

FOREIGN TRADE OF TURKEY

Foreign Trade Policy

Due to the implementation of the liberalization process since the 1980s, the Turkish economy has experienced a period of high growth. Foreign trade, both in exports and imports, has grown rapidly and noteworthy changes in the structure of exports have taken place. The dominant role of agricultural products in exports came to an end in favour of industrial products. At the same time the product composition of exports diversified and the volume of foreign trade increased about three-fold in that decade.

The Customs Union established with the European Union and the conclusion of the Uruguay Round are the main determinant factors shaping Turkey's foreign trade policies and orientations. The Customs Union incorporates Turkey into the single European market by extending most of the EU's conventions on trade and competition to Turkish industry.



Foreign Trade

Volume/Trade Balance

In 2005, Turkish exports reached over US\$ 73 billion, recording an increase of 16% over 2004. Imports on the other hand recorded an annual increase of 19.3 %, parallel to the boost in the domestic production and amounted to US\$ 116.3 billion. The foreign trade volume reached to US\$ 189.6 billion with an increase of 18% compared to the previous year. The export/import ratio decreased from 64.7% in 2004 to 63.0% in 2005. The foreign trade balance showed a deficit of US\$ 43.1 billion, registering an increase of 25.3% compared to 2004.

FOREIGN TRADE OF TURKEY (US\$ Million)

	2002		2003		2004		2005	
	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)
Export	36.059	15,1	47.253	31,0	63.121	33,6	73.275	16,0
Import	51.554	24,5	69.340	34,5	97.540	40,7	116.352	19,3
Balance	15.495	53,9	-22.087	42,5	-34.419	55,8	- 43.076	25,3
Export/Import	69.9	-7,7	68.1	-2,6	64.7	-5,2	63.0	-2,6
Volume	87.613	20,5	116.593	33,1	160.661	37,8	189.627	18,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics

Exports

In 2005, exports of agricultural products grew by 30.5% in comparison with the previous year, and also their share in total exports increased from 4.0% to 4.5%. In mining and quarrying products, an increase of 24.5% was observed over 2004 and their share in total exports was registered as 1.1%. The share of manufactured products in total exports on the other hand was 93.7% in 2005, recording an annual increase of 15.3%, amounting to US\$ 68.6 billion.

Edible fruits, which constitute the backbone of agricultural exports, showed an increase of 31.1% and amounted to US\$ 2.5 billion in 2005.



Among industrial products, the textile and ready-to-wear industries continued to play a major role in Turkish exports. Iron and steel products are another important group in exports with US\$ 4.7 billion in 2005. Electrical machinery and equipment, non-electrical machinery and mechanical equipment, motor vehicles and parts are other important export products. Exports of vehicles and parts have shown a significant increase of 15% in 2005 and amounted to US\$ 9.5 billion.

Turkey's export markets are highly diversified. The largest export market for Turkish products is Germany. Turkish exports to Germany have increased since the unification of East and West Germany. Turkey's exports to Middle-Eastern and Asian countries have increased overall since 1990. As the UN embargo on trade with Iraq lifted in May 2003, Turkey realised US\$ 2.7 billion exports to Iraq in 2005, with a share of 3.7% in total exports and Irak has turned out to

be the 6th major export partner country of Turkey.

In 2005, the OECD countries took a share of 60.4% with a value of US\$ 44.3 billion in the total exports of Turkey. Among OECD members, exports to the EU were US\$ 38.3 billion, which is equal to 52.3% of total exports. Among the top ten markets for Turkey, eight of them are from the OECD group. Top ten markets accounted 59.3% of total exports in 2005. In this group, Germany, with its 12.9% share, is the major market for Turkey. Turkey's second largest export market is the U.K with a share of 8.1% whereas Italy with its share of 7.7% constitutes the third largest market for Turkey replacing the 3rd rank

of USA in 2004. Member countries of the Islamic Conference took a share of 17.7% in exports of 2005 with a value of US\$ 13.0 billion.



