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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to weak. Light trading reported for prompt deliveries. Offerings remain fully sufficient for the limited demand. Trading on bulk parts and meats was light to moderate. Buyers keeping inventories close while continuing to be cautious toward the market. Demand was mixed. Offerings light to adequate.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow to moderate. Demand was mixed ranging from light to good. 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) **JANUARY 19, 2006**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/			VOLUME (000)	FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG		WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	66-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68.25	68.25	68.25	600	68.25	600	FEB	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68.25	68.25	68.25	500	68.25	500	FEB	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JAN 20, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	68.25	69.00 **	67.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	67.00 **	68.00	67.00 **
WESTERN REGION	67.50 **	69.40 **	68.00 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	68.25	70.00	63.50 **
CENTRAL REGION	67.00 **	68.00 **	62.50 **
WESTERN REGION	67.50 **	69.40 **	64.00 **

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	69-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	69-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	72-81

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

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	104-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-129

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -**U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS**

(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of Jan 16, 2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	85.42	80,500
16-24 lbs.	87.00	20,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume:	115,500
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TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 14-Jan-2006 (Preliminary)

	<u>YOUNG TURKEYS</u>		<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>		
	<u>PCT</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>AVG</u>	
	<u>CHG</u>	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>LIVE</u>	
<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>WT</u>	
North East	747	55	(A)	748	24.56
South Atlantic	612	74	(A)	613	34.90
North Central	1,933	17	(A)	1,934	34.37
South Central	668	14	(A)	669	18.86
West	197	-11	(A)	197	25.42
U.S. total	4,157(B)	26	4	4,161	29.77

To-date

2006 7,446(B) 16 7,462

To-date

2005 8,401(B) 18 8,419

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 31,000; for the current year to date 46,000; for last year to date 79,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

December	415,671*
January 1 - 14, 2006	176,865*

To date 2006 176,865*

To date 2005 205,892*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>Thousands</u>				
W/E 14-Jan-2006					
Head	1,687	2,439	31	4	4,161
Avg Wt	15.95	39.38	26.22	30.20	29.77
Last week	1,308	1,966	15	12	3,301
Same wk yr ago	1,647	2,507	46	5	4,205
Avg Wt	16.43	39.59	25.35	34.37	28.82
To-date/2006	2,995	4,405	46	16	7,462
To-date/2005	3,268	5,054	79	18	8,419

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 19 JANUARY 2006.

The market tone on tom full-cut wings was steady to barely steady as inventories continued to clean up into export channels at discounted price levels. Demand light to moderate, best for exports. Offerings adequate to instances burdensome, mostly adequate to ample. The market tone on tom 2-joint wings was mostly steady to barely steady with some spot weakness noted into export channels. Demand light. Offerings adequate to instances burdensome. The tom drum market was steady to firm and tom necks steady to fully steady. Demand moderate to good for the short to adequate offerings. The market tone on tails was steady to fully steady with offerings ranging from short of buyers' needs to light. Inquiry light to moderate. Trading was active into export channels, balance light. Fresh wing meat with skin traded at 75 cents delivered domestic and tom necks 31 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	115.00		115.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	151.19	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	98.00		98.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00-40.00		39.67	60
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	39.00		39.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-26.00		24.23	78
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	30.00		30.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	36.00-41.00		38.83	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	112.00		112.00	20
NECKS, TOM	30.00-31.00		30.69	58
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	189.33	60
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		W	177.22	360
THIGH MEAT		R	97.50	10
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		T	97.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT	140.00-143.00		141.00	60
SCAPULA MEAT		W	109.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	175.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	176.00		176.00	20
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	70.00	30
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	21.00		21.00	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	60
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.00-26.00		22.12	644
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	52
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	90.50-95.00		93.69	332

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.

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The market tone on wing meat with skin and scapula was steady, destrapped tenderloins steady to barely steady, tom breast meat and breast trim steady to instances weak. White meat demand in a full range, mostly moderate to good, instances of improved further processed demand was noted. Offerings of scapula and wing meat with skin light to adequate, balance of white meat adequate to ample. The market tone on rib breasts was steady to barely steady with increased offers noted on all sizes. Demand Light to moderate for the adequate to instances ample supplies. Domestic trading was moderate to active, best on 4-8 lb. breasts, tom breast meat and tom full-cut wings. Export trading slow to moderate. For domestic: body chopping skin 18, Grade A non-basted breasts - 12-14 lb. 165, 14-16 lb. 170, 16-20 lb. 180, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 135 and 12-16 lb. breasts 160, plant grade non-basted breasts - 12-14 lb. 160, 14-16 lb. 150-165, 16-18 lb. 160, 18-20 lb. 160 plant grade basted 18-20 lb. breasts 175, fresh scapula 117-128 mostly 117-123 cents delivered. For export: frozen -20% mechanically separated turkey (MST) +60 days age 17, fresh -20% MST 20-21, fresh tom drums 38-44, fresh thigh meat 95 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY	
					WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		R	115.00	20	115.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	151.19	21	151.19	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	106.00-109.00		107.00	600	105.94	680
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	40.00-41.00		40.43	94	40.24	237
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	39.00-40.00		39.50	160	41.13	320
DRUMSTICKS, HEN						
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-24.00		23.15	468	23.64	930
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	30.00	20	30.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	42.00		42.00	10	39.06	170
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	111.00		111.00	20	111.50	40
NECKS, TOM	30.00-33.00		30.65	247	30.71	401
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	173.00		173.00	20	173.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	170.00-176.00		173.81	640	175.75	1,120
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	96.00-97.00		96.89	90	96.91	110
BREAST TRIM MEAT	140.00		140.00	16	140.38	156
SCAPULA MEAT	109.00		109.00	122	109.00	142
TENDERLOINS	167.00-170.00		167.27	22	167.27	22
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	175.00	80	175.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	70.00-75.00		70.65	46	70.65	46
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	175.00-177.00		175.67	120	176.88	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	40	20.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	20.00-23.00		20.87	302	21.12	1,076
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	38.00-38.50		38.17	120	39.59	312
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.00		22.00	104	22.11	748
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	104	19.67	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	97.00		97.00	208	94.97	620

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