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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen hens and consumer sized toms was steady to fully steady. Inquiry light to moderate. Trading slow for current shipments. Offerings short to light and mostly held with confidence. The market tone on white meat was steady to firm, rib breasts steady to fully steady, thigh meat and bulk parts mostly steady to barely steady. Demand on white meat was moderate to good, rib breasts light to moderate and bulk parts light. Trading slow.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was moderate on frozen thigh meat, balance slow. Demand light to moderate. Offerings mixed.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **APRIL 25, 2006**

	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/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	JUL
WESTERN REGION 5/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	JUL
WESTERN REGION 5/	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69-71	70	70.00	80	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	69-71	70	70.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	69-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	69-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 25 APRIL 2006.

The market tone on tom drums and tom 2-joint wings was steady to weak, balance of tom bulk parts steady to barely steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of tom full-cut wings mixed ranging from short to fully adequate, tom drums adequate to ample, tom 2-joint wings adequate to instances burdensome and tom necks adequate to fully adequate. Export demand mixed with some noting decreased buyer interest from Russia while others note increased inquiry from Mexico. Trading moderate on tom drums and tom 2-joint wings for export, balance slow. For domestic: fresh breast trim 119, plant grade basted 12-14 lb. breasts 161.50 and 14-16 lb. breasts 171.50 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	118.00		118.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		M	145.00	11
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	106.00		106.00	140
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	43.50		43.50	6
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	42.00		42.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	39.86	140
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-23.50		23.05	44
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	23.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	39.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	112.00	20
NECKS, TOM	32.50		32.50	12
NECKS, HEN		F	34.00	2
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	170.25	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	180.00		180.00	80
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	72.00	240
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	116.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		M	123.00	40
TENDERLOINS		F	161.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	172.00		172.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	169.88	64
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	84.75	59
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	24
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	23.00-24.00		23.29	56
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	45.00-46.00		45.80	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	30.00-31.00		30.67	312
TAILS	37.00		37.00	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	22.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	69.00		69.00	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.

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	98-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	94-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	93-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	92-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	106-119

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#	69-80

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The market tone on white meat was steady to firm. Demand moderate to good. Offerings mostly short to light and held with confidence. The market tone on rib breast was steady to fully steady. Demand light to moderate. Offerings of 4-8 lb. breasts short to light. Institutional sized breast offerings were short to adequate with some noting supplies not as tight as previous weeks. The market tone on tom drums was mixed with strength noted on sized product into export channels while others note lower trending offering prices. The market tone on tom wings was mixed ranging from barely steady to fully steady with strength and availability somewhat dependant on the processors' ability to make wing meat with skin. The market tone on tom necks was steady to barely steady. Demand light for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. Trading moderate and centered on frozen thigh meat for export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	106.00	140
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	41.00-42.00		41.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		T	42.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	39.00-40.00		39.75	160
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	21.00-23.00		22.33	120
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WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	39.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	112.00	20
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BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	176.00-180.00		178.70	134
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WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	84.75	59
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	21.00		21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		T	23.29	56
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	47.00		47.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	30.67	312
TAILS		T	37.00	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	22.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	65.00		65.00	312

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA 04/19/06			
POULTRY HEALTH BOARD		CUMULATIVE	
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2005-2006	14,759	167,574	167,574
2004-2005	No Report Issued.		