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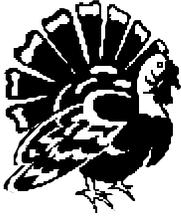
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen whole birds, hens and toms was steady to fully steady. Demand was mixed, very light to moderate. No trading reported for prompt shipments, however limited sales were reported for deferred arrival. Supplies of frozen hens and toms were adequate to fully adequate. Parts and meats trading was fair at best.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on frozen tom drums and thigh meat, balance of items slow. Inquiry was active with inquiry noted from Asia, Mexico and Russia. Offerings limited for export and held with confidence.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 12, 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/	56-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	55-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	56-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-57	-	-	-	-	-	-	880	SEP-OCT
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	55-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-56	-	-	-	-	-	-	960	SEP-OCT
WESTERN REGION 5/	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 12 AUGUST 2003.

The undertone was steady to fully steady on tom drums and tom wings, barely steady at best on tom necks. Inquiry was fair to good on tom drums and full-cut wings, slow to instances fair on tom necks. Tom bulk parts offerings were light and generally held with confidence on drums and wings, necks were adequate to ample. Trade sentiment on rib breasts was steady to instances fully steady with increased strength being noted on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts for deferred shipments. Demand fair to good, best on 4-8 lb. breasts for deferred deliveries. Offerings light to adequate. Domestic trading centered on a moderate volume of plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts 82 cents delivered September-October and on a small volume of -6 months age frozen wing meat with skin. Some plant grade non-basted 16-18 lb. breasts traded at 73 cents delivered domestic. Export trading was slow, however, interest continued active for Russia, Mexico and Eastern Europe.

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	152.00	23
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	79.00	400
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	27.67	15
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	27.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	25.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.00		22.00	74
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	21.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	24.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	54.00	20
NECKS, TOM	16.00-18.00		16.26	46
NECKS, HEN		T	16.17	21
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	122.33	120
THIGH MEAT		F	55.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	51.50	128
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	63.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	50.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	110.54	24
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	30.00		30.00	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	19.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	28.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	22.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	26.50	520
TAILS		W	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	800
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	68.00		68.00	52

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#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63-65
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#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	99-129

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 AUGUST 2003.

The market tone was steady to fully steady on fresh tom breast meat, tom drums and tom wings. Trading on bulk meats and parts was light. Trading was fairly heavy on retail sized breasts. Grade A 4-8 lb breasts sold at 89 for September-October shipments and plant grade 4-8 lb breasts moved at 81 cents for August-October deliveries. Export activity centered on fair volumes of tom drumsticks and thigh meat. Frozen thigh meat sold at 55 cents for September shipment. Inquiry was active on thigh meat and tom drums for export, extremely light on mechanically separated turkey.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	81.00		81.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	27.67	15
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	27.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	25.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	22.00	74
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	21.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	24.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	54.00	20
NECKS, TOM		T	16.26	46
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BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	122.00		122.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	55.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	51.50	128
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	63.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	50.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	112.00		112.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		T	30.00	200
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00		17.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.00-29.00		28.33	240
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	22.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	26.50	520
TAILS		W	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	17.00	800
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	53.00		53.00	252

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