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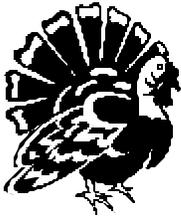
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The undertone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was mostly steady. Inquiry light as processors continued to make proposals for the November holiday. Trading slow for current shipments with some buyers reluctant to buy at present price levels. Offerings adequate. The bulk white meat market was steady at best with some increased confidence noted due in part to the increased activity on tom breast meat for deferred shipments and a less willingness to discount. Bulk meat trading centered on a heavy volume of open priced fresh tom breast meat for current through May shipments. A heavy volume of 4-8 lb. breasts traded for current shipments, balance of items light.



### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading ranged from light to instances fair with activity centered on tom full-cut wings and thigh meat. Inquiry was noted from Mexico and Asia. Some concern was noted about Mexico pertaining to the implementation of the new inspection procedures at the border.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **FEBRUARY 04, 2003**

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#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

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<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	57	57.00	16	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 4 FEBRUARY 2003.

The undertone on bulk parts was steady to barely steady with 2-joint wings in the steadiest position. Inquiry light. Some industry members continued to watch the Newcastle situation in the west with interest. Offerings available. Some industry members have indicated that necks are not as readily available in some parts of the country as noted in previous weeks. Trading slow on all items.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	154.00	14
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	90.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	17.23	192
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	17.67	60
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		M	17.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	15.17	139
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		M	17.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	22.00-23.00		22.43	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	54.00	40
NECKS, TOM		M	13.00	80
NECKS, HEN		M	13.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	110.00	250
THIGH MEAT	52.00		52.00	8
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	55.50	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		M	59.00	80
TENDERLOINS		F	100.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	114.43	47
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	44.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	15.67	120

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	17.50	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	14.81	704
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	20.00	208
TAILS		F	19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	43.36	940

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#	65-66
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	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

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 FEBRUARY 2003.**

The undertone was steady at best on most white meat items with the increased confidence a partial response to the increased movement being noted on tom breast meat and a lack of willingness to discount. Demand ranged from light for prompt shipments to sometimes fair on tom breast meat for deferred. Boneless white meat trading centered on a heavy volume of open priced fresh tom breast meat for current through May shipments, balance slow. Some processors have noted increased interest on cooked and deli items. Offerings of white meat continued to be available. Rib breast trading was heavy on 4-8 lb. sizes at barely steady price levels, balance light. Bulk parts trading centered on a fair volume of tom wings for export, balance light. For domestic: livers 19 (pet foods), fresh ground breast trim 81, frozen yearling hen breast meat 97 cents delivered. Tom necks traded at 14 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	93.00-96.00		94.50	800
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	145.00		145.00	14
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	89.00		89.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	17.67	60
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	17.00		17.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	18.00		18.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	17.00		17.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	22.43	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	54.00	40
NECKS, TOM	12.00		12.00	80
NECKS, HEN		M	13.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	100.00		100.00	180
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	106.00-113.00		110.18	170
THIGH MEAT		T	52.00	8
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	56.00		56.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT	62.00		62.00	40
TENDERLOINS		F	100.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	115.00		115.00	36
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	44.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00		17.00	40

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	18.00		18.00	27
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	14.00-15.00		14.77	443
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	20.00	208
TAILS	18.00		18.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	47.50-48.50		48.00	240

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#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E0 01/29/03**

SEASON	ACCUMULATED		
	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	11,887	255,580	255,880
2001-2002	-	245,818	246,118

#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E0 2/05/03**

SEASON	ACCUMULATED		
	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	10,000	265,580	265,880
2001-2002	18,245	264,063	264,363

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