EXPORTS BY MAIN SECTORS (US\$ Million)

Sectors	2002		2003		2004		2005	
	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)	Value	Change (%)
Agriculture	1.754	4,8	2.121	4,5	2.542	4,0	3,318	4,5
Fishery	51	0,1	81	0,2	103	0,1	137	0,2
Mining	387	1,1	469	1,0	649	1,0	808	1,1
Manufacturing	33.702	93,5	44.378	94,9	59.533	94,3	68,630	93,7
Others	164	0,5	204	0,4	103	1,0	382	0,5
Total	36.059	100,0	47.253	100,0	63.121	100,0	73,275	100,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics

MAJOR EXPORT ITEMS (US\$ Thousand)

	2003	2004	2005	Change% (2005-04)
Live animals	8.217	7.311	5.162	-29,4
Meat	18.720	22.487	36.192	60,9
Fish	124.842	180.514	202.794	12,3
Dairy produce, eggs, honey	78.442	66.225	79.189	19,6
Other products of animal origin	48.705	47.546	40.638	-14,5
Live trees and other plants	31.486	37.748	35.636	-5,6
Vegetables	473.336	485.740	529.176	8,9
Fruit	1.391.984	1.902.515	2.494.852	31,1
Coffee, tea, spices	61.130	64.041	64.315	0,4
Cereals	56.164	17.463	114.610	556,3
Products of the milling industry	139.968	235.212	478.588	103,5
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	73.323	80.261	96.560	20,3
Vegetable saps and extracts	1.900	2.849	2.615	-8,2
Vegetable plaiting materials	16.889	15.563	17.082	9,8
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	347.174	277.049	501.328	81,0
Preparations of meat, of fish and of molasses	31.661	35.633	42.107	18,2
Sugars and sugar confectionery	186.972	217.803	202.118	-7,2
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	181.426	231.784	242.444	4,6
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk	239.009	304.125	345.624	13,6
Preparations of vegetables and fruits	671.357	980.423	1.279.380	30,5
Miscellaneous edible preparations	159.716	194.286	235.304	21,1
Beverages, spirits and vinegar	70.429	113.696	147.489	29,7
Waste from the food industries, animal fodder	13.832	10.928	15.406	41,0
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	418.809	477.848	589.987	23,5
Salt, sulphur, earth, plastering mat., lime, cement	732.669	917.980	1.119.643	22,0
Ores, slag and ash	109.151	202.087	277.918	37,5
Mineral fuels and oils	980.133	1.429.186	2.614.264	82,9
Inorganic chemicals	238.106	315.746	371.860	17,8
Organic chemicals	207.263	298.290	255.306	-14,4

