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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone was steady on whole body hens and toms. No trading reported. Inquiry very light. Bulk parts and meat trading slow. Offerings exceed the limited buyer interest. Demand was light.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand slow. Activity showed some signs of improvement after an agreement with Mexico over restrictions of the Newcastle disease was reached.



**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
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
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.

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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 22 JANUARY 2003.**

The market continued slow due in part to a major poultry convention occurring in Atlanta, Georgia. The trade sentiment on tom bulk parts was steady to weak with most offerings exceeding the limited buyer interest. Domestic trading centered on a heavy volume of Grade a 4-8 lb. breasts 93 cents delivered January - December, 2003, balance light at best. Export activity to Mexico showed signs of improvement after an agreement with Mexico on Newcastle restrictions occurred. However, some industry members still note some problems crossing the border into Mexico. Trading into export channels centered on some fresh mechanically separated turkey (MST) at 16, a fair volume of fresh tom drums at 18 cents delivered, a moderate volume of MST and a heavy volume of thigh meat.

<b>DOMESTIC TRADING</b>	<b>PRICE RANGE</b>	<b>L.S.T. CODE 1/</b>	<b>WTD AVG PRICE</b>	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	90.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00		154.00	5
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	89.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	15.00		15.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	19.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	19.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	18.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	20.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	23.00	8
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	53.00	9
NECKS, TOM		T	14.18	33
NECKS, HEN		R	10.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	118.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		T	118.77	260
THIGH MEAT		R	54.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		R	57.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	79.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		R	64.00	240
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	100.63	600
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	115.00		115.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	44.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	17.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	15.63	160
<b>EXPORT TRADING</b>				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	19.00	52
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	17.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	19.30	260
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	624
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	43.00-57.00		45.10	744

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**

	<b>RANGE</b>
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**

	<b>RANGE</b>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	115-129

**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/22/03****POULTRY HEALTH BOARD****ACCUMULATED**

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2002-2003	-	243,693	243,993
2001-2002	22,745	245,818	246,118

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