

# Prevalence of Bacteria in Ground Turkey

We tested 257 samples of ground turkey purchased at retail from 21 states around the country for the presence of five bacteria. Samples included products from 27 different brands including major and store brands.

The table below shows how many of each bacterium was found on samples that came from different processing plants. Plants often process turkey for multiple brands and in the table below we have aggregated all of the findings for each plant. In some cases, we purchased only a few samples that were processed at a particular plant, and in those cases we have grouped the findings from those plants together.

The plants represent establishments that produce meat, poultry, and/or egg products regulated by USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service, and they are assigned numbers required to be on packaging. To see the name and location of the establishment, go to [http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Meat\\_Poultry\\_Egg\\_Inspection\\_Directory/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/Meat_Poultry_Egg_Inspection_Directory/index.asp)

USDA plant number	Brand in CR tests	Antibiotic package claim	Number of samples	Number of samples positive for each organism				
				Salmonella	Campylobacter	Generic E. Coli	Enterococcus	Staph Aureus
P18	<b>Shady Brook Farms</b>	No claim	46	0	0	32	26	7
	<b>Kroger Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Harris Teeter Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Giant Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Publix Brand</b>	No claim						
P963	<b>Honeysuckle White Brand</b>	No claim	42	4	0	21	39	1
	<b>Kroger Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Giant Eagle Brand</b>	No claim						
P157	<b>Foster Farms</b>	No claim	39	2	0	24	22	7
	<b>Kroger Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Coastal Range Organics</b>	No Antibiotics						
P286	<b>Perdue</b>	No claim	37	1	0	24	22	5
	<b>Kroger Brand</b>	No claim						
	<b>Harvestland</b>	No Antibiotics						
P190	<b>Jennie-O</b>	No claim	35	2	0	16	24	5
	<b>Safeway Farms</b>	No claim						
P244	<b>Plainville Farms</b>	No Antibiotics	28	1	0	19	23	13
	<b>Natures Rancher</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Harvestland</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Wild Harvest</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Natures Place</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Natures Promise</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Wegmans Brand</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Giant Eagle Natures Basket</b>	No Antibiotics						
Other	<b>Weis Brand (P22000)</b>	No claim	30	2	0	19	22	1
	<b>Members Mark (P22000)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Trader Joes Butcher Shop (P17937)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Kadejan (P34145)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Jennie-O (P579)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Trader Joes Butcher Shop (P4398)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Trader Joes Butcher Shop (P312A)</b>	No claim						
	<b>Kosher Valley (P1015)</b>	No Antibiotics						
	<b>Eberly (P9965)</b>	No Antibiotics						
<b>Whole Foods Brand (not stated)</b>	No Antibiotics							
Total			257	12	0	155	178	39