Pharmaceutical products	179.444	248.216	282.391	13,8
Fertilizers	20.371	39.178	37.656	-3,9
Tanning or dyeing extracts	135.022	177.767	233.935	31,6
Essential oils and resinous	153.503	203.187	256.244	26,1
Soap	319.076	377.372	411.917	9,2
Albuminoidal substances	19.559	25.581	34.553	35,1
Explosives	12.276	12.818	13.074	2,0
Photographic or cinematographic goods	7.402	5.755	7.537	31,0
Miscellaneous chemical products	95.566	121.883	160.445	31,6
Plastics and articles thereof,	926.036	1.323.732	1.719.339	29,9
Rubber and articles thereof	684.092	841.431	1.007.734	19,8
Raw hides, skins and leather	79.901	84.629	87.460	3,3
Articles of leather	316.285	324.186	330.169	1,8
Fur skins and artificial fur	159.622	149.069	155.130	4,1
Wood and articles of wood	145.381	203.276	246.038	21,0
Cork and articles of cork	170	175	320	82,9
Manufactures of plaiting materials	753	539	511	-5,2
Pulp of cellulose material and waste of paper	637	659	937	42,2
Paper and paperboard	386.200	478.502	581.048	21,4
Printed books, newspapers etc	30.945	37.212	49.412	32,8
Silk	3.628	6.091	4.557	-25,2
Wool	132.833	167.572	180.145	7,5
Cotton. cotton yarn and cotton fabric	997.278	1.219.991	1.177.527	-3,5
Paper yarn and woven fabrics	15.813	17.585	25.078	42,6
Man-made filaments	638.824	796.562	893.553	12,2
Man-made staple fibers	767.028	925.406	958.381	3,6
Wadding, felt and non-wovens	98.236	166.638	178.633	7,2
Carpets and other floor coverings	381.036	517.543	669.388	29,3
Special woven fabrics	362.628	454.059	549.487	21,0
Impregnated, coated etc fabrics	202.635	239.060	260.653	9,0
Knitted or crocheted fabrics	343.559	441.763	569.597	28,9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories knitted	5.732.569	6.259.222	6.588.132	5,3
Articles of apparel and clothing acc. not knitted	3.813.876	4.536.829	4.858.636	7,1
Other made-up textile articles	1.631.925	1.856.536	1.968.178	6,0
Footwear and the like	183.788	204.917	215.668	5,2
Headgear and parts thereof	5.495	7.724	8.150	5,5
Umbrellas, walking-sticks, whips	3.340	4.155	6.308	51,8
Feathers and down and artificial flowers	487	397	453	14,1
Articles of stone, plaster or similar materials	384.157	573.970	752.003	31,0
Ceramic products	503.840	640.640	682.178	6,5
Glass and glassware	520.303	614.566	630.931	2,7
Pearls, precious stones, coin	810.364	1.063.946	1.314.013	23,5
Iron and steel	2.969.012	5.359.512	4.958.626	-7,5

Articles of iron and steel	1.391.047	2.226.923	2.722.031	22,2
Copper and articles thereof	240.312	382.127	511.076	33,7
Nickel and articles thereof	977	1.953	2.944	50,7
Aluminium and articles thereof	497.338	649.488	873.420	34,5
Lead and articles thereof	1.350	5.904	3.510	-40,5
Zinc and articles thereof	4.722	10.229	9.608	-6,1
Tin and articles thereof	115	426	636	49,3
Other base metals, cermets, articles thereof	1.190	2.517	2.665	5,9
Tools of base metal	41.977	53.867	65.770	22,1
Miscellaneous articles of base metal	152.515	217.346	281.857	29,7
Boilers, machinery, mechanical appliances	2.992.983	4.125.934	5.233.767	26,9
Electrical machinery and equipment	3.474.510	4.790.306	5.416.691	13,1
Railway or tramway locomotives	38.801	25.772	30.935	20,0
Vehicles other than railway	5.272.017	8.288.799	9.530.546	15,0
Aircraft	444.167	490.812	247.519	-49,6
Ships, boats and floating structures	440.511	686.334	1.251.159	82,3
Optical instruments and apparatus	119.160	159.323	178.486	12,0
Clocks	7.054	7.713	7.339	-4,8
Musical instruments	3.323	4.357	5.109	17,3
Arms and ammunition	71.820	75.471	79.454	5,3
Furniture	634.417	855.707	955.908	11,7
Toys, games and sports equipment	21.404	25.130	26.823	6,7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	58.341	69.957	79.435	13,5
Works of art and collectors pieces	335	1.231	418	-66,0
Other products	54.745	107.332	254.460	137,1
Total	47.252.836	63.167.153	73.275.276	16,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics

EXPORTS BY COUNTRY GROUPS (US\$ Thousand)

