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## DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens was fully steady to firm, 16-24 lb. toms was steady with a weak undertone noted. Offerings were adequate for toms, hens are tight. Demand was light to moderate. Bulk parts and meats trading was light. Supplies were adequate to short.

## EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on light volumes of thigh meat, tom drums and mechanically separated turkey, balance inactive. Demand remains seasonally slow. Offerings were moderate.



**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 16, 2004**

	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
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	78-83	79	79.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	77-80	79	79.00	600	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	79-81	80	80.00	24	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-77	71	71.00	20	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-76	76	76.00	160	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-78	77	77.00	80	-	-	-	-	-

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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** INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 16 NOVEMBER 2004.

The market tone on fresh tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins was mostly steady. The fresh breast trim market continued firm with the balance of fresh white meat steady to fully steady. The frozen white meat market tone ranged from steady to instances fully steady on wing meat with skin with some not seeing any strength to firm on breast trim. Fresh white meat demand moderate, frozen slow to moderate. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat mixed ranging from light to instances fully adequate, fresh destrapped tenderloins light to adequate, fresh breast trim short of buyers' needs and fresh scapula light. Offerings of frozen wing meat with skin light to instances adequate, balance of frozen white meat short to instances light. The trade sentiment on frozen thigh meat was steady to fully steady. Inquiry slow to moderate. Offerings uneven with new production held with the most confidence. Trading moderate on fresh 4-8 lb. breasts, balance slow. Plant grade basted 16-18 lb. breasts traded at 118 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	100.00		100.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	150.00-165.00		159.12	306
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	41.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	40.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	40.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	51.00		51.00	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	55.00		55.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		M	100.00	60
NECKS, TOM	29.00		29.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	214.82	440
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		M	113.00	12
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	191.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	98.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		M	20.00	80

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	24.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	81.00-84.00		82.00	60

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#	112
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	112
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	85

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	105-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-116
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	98-120
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	98-122

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The market tone on tom drums, tom full-cut wings and tom necks was steady to barely steady. The tom 2-joint wing market was steady to firm. Demand on tom 2-joint wings was moderate to good, balance seasonally slow to instances moderate. Offerings of tom 2-joint wings were short of buyers' needs, balance adequate to fully adequate with drums the most available. The market tone on hen 2-joint wings was firm, hen full-cut wings fully steady, hen drums steady and hen necks barely steady to instances weak. Demand fair to good on hen wings, balance of hen bulk parts slow to light. Offerings ranged from short on hen wings to instances ample on hen necks. The market tone on frozen thigh meat was steady to fully steady with new production in the strongest position. Demand slow to moderate. Offerings of fresh thigh meat light at best, frozen tight on product with -30 days age and product +30 days age continued to clean up. Some caution was noted by some exporters while they watched future market conditions of competitive red meats. Trading moderate on frozen thigh meat for export, balance slow. For domestic: fresh Grade A 9-13 lb. WOGs 86, Grade A and plant grade basted 16-18 lb. breasts 125, fresh scapula 126, For export: fresh thigh meat 91.50 cents delivered.

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WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	55.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	103.00		103.00	40
NECKS, TOM		T	29.00	40
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THIGH MEAT				
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BREAST TRIM MEAT	137.00		137.00	10
SCAPULA MEAT		M	113.00	12
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	191.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	98.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	17.50-20.00		18.82	110
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	39.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	24.00		24.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	21.00	20
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	81.00-82.00		81.27	390

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 11/10/04**

<b>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</b>		CUMULATIVE	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	114,795
2003-2004	12,449	114,795	114,795
2002-2003	-	-	-

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