

## The Turkey Industry Creates Jobs in Texas

Texas companies that produce and process turkey are an integral part of the state’s economy. Turkey producers, along with the companies that provide supplies and materials to the industry, provide well-paying jobs in the state and pay significant amounts in taxes to state and federal governments.

### Economic Impact of the Turkey Industry in Texas

	Direct	Supplier	Induced	Total
Jobs (FTE)	4,512	8,418	5,432	18,362
Wages	\$207,301,600	\$560,160,300	\$358,500,900	\$1,125,962,800
Economic Impact	\$1,832,936,900	\$3,321,050,300	\$1,440,095,800	\$6,594,083,000

### The Turkey Industry is an Integral Part of the Economy in Texas

- ❖ The turkey industry in Texas employs as many as 4,512 people across the state and generates an additional 13,850 jobs in supplier and ancillary industries. These include jobs in companies supplying goods and services to the industry.
- ❖ These are good jobs paying an average of \$61,300 in wages and benefits. And in today’s economy, every job is important. In fact, in Texas the unemployment rate has reached 4.1 percent. This means that there are 627,000 people trying to find jobs across the state.

### The Economic Benefits of the Industry Spread Throughout the state

- ❖ Not only does the turkey industry create good jobs in Texas but the industry also contributes to the economy as a whole. The broader economic impact flows throughout the economy, generating business for firms seemingly unrelated to the turkey industry. Real people, with real jobs, working in industries as varied as banking, real estate, accounting, even printing all depend on the turkey industry for their livelihood.
- ❖ In fact, in 2024, the industry was responsible for as much as \$6.59 billion in total economic activity throughout the state, creating or supporting as many as 18,362 total jobs.
- ❖ Not only does the turkey industry create jobs, it also generates sizeable tax revenues. In Texas, the industry and its employees pay about \$230.57 million in federal taxes and \$111.17 million in state and local taxes.