	2003	%	2004	%	2005	%
Total	47.252.836	100,0	63.120.949	100,0	73.275.276	100,0
A-E.U COUNTRIES	25.898.731	54,8	34.435.664	54,6	38.349.561	52,3
1-European Union (EU) (15)	24.484.137	51,8	32.573.846	51,6	35.825.390	48,9
2-European Union (EU) (10)	1.414.593	3,0	1.861.818	2,9	2.524.171	3,4
B-FREE ZONES IN TURKEY	1.928.266	4,1	2.563.630	4,1	2.963.841	4,0
C-OTHER COUNTRIES	19.425.840	41,1	26.121.655	41,4	31.961.874	43,6
1-Other European Countries	4.857.028	10,3	6.628.614	10,5	8.780.382	12,0
2-North African Countries	1.576.974	3,3	2.202.832	3,5	2.540.184	3,5
3-Other African Countries	554.243	1,2	764.791	1,2	1.085.617	1,5
4-Middle East Countries	3.972.875	8,4	5.192.640	8,2	5.252.277	7,2
5-Central America and Caribbean	166.016	0,4	333.715	0,5	410.662	0,6
6-South America Countries	130.540	0,3	192.754	0,3	273.783	0,4
7-Near And Middle Eastern	5.464.810	11,6	7.914.846	12,5	10.113.549	13,8

8-Other Asian Countries	2.347.927	5,0	2.542.943	4,0	3.027.204	4,1
9-Australia and New Zealand	158.098	0,3	264.495	0,4	270.776	0,4
10-Other Countries	197.329	0,4	84.026	0,1	207.439	0,3
Selected country groups						
OECD Countries	30.424.741	64,4	40.480.619	64,1	44.279.953	60,4
EFTA Countries	538.086	1,1	657.981	1,0	819.853	1,1
Org. of Black sea Economic Co-operation	5.044.444	10,7	6.778.626	10,7	8.603.960	11,7
Organization for Economic Co-operation	1.569.221	3,3	2.205.870	3,5	2.658.938	3,6
New Independent States	2.962.593	6,3	3.961.619	6,3	5.046.613	6,9
Turkish Republics	899.114	1,9	974.380	1,5	1.405.954	1,9
Organization of Islamic Conference	7.204.574	15,2	10.208.784	16,2	12.988.847	17,7

Source: State Institute of Statistics

MAJOR EXPORT PARTNERS, 2004-05, Value (US\$ '000)

	2004	Share %	2005	Share %
Germany	8.745.282	13,9	9.448.841	12,9
United Kingdom	5.543.924	8,8	5.916.122	8,1
Italy	4.640.252	7,4	5.606.206	7,7
U.S.A	4.848.636	7,7	4.887.337	6,7
France	3.668.418	5,8	3.791.031	5,2
Spain	2.618.369	4,1	3.009.093	4,1
Iraq	1.820.802	2,9	2.724.740	3,7
Netherlands	2.138.004	3,4	2.467.331	3,4
Russian Fed	1.859.187	2,9	2.374.372	3,2
Israel	1.313.890	2,1	1.462.473	2,0
Romania	1.235.485	2,0	1.783.615	2,4
U.A.E.	1.139.465	1,8	1.669.363	2,3
Belgium	1.183.181	1,9	1.291.150	1,8
Bulgaria	894.326	1,4	1.178.458	1,6
Greece	1.170.835	1,9	1.124.091	1,5
Saudi Arabia	768.519	1,2	961.221	1,3
Iran	812.580	1,3	905.394	1,2
Algeria	806.115	1,3	805.971	1,1
Poland	697.677	1,1	829.299	1,1
Denmark	637.306	1	732.683	1,0
Di er	16.576.692	26,3	20.306.485	27,7
Toplam	63.120.949	100,0	73.275.276	100,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics

Imports

The Turkish import regime highlights the liberalization of Turkish imports in line with its commitments to complete the Customs Union with the EU, its relationship with EFTA and its obligations under the WTO. Turkey placed special emphasis on its engagement to reduce the customs duties in order to align itself with the Common Customs Tariff. Turkey made the necessary modifications in its import regime, and by January 1, 1996 the Customs Union with the EU became effective.

The basic aims of the Turkish import policy since the early 1980's could be summarised as follows:

- Reduction of protectionist measures in conformity with the new GATT rules
- Reduction of bureaucratic procedures
- Securing the raw material supply and intermediary goods at suitable prices with certain quality standards.

