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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for 8-16 lb. frozen hens steady, 16-24 lb. toms steady to weak. Trading light for frozen whole birds for prompt shipment. Interest noted on pricing of fresh turkeys for the upcoming holiday in December. Supplies of frozen whole birds were uneven, and ranged from short to adequate, with heavy toms (20 lb. and up) the most available. Some reporting offerings of resales of frozen whole birds due to excessive inventories. Bulk parts and meats trading light and centering on frozen tom drums. Demand remains seasonally slow.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading continued mixed and centered on moderately heavy volumes of tom drums, light volumes of frozen thigh meat and tom 2-joint wings. Balance of product lines finding light interest. Offerings generally adequate, except frozen thigh meat short.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 20, 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/	72-75	72	72.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	240	NOV-DEC
WESTERN REGION 5/	73-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-70	68	68.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	74	74.00	440	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	68	68.00	160	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degree 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 20 NOVEMBER 2001.

The trade sentiment was steady to weak on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins, steady at best on the balance of white meat items. Offerings adequate to ample with trims the least available. Bulk parts undertone was about steady on tom drums with offerings uneven, but overall readily available, and held with varying degrees of confidence. Tom drum offering prices ranged from 27-32 cents delivered. Tom 2-joint wing undertone was steady to barely steady as offering prices continued to trend lower. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. The hen 2-joint wing undertone was steady at best for the at least adequate offerings. The full-cut wing and neck undertone was steady to instances barely steady for the generally adequate offerings.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	107.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	98.00		98.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	29.00		29.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	34.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	30.00-31.00		30.38	52
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	37.00		37.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	35.00		35.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	31.00		31.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	49.00	40
NECKS, TOM	37.00		37.00	30
NECKS, HEN	30.00		30.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	135.00-137.00		136.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	142.00	80
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		W	72.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	127.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT	125.00		125.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	124.00		124.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	135.55	44
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	82.00		82.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	12.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	14.00		14.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	31.00-32.00		31.61	132
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	38.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	29.00	104
TAILS		R	32.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	14.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	74.00	80

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#	98-107
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98-107
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	79
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	73-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	75-78

**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 21 NOVEMBER 2001.

The market continued seasonally slow on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins in response to the upcoming long holiday weekend. Some plants were going to be down Friday due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Demand and trading on frozen tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins ranged light to fair at steady to lower trending price levels. Domestic bulk parts trading was light and centered on tom drums at mostly steady price levels. Export trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of tom drums and on light volumes of frozen thigh meat and tom 2-joint wings. Offerings of tom drums continued adequate to ample, tom 2-joint wings adequate to fully adequate, and thigh meat light.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	107.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	154.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	98.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	30.00-32.00		30.86	211
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	34.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	30.38	52
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	37.00-39.00		38.26	54
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	35.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	31.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	49.00	40
NECKS, TOM	37.00-39.00		38.54	87
NECKS, HEN		T	30.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	135.00		135.00	240
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	143.00		143.00	5
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	73.00		73.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	127.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT	125.00		125.00	80
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	118.00-121.00		119.20	400
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	128.00-137.00		132.91	44
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	81.00		81.00	72
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		T	14.00	40

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	30.00-32.00		31.15	612
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	39.00		39.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.00-29.00		28.50	208
TAILS		R	32.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	14.00		14.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	74.00-76.00		75.22	360

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<u>BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA</u>		<u>W/E 11/14/01</u>	
<u>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</u>		<u>ACCUMULATED</u>	
<u>SEASON</u>	<u>HEAVY WHITE</u>	<u>HEAVY WHITES</u>	<u>ALL BREEDERS</u>
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2001-2002	1,000	164,863	165,163
2000-2001	5,849	128,806	129,056

<u>BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA</u>		<u>W/E 11/21/01</u>	
<u>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</u>		<u>ACCUMULATED</u>	
<u>SEASON</u>	<u>HEAVY WHITE</u>	<u>HEAVY WHITES</u>	<u>ALL BREEDERS</u>
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2001-2002	11,199	176,062	176,362
2000-2001	12,340	141,146	141,396

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