

Turkey and Tennessee: A Job-Creating Economic Partnership



Turkish companies, like KordSA and Nobel Automotive bring hundreds of jobs to Tennessee.

Tennessee is home to around 2,000 Turkish Americans; many are small business owners.

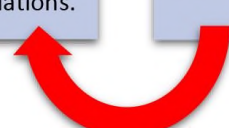
Nashville, Knoxville, and Memphis have significant Turkish-American populations.



Turkey is the fourth biggest importer of agricultural goods produced in Tennessee.

Turkish is Tennessee's third largest customer for cotton.

Tennessee-based companies, such as Fedex are also helping create jobs in Turkey.



Below are the locations of companies in Tennessee with close ties to Turkey, including those with partnerships in Turkey, heavily reliant on sales to Turkey, or owned by Turkish companies themselves.



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Tennessee is a top destination for Turkish investment, including from some of Turkey's industrial giants which have invested millions of dollars in the state and have created 400 jobs.



Nobel Automotive: Paris

Owned by Orhan Holding, Nobel Automotive produces pipes for fuel and oil circuits for engines and gearboxes. It also produces parts for power assisted steering, and washer lines.

Founded in 2007, the company currently has around 500 employees, just over 70 of which are based in Paris, Tennessee.



KordSA: Chattanooga

KordSA, a composites and tire reinforcements producer, has been in Tennessee for over 15 years. Its manufacturing facility in Chattanooga has 325 employees and is part of a wider \$487 million investment KordSA has made in its US business.

KordSA has spent at least \$23 million on maintaining the facility since 2007.

Tennessee companies benefit hugely from trade with Turkey, particularly those in the cotton industry.



Allenberg Cotton: Cordova

Allenberg Cotton has been in Tennessee for almost one hundred years, having been founded in Memphis in 1921.

Turkey is Allenberg Cotton's largest customer, ahead of Pakistan, China, and Vietnam.

The company has 175 employees and has an annual revenue of \$300 million.



Cargill Cotton: Cordova

Cargill Cotton is headquartered in Memphis and has an enormous presence in the state of Tennessee, including two warehouses in Memphis and two offices on Cordova.

The company has annual sales over \$1 billion and is one of the 10 largest private firms in Memphis, with its headquarters there having 75 employees.

Turkey is Cargill Cotton's fourth largest customer, behind Pakistan, China, and India, and the company's largest customer in the MENA region.

Companies from Tennessee are playing a big role in Turkey's growing prosperity.



FedEx: Memphis

FedEx Trade Networks, a subsidiary of Fedex and a growing international ocean and air freight forwarder, first expanded into Turkey in May 2011.

FedEx Trade Networks currently has offices in Istanbul, Ankara, and Izmir - Turkey's three largest cities.

As of September 2019, the company had 805 employees in Turkey.