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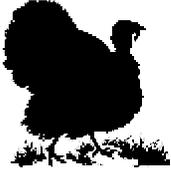
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady. No trading was reported. Demand light. The market tone on parts and meats was steady to firm. Supplies of bulk parts and meats were generally short of requirements. Demand exceeding current offerings.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading inactive. Demand very light. Buyers showing some signs of resistance to current price trends.

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
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	58-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 18 FEBRUARY 2004.

Trade sentiment steady to firm. Inquiry light to fair with most items held with confidence. Even though most industry members call fresh mechanically separated turkey strong, some have noted offerings not as short as previous weeks. The undertone on 4-8 lb. breasts was mostly steady. Trading light on all items. Punched drums traded at 80-82 cents delivered domestic.

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/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		R	51.99	87
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	57.00		57.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	55.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	43.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	45.00		45.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	37.00-39.00		38.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	81.00		81.00	40
NECKS, TOM	51.00		51.00	40
NECKS, HEN		R	55.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	156.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	160.00		160.00	20
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		T	92.00	28
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	79.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	85.00		85.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		T	138.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	145.00		145.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	80.00		80.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	32.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	35.00-37.00		35.67	60

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	55.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	83.67	120

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#	68-69
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-70
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-77

BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 02/17/04

SEASON	POULTRY HEALTH BOARD ACCUMULATED		
	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDERS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2003-2004	-	-	-
2002-2003	6,100	283,394	283,694

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-129
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	105-130