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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on whole body hens and toms was steady to barely steady. Offerings adequate for trade needs. Demand remains slow as buyers remain cautious and selective. Bulk parts and meats supplies uneven. Demand light at best. Trading centered on light volumes of frozen destrapped tenderloins.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand light to instances moderate. Trading centered on frozen thigh meat, tom drums and frozen mechanically separated turkey. Most industry members watching the progress of the proposed lifting of the ban on poultry to Russia.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **APRIL 02, 2002**

	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/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59	59	59.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	54	54	54.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 2 APRIL 2002.

The undertone on bulk parts ranged from fully steady on hen 2-joint wings to steady to barely steady on the balance of items. Domestic demand was light to instances fair, best on hen 2-joint wings. Offerings ranged from hen 2-joint wings being limited in availability and held with confidence to adequate to ample on tom drums and necks. Export demand was slow to instances fair with some noting interest slow to recover from the long holiday weekend. Some industry members were pondering the impact of the disease problems being noted in the East and about the April 10, 2002 date when the Russian poultry import ban could be lifted by. Trading light.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	96.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	152.00	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	91.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	26.00		26.00	8
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	25.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	24.00		24.00	83
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	24.00		24.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	24.00		24.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	32.00		32.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	43.00		43.00	40
NECKS, TOM	20.00		20.00	32
NECKS, HEN	19.00		19.00	9
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/				
THIGH MEAT		R	54.40	200
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		R	57.50	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	99.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		R	92.00	40
TENDERLOINS	123.00		123.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	115.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	129.20	200
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	70.40	100
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	11.00		11.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	11.00-12.00		11.41	508

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00-26.00		24.67	240
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	21.59	380
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	28.88	416
TAILS		F	21.00	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	11.83	472
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	56.57	524

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
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	65
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	61
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-72

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	89-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	85-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	84-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-105

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 APRIL 2002.

The trade sentiment was steady at best on destrapped tenderloins, steady to instances weak on the balance of white meat items. Demand slow for the adequate to ample offerings. Domestic trading centered on a light volume frozen destrapped tenderloins at steady to lower trending price levels. Export demand and trading was light to instances fair. Trading centered on frozen thigh meat, tom drums and frozen mechanically separated turkey. Instances of increased offering prices were noted on frozen thigh meat due in part to the recent announcement of the Russian import ban possibly being lifted. Frozen yearling hen breast meat traded at 120 cents delivered domestic and frozen thigh trim 28.50 cents delivered export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	96.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00		154.00	22
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	91.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	25.00		25.00	9
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	25.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	24.00		24.00	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00		23.00	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	24.00		24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	32.00-33.00		32.37	63
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	40.00		40.00	40
NECKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	9
NECKS, HEN	18.00		18.00	18
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/				
THIGH MEAT		R	54.40	200
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		R	57.50	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	99.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		R	92.00	40
TENDERLOINS		T	123.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	120.00-125.00		121.13	320
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	129.20	200
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	70.40	100
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	11.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.50		15.50	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00		24.00	208
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	21.59	380
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00		30.00	52
TAILS	23.00		23.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	54.00-56.50		55.74	344

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 04/03/02

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2001-2002	1,394	342,187	342,487
2000-2001	9,600	328,516	328,766