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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 to fully steady. Trading was light to moderate for packer label for prompt deliveries. Demand mixed. Offerings in a full range, adequate to barely adequate. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow to start the week. Buyers cautious and selective. Supplies limited.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow and centered on light volumes of tom drums, thigh meat and mechanically separated turkey. Demand light to moderate on limited available offerings.

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

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS | 90-109 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22# | 81-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24# | 81-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26# | 79-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 94-105 |

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

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 71-72 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP | 80-85 |
| BREASTS 10-12# | 115 |
| COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP | |
| <u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u> | |
| | <u>RANGE</u> |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 96 |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 96 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 67-68 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 67-70 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 71-72 |

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 AVG | VOLUME (000) | FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/ | | | OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/ | |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|
| | | | | | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER |
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 62-65 | 64.5 | 64.50 | 1800 | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 60-64 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 62-65 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION | 60-62 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION | 59-62 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION | 60-62 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

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 6 OCTOBER 2003.

Trade sentiment steady to barely steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins, balance of fresh white meat at least fully steady. Fresh white meat demand light to fair on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins, balance fair to good. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins were adequate to fully adequate, balance light at best. The undertone on frozen white meat from new production steady. Demand slow. Offerings of frozen destrapped tenderloins were adequate to fully adequate, frozen tom breast meat light to adequate, balance of white meat limited. Trading of all items was light and consisted of spot loads. On October 3, 2003, the USDA Commercial Pack Turkey Breast Program was announced. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, October 14 on Turkey Small Turkey Breasts (4-10 lb. sizes) and Large Turkey Breasts (10-20 lb. sizes). Products are to be delivered from November 16-30, 2003.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | F | 89.00 | 20 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/ | | R | 153.00 | 16 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | 83.00 | | 83.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | | W | 42.29 | 28 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH | | F | 43.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | | | | |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | 30.00-31.00 | | 30.67 | 60 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 43.00 | | 43.00 | 80 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | | | |
| NECKS, TOM | 19.00 | | 19.00 | 20 |
| NECKS, HEN | | W | 18.00 | 8 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | R | 118.00 | 40 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/ | 163.00-168.00 | | 164.67 | 120 |
| THIGH MEAT | | W | 93.00 | 40 |
| THIGH MEAT--FRESH | | F | 92.50 | 40 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | R | 80.00 | 20 |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | F | 82.00 | 40 |
| TENDERLOINS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH | 117.00-120.00 | | 117.60 | 100 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 30.00 | | 30.00 | 80 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/ | | F | 27.26 | 170 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | 42.00-43.00 | | 42.33 | 120 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | | | |
| TAILS | | F | 22.00 | 40 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 32.00-33.00 | | 32.67 | 156 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | 93.00 | | 93.00 | 40 |

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.