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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. No trading reported. Demand from buyers mixed with most reluctant to commit to current pricing. Offerings ample. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow, mostly inactive.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was active for Asia with interest noted from Africa, Eastern Europe, Mexico and Russia. Trading centered on heavy volume of thigh meat, balance of items light.



### SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

|                              | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS               | 119-129      |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#     | 99-125       |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#        | 99-125       |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#        | 99-129       |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 99-129       |

### LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

|                                | <u>RANGE</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#   | 65-72        |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP | 81-86        |
| BREASTS 10-12#                 | 115          |
| COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP    |              |
| <u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>  |              |
|                                | <u>RANGE</u> |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#     | 94-96        |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#    | 94-96        |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#    | 66           |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#   | 63           |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#   | 65-72        |

**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/

|                      | OFFERS | SALES | WTD<br>AVG | VOLUME<br>(000) |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|
| <b>8-16 LB HENS</b>  |        |       |            |                 |
| EASTERN REGION 3/    | 61-62  | -     | -          | -               |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/    | 60-62  | -     | -          | -               |
| WESTERN REGION 5/    | 61-62  | -     | -          | -               |
| <b>16-24 LB TOMS</b> |        |       |            |                 |
| EASTERN REGION       | 59     | -     | -          | -               |
| CENTRAL REGION       | 58-59  | -     | -          | -               |
| WESTERN REGION       | 58-59  | -     | -          | -               |

### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

| WTD<br>AVG | VOLUME<br>(000) | DEL.<br>PER |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| -          | -               | -           |
| -          | -               | -           |
| -          | -               | -           |
| -          | -               | -           |
| -          | -               | -           |
| -          | -               | -           |

### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

| VOLUME<br>(000) | DEL.<br>PER |
|-----------------|-------------|
| -               | -           |
| -               | -           |
| -               | -           |
| -               | -           |
| -               | -           |
| -               | -           |

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 28 APRIL 2003.

The undertone was steady at best on most white meat items. The domestic white meat market was slow, however, some further processors noting increased activity on cooked and deli items, but still below expectations for the time of year. Some continued increased inquiry was noted on fresh and frozen mechanically separated turkey (MST) for domestic prompt shipments. Domestic trading was light on all items. Undergrade fresh 17 lb. and heavier toms traded at 33 and plant grade non-basted 8-10 lb. breasts 69 cents delivered, frozen destrapped tenderloins +6 months age traded at 95 cents shipping point. The export market was active for Asia with interest also noted from Africa, Eastern Europe, Mexico and Russia. Trading centered on a heavy volume of thigh meat, balance light. For export: drummettes 10, frozen -60 days age MST 13.50, hen drums 15 cents delivered.

| DOMESTIC TRADING                  | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/       |             | R              | 93.00         | 40           |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ |             |                |               |              |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/   |             | F              | 81.00         | 40           |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM                   |             | F              | 21.00         | 40           |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH             |             | F              | 19.00         | 12           |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN                   |             | F              | 18.00         | 80           |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM              |             | R              | 14.00         | 120          |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN              |             |                |               |              |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM                |             | F              | 26.00         | 10           |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN                |             | F              | 53.00         | 40           |
| NECKS, TOM                        |             | F              | 22.00         | 8            |
| NECKS, HEN                        |             |                |               |              |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/              |             | T              | 110.00        | 200          |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/        |             | F              | 118.65        | 374          |
| THIGH MEAT                        |             | F              | 47.00         | 20           |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH                  |             | F              | 54.23         | 26           |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT                  |             | W              | 69.00         | 40           |
| SCAPULA MEAT                      |             |                |               |              |
| TENDERLOINS                       |             |                |               |              |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS                | 103.00      |                | 103.00        | 40           |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH          |             | F              | 117.00        | 14           |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN               |             | F              | 52.00         | 40           |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/         |             | W              | 19.00         | 40           |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/   | 18.00-19.00 |                | 18.66         | 116          |
| EXPORT TRADING                    |             |                |               |              |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS                  | 16.00-20.00 |                | 17.96         | 300          |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS             | 12.00-14.00 |                | 13.00         | 80           |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM                |             |                |               |              |
| TAILS                             |             | T              | 18.50         | 40           |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/         | 18.00       |                | 18.00         | 40           |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN               | 40.00-65.00 |                | 46.29         | 968          |

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.