

turkey

[ˈtʊ:ki] *n*

1. 1) *зоол.* индюк, индейка (*Meleagris gallopavo*)

- turkey cock - индюк
- hen turkey - индейка
- young turkey - индюшонок
- wild turkey - дикая индейка

2) *кул.* индейка, индюшка

2. *сл.* провал, неудача

3. 1) *амер. сл.* тупица; ничтожество; неудачник

2) бесперспективная затея

◇ to talk turkey - *амер.* говорить прямо /начистоту, без обиняков/

to say turkey to one and buzzard to another - *амер.* поставить одного в лучшее положение по сравнению с другим

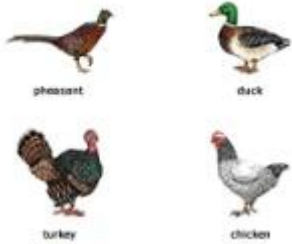
to walk turkey - *амер. мор.* испытывать бортовую и килевую качку

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tur·key [turkey turkeys] *BrE* [ˈtʊrki] *NAmE* [ˈtʊrki] **noun**
(pl. tur·keys)

Poultry and game



1. **countable** a large bird that is often kept for its meat, eaten especially at Christmas in Britain and at Thanksgiving in the US
 2. **uncountable** meat from a **turkey**
 - roast turkey
 3. **countable** (*NAmE, informal*) a failure
 - His latest movie is a real turkey.
 4. **countable** (*NAmE, informal*) a stupid or useless person
- see also** ↑cold turkey, **see** talk turkey **at** ↑talk *v.*

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: short for turkeycock or turkeyhen, originally applied to the guineafowl (which was imported through Turkey), and then mistakenly to the American bird.

Example Bank:

- We raise turkeys mainly for the Christmas market.
- the traditional turkey with all the trimmings

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tur·key /ˈtʊrki/ *BrE* *AmE* **noun**

[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: Turkey; because the bird looked like the guinea fowl, which was brought into Europe through Turkey]

1.



- [countable] a bird that looks like a large chicken and is often eaten at Christmas and at Thanksgiving
 2. [uncountable] the meat from a turkey eaten as food:
 - roast turkey
 3. [countable] *American English informal* an unsuccessful film or play
 4. **talk turkey** *especially American English informal* to talk seriously about details, especially in business
- ⇒ ↑cold turkey

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- **failure** *noun* [countable] someone or something that is not successful: The book was a complete failure. | I felt a complete failure.
- **flop** *noun* [countable] *informal* something that is not successful because people do not like it – used especially about a film,

- play, product, or performance: Despite the hype, the movie was a flop at the box office. | Their next computer was a flop.
- **disaster** *noun* [countable] used when saying that something is extremely unsuccessful: Our first date was a disaster. | Their marriage was a total disaster.
 - **fiasco** *noun* [countable usually singular] something that is completely unsuccessful and goes very badly wrong – used especially about things that have been officially planned, which go very wrong: The baggage system broke down on the first day the airport was open. It was a complete fiasco. | The fiasco came close to ending de Gaulle's political career.
 - **debacle** *noun* [countable usually singular] *formal* an event or situation that is a complete failure, because it does not happen in the way that it was officially planned: the banking debacle that has put our economy at risk
 - **shambles** *noun* [singular] *especially British English* if a situation or event is a shambles, it is completely unsuccessful because it has been very badly planned or organized, and no one seems to know what to do: The first few shows were a shambles, but things soon got better.
 - **washout** *noun* [singular] *informal* a failure – used when something is so bad that it would be better if it had not happened: The play wasn't a complete washout; the acting was okay. | His most recent and ambitious project, a big-budget Hollywood film, was a washout with both critics and audiences alike.
 - **turkey** *noun* [countable] *informal* something that is so bad and unsuccessful that you think the people involved should be embarrassed about it – a very informal use: At the time most people thought the car was a complete turkey. | Since then he has appeared in a string of turkeys.

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