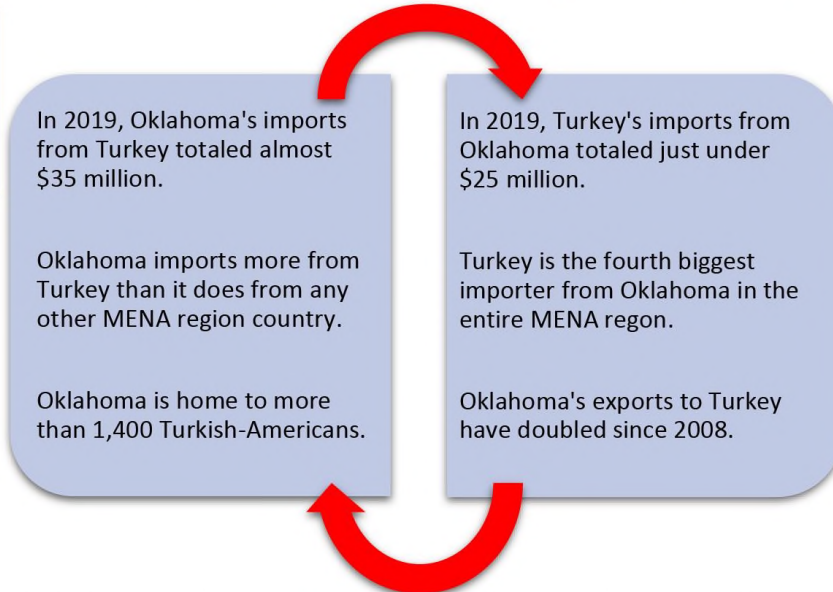


## Turkey and Oklahoma: A Job-Creating Economic Partnership



Most of Oklahoma's Turkish-American community live in Tulsa and Oklahoma City. Many members of the community are small business owners. Oklahoma is home to a number of companies connected to Turkey, including local companies with partnerships or major investments in Turkey as well as U.S. and global companies that connect the state's economy with that of Turkey.

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**Zentech: Tulsa**  
Zentech is the fastest growing heat treatment company in Oklahoma, with more than 200 employees in the state. In Turkey, Zentech has been providing heat treatment services since 2017, and has been using its Istanbul location to provide such services to neighboring countries as well.
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**Whirlpool: Tulsa**  
Whirlpool is a major employer in Tulsa, with almost 2,000 employees working in its 800,000 square foot distribution center there. In Turkey, Whirlpool has production facilities in Manisa, where it produces refrigerators and washing machines and has more than 1,200 employees. Whirlpool acquired its Turkish facilities in 2015, after purchasing a 60% stake in Italian rival Indesit for \$1 billion.
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**UPS: Oklahoma City**  
With 2,350 employees there, UPS is a major employer in Oklahoma City. Turkey plays a major role for UPS Supply Chain Solutions, which offers logistics and distributions assistance, transportation and freight services, consulting, customs brokerage, and international trade services. In Turkey, it has five branches across the country providing air freight, ocean freight, and brokerage services.
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**Tyson Foods: Broken Bow**  
One of Broken Bow's biggest employers, Tyson Foods has 1,500 employees across the city. Cobb, which is owned by Tyson Foods, has a major facility for broiler breeding in Bandirma, Turkey. The company recently invested an additional \$2.353 million to expand to facility in order to support its growing business in the Middle East.
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**Boeing: Oklahoma City**  
Boeing also brings together the economies of Turkey and Oklahoma. In Oklahoma, the company has a six-story, 320,000-square-foot facility where it has 700 employees. Boeing has 550 more employees across the city. In Turkey, one of the company's biggest customers, Boeing has locations in Ankara and Istanbul, invests \$180 million annually in work placement, and supports 5,000 jobs in the country.

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