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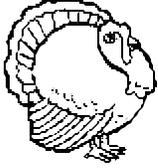
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to barely steady. No current sales reported. Demand very light. Trading inactive. Offerings fully adequate for the limited interest. Bulk parts and meats demand was slow and seasonal. Production schedules remain holiday reduced.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading slow and seasonal. Buyers cautious and selective. Supplies are mixed but generally available.

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

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/	60-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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.

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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 31 DECEMBER 2002.

The domestic and export market was seasonally slow on most items for current shipments with a steady at best undertone noted. Some activity was noted on contracts for 2003 for both domestic and export shipments. Fresh tom breast meat was booked for January-December, 2003 with floors of 142 and 182 cent ceilings. Some Grade A non-basted 18-20 lb. breasts traded at 95 cents and frozen breeder hen breast meat +6 months age 112 cents delivered domestic. For export: frozen destrapped tenderloins 105, frozen tom breast meat 125 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	98.00		98.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	115.00		115.00	500
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	85.46	1,120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	20.00	42
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	19.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	22.00	30
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	38.37	38
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	22.00		22.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	54.00	40
NECKS, TOM		R	15.00	12
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	124.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	140.00	16
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	54.00	30
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	84.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	69.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	123.00	14
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	48.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	17.00	80

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.00		19.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	18.00	162
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	18.00	104
TAILS	19.00		19.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	58.00	400

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.

BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 12/31/02

UNAVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION

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

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-107
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-107
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	63-64
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	58-60

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

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	119-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	105-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	105-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-129

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