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## DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens was steady, toms steady to instances weak. Trading was moderate. Demand was light to moderate with most interest for fill in needs. Offerings of hens was mixed with light weights closely balanced, heavier weights of hens and 16-24 lb. toms available. Bulk parts and meats trading was slow. Demand was light to moderate.

## EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow with limited sales centered on tails and mechanically separated turkey. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were light to adequate.



**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **DECEMBER 07, 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/	75-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	79-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	75-80	79	79.00	400	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-80	79-80	79.09	220	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	79-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-72	71.5	71.50	120	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-73	71.5-73	71.80	100	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 07 DECEMBER 2004.

Demand slow to moderate on all items. The market tone on tom drums continued steady to instances fully steady. Some processors held supplies with confidence at higher trending asking price levels while others had no problems satisfying needs and felt offerings were at least adequate. The market tone on tom necks was steady at best, tom full-cut wings steady to barely steady and tom 2-joint wings steady. Offerings ranged from spotty on tom 2-joint wings to instances fully adequate on tom full-cut wings. The market tone on frozen thigh meat was at least steady for the light offerings.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	97.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	95.00	400
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00-40.00		39.67	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		R	40.00	86
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	39.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	47.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	54.30	66
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	95.00	40
NECKS, TOM		F	27.33	60
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	219.00		219.00	120
THIGH MEAT		F	86.00	10
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	90.83	84
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	140.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	122.00		122.00	80
TENDERLOINS		R	167.00	16
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	176.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	192.42	143
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	18.29	168

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	60
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	86.00		86.00	100

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#	88
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 fresh tom breast meat was steady to fully steady, mostly steady. The market tone on the balance of the white meat was at least steady. Demand was moderate to instances good on fresh tom breast meat with some still noting an active call from Canada. However, others have started to note a seasonal slowing of domestic demand on fresh tom breast meat and other fresh white meat items due in part to the up coming holidays. Fresh white meat offerings uneven ranging from short to light. The market tone on frozen white meat was mostly steady for the slow to instances moderate buyer interest. Offerings light. Trading light on all items. Fresh scapula 123 cents delivered domestic.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	97.00	80
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	157.00-165.00		164.68	173
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	95.00	400
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00		39.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		R	40.00	86
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	39.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	48.00		48.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	53.00		53.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	95.00	40
NECKS, TOM	28.00		28.00	91
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MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00-21.00		19.60	57

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DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	39.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	24.00		24.00	100
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		T	86.00	100

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<u>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</u>		CUMULATIVE	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2003-2004	12,947	134,592	134,592
2002-2003		NO REPORT	

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