In 2005, Turkish imports recorded an increase of 19.3%. This rise in imports was due to strong domestic demand, high oil prices, keeping Turkish Lira still strong and growth in demand for Turkish export products highly dependent on imported inputs in production. According to the main commodity groups, the share of capital goods in total imports was 17.4% with an increase of 16.7% over 2004. The imports of intermediate goods on the other hand constituted 70.1% of total imports and attained US\$ 81.5 billion with a rise of 20.7% as compared to the previous year. An increase of 15.2% was recorded in the imports of consumption goods at the end of 2005. The share of consumption goods was 12.0% with a value of US\$ 13.9 billion.

As for the main sectors, the share of agricultural products in total imports was 2.4%. Imports of mining and quarrying products took a share of 14.0%. In 2005, manufactured products remained to be the largest product group in imports. The share of manufactured products was 80.7%

with a value of US\$ 93.8 billion in 2005 and with an increase of 16.6% compared to the previous year. As for agricultural products, cereals and animal or vegetable fats and oils are the major import items while mineral fuels and oils, machinery and mechanical equipment, electrical machinery and equipment, iron and steel, plastic products, vehicles and parts, organic chemical industry products and pharmaceutical products are important among industrial products.

As in past years the OECD countries took the largest share in total imports. The value of imports from OECD countries was US\$ 65.8 billion in 2005 with a share of 56.6 % in total imports. Imports from EU countries took the biggest share in this group. Their share in total imports was 46.6% with a value of US\$ 45.4 billion. Five EU members are among the top ten suppliers of the Turkish market. Germany is the first source for Turkish imports. Imports from Germany registered a rise of 8.6% compared to the previous year and amounted to US\$ 13.6 billion. Germany's share in total imports was 11.7% in 2005. Russian Federation ranked second as an important source with its 11.0% share with a value of US\$ 12.8 billion. It is followed by an OECD member, Italy, with a share of 6.5%. One of the most striking countries in Turkish imports in 2005 was China which climbed two ranks up, to the fourth rank replacing both France and USA first time, recording US\$ 6.8 billion and constituting a share of 5.9% in total imports of Turkey. The fifth major supplier country of Turkey in 2005 was France with a share of 5.0 % and value of US\$ 5.9 billion. The Turkish imports from USA remained only at the 6th rank in 2005, having a share of 4.6% and value of US\$ 5.4 billion. Imports from OECD countries were increased by 10.5 % in 2005. In 2005, significant import increase from Islamic Conference member countries was observed reaching to US\$ 14.4 billion and constituting the share of 12.4 % over total imports. The increase was about 36 % compared to previous year.

IMPORTS BY MAIN SECTORS (US\$ Million)

Sectors	2002		2003		2004		2005	
	Value	% Total	Value	% Total	Value	% Total	Value	% Total
Agriculture	1.706	3,3	2.5357	3,7	2.7572	2,8	2.786	2,4
Fishery	19	0,0	28	0,0	88	0,0	24	0,0
Mining	7,192	14,0	9.0218	13,0	10.9817	11,3	16.314	14,0
Manufacturing	41.383	80,3	55.6906	80,3	80.4472	82,5	93.838	80,7
Others	1.272	2,5	2.0923	3,0	3.3467	3,4	3.390	2,9
Total	51.555	100,0	69.3402	100,0	97.5406	100,0	116.352	100,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics

IMPORTS BY MAIN COMMODITY GROUPS (US\$ '000)

