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## Turkey

### Grain and Feed

### GOT Increases Corn Duty

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#### **Report Highlights:**

**The Government of Turkey has increased the duty for imported corn to fifty percent.**

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Includes PSD changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
Unscheduled Report  
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## **Executive Summary**

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) has officially increased the duty for imported corn to fifty percent.

Most traders had anticipated that the duty would be increased early this year, but hoped the date would be closer to end August, when the new corn crop is harvested.

Last year, the Ministry raised the corn duty to fifty percent on September 11, 1999, but lowered it again to thirty percent in May, right before the TMO (Turkish Grain Board) corn imports arrived. TMO still has stocks of over 135,000 tons U.S. corn, which it hopes to sell before the new crop is harvested.