. Inquiry was uneven and ranged slow to sometimes fair with interest noted in some areas for August - September shipments. Trading centered in the West on a fair volume of frozen private label basted-netted hens and toms for prompt shipments. Offerings of hens ranged light to adequate, toms mixed with availability varying by processor. Bulk meat trading was active on fresh tom breast meat and fresh mechanically separated turkey, balance light. Bulk parts trading was slow.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading light. The market was firm on tom drums, steady to fully steady on thigh meat, and generally steady on tom wings. Demand light to fair with some noting a less aggressive buyer interest.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 14, 2001**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	160	SEP-OCT
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	62-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	120	SEP-OCT
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	62-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	66-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-66.25	65-66.25	65.63	240	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-67	66.25	66.25	400	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	62-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	61-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	62-64	62.25	62.25	400	-	-	-	-	-

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 14 AUGUST 2001.

The trade sentiment on drums continued fully steady to firm. Inquiry on tom drums was going unfilled and the limited offerings that were available were noted at higher trending price levels. Full-cut wing trade sentiment was mostly steady with some spot weakness noted on hen. Demand was light to fair for the generally adequate offerings. Two-joint wing trade sentiment was steady to fully steady with hens the strongest. Demand was slow to moderate for the light offerings. The trade sentiment on necks was generally steady with some spot weakness noted on hens. Demand for necks was light to fair with some noting increased buyer interest in the more competitively priced toms when compared to the hens. Trading was slow on all items. Grade A non-basted 16-18 lb. breasts traded at 115 cents delivered October and plant grade non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 107 cents delivered current.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	94.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	31.00		31.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	30.00		30.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	28.00		28.00	30
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	27.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	35
NECKS, TOM	28.00-28.50		28.17	181
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	166.78	90
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	175.87	300
THIGH MEAT	60.00		60.00	6
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	61.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	114.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	121.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	146.00		146.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	67.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00		14.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	17.10	294
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		R	30.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	25.67	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	17.00	264
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	59.50		59.50	156

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#	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#	69-76

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

	RANGE
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

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 AUGUST 2001.

Trade sentiment steady to fully steady, mostly steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins. Demand was slow to moderate. Offerings ranged light to adequate. Some processors are considering temporary slaughter schedule reductions to allow production to regain weight lost during the recent heat wave. Seller sentiment was steady to fully steady on frozen thigh meat, however, some industry members were noting decreased buyer inquiry. Offerings were light to adequate and generally held with increased confidence. Fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) showed signs of increased activity, however, buyers' needs were easily met. Priced trading centered on moderately heavy volumes of fresh tom breast meat and MST. Open priced fresh tom breast meat trading was heavy for September - October, 2001 shipments.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	94.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	30.00		30.00	2
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	27.00-28.00		27.10	134
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	27.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	29.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	50.00	35
NECKS, TOM	27.50-30.00		28.11	75
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	166.78	90
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	173.00-177.00		175.74	760
THIGH MEAT		T	60.00	6
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	61.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT	117.00		117.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	121.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	146.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	150.00-152.00		151.50	240
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	67.00		67.00	26
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-17.50		16.87	760

## EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	30.00-31.00		30.50	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.00-29.00		28.50	208
TAILS	29.00		29.00	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	17.00	264
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.50		58.50	40

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## ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2001-2002	1,458	75,337	75,337
2000-2001	14,220	44,473	44,473