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DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was barely steady to weak. Demand very light. Some buyers reporting improved movement through retail compared to the previous year. Light sales reported on hens and toms on partial loads for prompt deliveries. Offerings of whole birds are fully adequate. Bulk parts and meats trading is seasonally slow. Supplies are light to moderate. Demand was mixed.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow. Demand was mixed with some reporting increased interest. Offerings were moderate. Sales of packer label toms for export reported at 63 cents delivered to the port.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 04, 2005**

	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/	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-70	66	66.00	10	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69	69	69.00	30	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	63-64	64	64.00	30	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 4 JANUARY 2005.

The market tone on tom bulk parts was steady to barely steady. Inquiry light with buyers attempting to purchase product at lower prices. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on hen bulk parts was mostly steady. Demand slow. Offerings light to adequate with some industry members noting offerings of hen 2-joint and full-cut wings not as tight as previous weeks. Trading slow on all items. Fresh tom drums traded at 39 cents delivered export.

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	140.00	4
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	40.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	54.00		54.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		M	29.00	6
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	200.00	40
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	119.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	174.50	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	193.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	98.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	18.78	67

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	39.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN				

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#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	76-81
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	68-78
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-74

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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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 5 JANUARY 2005.

The white meat market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand and trading slow. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on 4-8 lb. breasts ranged from mostly steady on packer labels to instances fully steady on private labels. Inquiry light to instances moderate. Offerings of packer label 4-8 lb. breasts adequate, however, a few note private labels short of buyers' needs. The market tone on tom 2-joint wings was mixed. Some processors were short of product and asking higher price levels while others had excess inventories and were willing to negotiate. Domestic trading was slow and centered on fresh thigh meat, fresh mechanically separated turkey and fill-in volumes of parts. Export inquiry was light, but showing some signs of improvement over previous weeks. Trading slow into export channels.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	94.00		94.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	135.00-158.00		136.92	12
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	40.00	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	49.00		49.00	130
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	54.00-58.00		55.49	175
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	96.00		96.00	40
NECKS, TOM	27.00		27.00	6
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	181.00		181.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	200.00	40
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	90.00-91.00		90.67	120
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		F	119.00	20
TENDERLOINS	167.00		167.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	173.00		173.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		M	193.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	98.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-19.00		18.80	200

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	85.00		85.00	40

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 01/05/05

<u>POULTRY HEALTH BOARD</u>		CUMULATIVE	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2003-2004			
2002-2003	Data unavailable.		

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