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2026 CNC Lathe Market Report

Asking-price evidence, manufacturer and model mix, machine age and a practical guide to used turning equipment.

4,021 listing records | 3,410 qualified prices | Median \$35,000

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Market findings

The MBB category snapshot contains **4,021** indexable records and **3,410** qualified asking prices. The median is **\$35,000**; the middle 50 percent runs from **\$17,000** to **\$75,000**.

These are published asking prices—not completed-sale prices, appraisals or offers. Exact configuration, condition, documentation and production-readiness cost must be evaluated for a specific machine.

LISTING RECORDS	QUALIFIED PRICES	Q1	MEDIAN	Q3
4,021	3,410	\$17,000	\$35,000	\$75,000

What this equipment does

A CNC lathe removes material while the workpiece rotates. Turning centers can add live tooling, C- or Y-axis motion, subspindles, bar feeding, parts handling and milling functions, so two machines grouped under the same broad category may support very different production plans.

The turning category spans toolroom lathes, two-axis production machines, Swiss-type systems, vertical turning centers and multi-axis, twin-spindle platforms. Chuck size or maximum turning diameter alone cannot explain value.

Manufacturer evidence

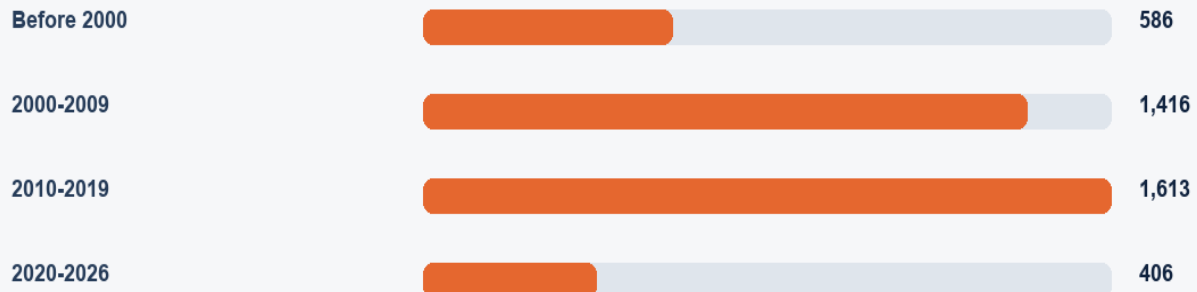
Median asking price by manufacturer



Manufacturer	Listings	Qualified	Q1	Median	Q3
Haas	1,147	980	\$18,500	\$30,000	\$53,000
Mazak	614	537	\$15,000	\$39,000	\$85,000
Doosan	385	324	\$34,879	\$68,155	\$120,000
Okuma	279	243	\$17,775	\$53,550	\$120,000
Mori Seiki	160	135	\$12,500	\$27,500	\$46,000
Tsugami	149	130	\$35,550	\$76,500	\$133,750
Daewoo	118	108	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$25,000
Citizen	90	68	\$19,500	\$30,500	\$70,000
Dmg Mori Seiki	84	62	\$72,125	\$117,500	\$187,500
Star	63	52	\$14,250	\$41,250	\$100,000

Age, configuration and condition

Indexed listings by production-year range



What changes value

- Turning diameter, turning length, bar capacity, spindle bore and chuck configuration
- Two-axis versus live tooling, C axis, Y axis, subspindle, twin turret or Swiss configuration
- Spindle speed, power, bearing condition and evidence under load
- Turret type, station count, alignment, live-tool holders and included workholding
- Bar feeder, parts catcher, chip conveyor, high-pressure coolant and automation interfaces
- Control generation, hours, maintenance, geometry and service or parts availability

Age helps organize comparisons, but it cannot establish control condition, remaining support, geometry, maintenance, installed options or the cost to make a machine productive again.

Buyer and seller decision guide

Buyer inspection framework

1. Confirm main- and subspindle specifications, chuck or collet hardware, bar capacity and included tooling.
2. Run each spindle and live-tool station; document noise, temperature, vibration and alarms.
3. Index the turret repeatedly and verify alignment, clamp condition and every driven-tool position.
4. Check axes, backlash, tailstock, parts catcher, bar feeder, conveyor, lubrication and coolant systems.
5. Review a representative cutting cycle and inspect a part when the transaction warrants it.
6. Model the complete cell: machine, feeder, workholding, tooling, metrology, mist control and restart cost.

Seller evidence package

Document the exact turning configuration. A listing should distinguish a basic two-axis lathe from a live-tool, Y-axis or subspindle platform and identify chuck, collet, feeder, holders, presetter and conveyor inclusions. Current operating evidence and clean payment/removal terms reduce ambiguity.

Production readiness

Turning cells need room for the machine, control access, bar feeder or automation, stock loading, chip handling and maintenance. Verify floor, power, transformer needs, air, coolant and mist management, bar length, material flow, tooling standards and service support.

Methods, safety and sources

MBB filtered the September 25, 2026 catalog snapshot to indexable records whose normalized category equals 'CNC Lathe'. Price statistics include numeric asking prices from \$500 through \$5 million. The records are not a probability sample of all machines, and source mix, missing prices, stale listings and incomplete machine facts can bias the result.

Safety context

Rotating workholding, stock, chuck jaws and bar-feed systems create machine-specific hazards. Qualified reviewers should address guarding, interlocks, safe workholding, electrical requirements and hazardous-energy control. OSHA's standards page points to general requirements and ANSI B11 standards for lathes and turning machines.

Sources

OSHA machine-guarding standards: <https://www.osha.gov/etools/machine-guarding/standards>

OSHA machine-guarding introduction: <https://www.osha.gov/etools/machine-guarding/introduction>

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