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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. frozen hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady. Inquiry noted for multiple load packages of out front sales for whole body turkeys. No sales reported. Bulk parts and meats trading slow. Demand remains cautious and selective. Most purchasing for only current fill-in needs

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading light. Supplies adequate. Buyers cautious and selective. Industry members watching developing situation in Mexico pertaining to the West Coast Newcastle disease problem.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 15, 2003**

	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/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 14, 2003**

	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/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 14 JANUARY 2003.

The domestic market continued seasonally slow on most items as industry members start looking towards next week's poultry convention in Atlanta, Georgia. Trading was light on all items with activity centered on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts and fresh thigh meat for domestic shipments. Offerings of most items were available with hen 2-joint wings in the best position.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	96.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		W	154.90	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	88.00		88.00	240
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	20.00	160
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		M	18.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	20.28	142
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	20.60	100
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	54.33	60
NECKS, TOM	13.00-15.00		13.67	60
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	116.00	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		R	125.00	40
THIGH MEAT		M	59.00	80
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	51.00-59.00		52.60	200
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	73.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	63.00		63.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	99.77	520
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		W	120.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	42.40	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00		17.00	20
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.00		19.00	52
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	19.86	288
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	19.50	104
TAILS		W	19.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	14.50	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	41.00	108

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#	90-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	90-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	65-66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	65-72

**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

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 JANUARY 2003.

The trade sentiment on tom breast meat was steady to instances weak. Demand was slow on fresh tom breast meat with buyers unaggressive for the adequate to instances burdensome offerings. Frozen tom breast meat demand light for the at least adequate offerings. The undertone on destrapped tenderloins was at least steady with some sellers holding frozen inventories with increased confidence. Demand ranged light to fair for the light to adequate offerings. The trade sentiment on scapula was mixed with some starting to note increased confidence in the market while others still see weakness. The wing meat market continued soft as offerings continued to exceed the limited buyer interest. The undertone on 4-8 lb. breasts was barely steady at best as some buyers continued to bid lower. Trading was light on all items. Export demand was mostly light as industry members continued to watch the situation develop in Mexico pertaining to the West Coast Newcastle problem. Tom mechanically defatted gizzards traded at 43.50 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	90.00		90.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00		154.00	2
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	89.00		89.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	20.00		20.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	19.00		19.00	7
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	19.00-19.50		19.17	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	20.60	100
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	54.33	60
NECKS, TOM	13.00		13.00	80
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		M	116.00	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		R	125.00	40
THIGH MEAT		M	59.00	80
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		T	52.60	200
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	73.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		T	63.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	99.00		99.00	200
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	117.00		117.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	42.40	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		T	17.00	20

## EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	15.50		15.50	208
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		W	19.86	288
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	19.50	104
TAILS		W	19.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	14.50	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	41.50		41.50	156

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E0 2/14/03****POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	26,480	243,693	243,993
2002-2003	26,480	243,693	243,993
2001-2002	-	223,073	223,373