	2004	2005	% Total 2005	Change% 2005/04
TOTAL	97.539.766	116.351.727	100,0	19,3
INVESTMENT (CAPITAL) GOODS	17.397.440	20.299.974	17,4	16,7
Investment (capital) goods (excl. Transport vehicles)	13.493.688	17.058.159	14,7	26,4
Industrial goods related to transport vehicles and equipment	3.903.753	3.241.815	2,8	-17,0
RAW MATERIAL (INTERMEDIARY GOODS)	67.549.436	81.542.327	70,1	20,7
Unprocessed raw material for Industry	5.775.777	5.985.444	5,1	3,6
Processed raw material for Industry	33.407.212	39.343.686	33,8	17,8
Unprocessed fuels and oil	7.329.138	14.692.285	12,6	100,5
Parts of Investment Goods	6.432.180	6.727.468	5,8	4,6
Parts of Transport Vehicles	6.544.206	7.403.440	6,4	13,1
Unprocessed raw material base of food and drink	944.197	862.532	0,7	-8,6
Processed raw material base of food and drink	624.467	758.817	0,7	21,5
Other processed fuel and oil	6.492.259	5.768.656	5,0	-11,1
CONSUMPTION GOODS	12.100.277	13.943.553	12,0	15,2
Passenger Cars	4.213.556	4.295.745	3,7	2,0
Durable Consumption Goods	1.439.681	1.830.857	1,6	27,2
Semi-Durable Consumption Goods	1.910.785	2.495.314	2,1	30,6
Undurable Consumption Goods	3.184.391	3.411.925	2,9	7,1
Unprocessed consumption goods, base of food and drink	149.113	267.774	0,2	79,6
Processed consumption goods, base of food and drink	528.145	639.226	0,5	21,0
Engine gasoline and other light oil	556.012	710.998	0,6	27,9
Non-industrial transport vehicles and equipment	118.593	291.715	0,3	146,0
OTHERS	492.612	565.873	0,5	14,9
Other goods not elsewhere specified	492.612	565.873	0,5	14,9

Source: State Institute of Statistics

MAJOR IMPORT ITEMS (US\$ Thousand)

	2003	2004	2005	Change% (2005-04)
Total	69.339.692	97.539.766	116.351.727	19,3
Live animals	11.845	9.782	14.074	43,9
Meat	181	277	277	0,0
Fish	32.636	54.240	67.824	25,0
Dairy produce, eggs, honey	52.343	68.776	75.474	9,7
Other products of animal origin	33.057	31.920	31.223	-2,2
Live trees and other plants	15.699	23.505	33.764	43,6
Vegetables	30.090	32.943	77.774	136,1
Fruit	80.341	99.080	153.270	54,7
Coffee, tea, spices	24.408	30.501	39.559	29,7
Cereals	696.674	520.560	186.593	-64,2
Products of the milling industry	10.156	12.022	14.889	23,8
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits	479.436	530.499	695.740	31,1
Vegetable saps and extracts	38.065	41.297	38.561	-6,6
Vegetable plaiting materials	3.363	3.713	2.730	-26,5
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	495.252	511.211	721.934	41,2
Preparations of meat, of fish and of molasses	797	1.049	1.136	8,3
Sugars and sugar confectionery	34.095	37.520	43.738	16,6
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	198.900	218.426	181.516	-16,9
Preparations of cereals, flour, starch or milk	51.776	66.882	75.684	13,2
Preparations of vegetables and fruits	15.608	25.446	46.004	80,8
Miscellaneous edible preparations	157.192	228.186	276.902	21,3
Beverages, spirits and vinegar	18.716	48.982	51.142	4,4
Waste from the food industries, animal fodder	199.855	401.412	340.047	-15,3
Tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes	234.878	239.278	275.504	15,1
Salt, sulphur, earth, plaster materials, lime, cement	158.482	189.853	263.970	39,0
Ores, slag and ash	188.707	236.899	395.007	66,7
Mineral fuels and oils	11.575.069	14.407.288	21.226.154	47,3
Inorganic chemicals	548.051	700.958	776.772	10,8
Organic chemicals	2.332.491	3.016.973	3.520.110	16,7
Pharmaceutical products	2.019.378	2.710.136	2.845.676	5,0
Fertilizers	394.233	640.339	750.620	17,2
Tanning or dyeing extracts	849.698	1.030.059	1.122.234	8,9
Essential oils and resinous	358.096	471.573	530.119	12,4
Soap	236.750	298.307	341.524	14,5
Albuminoidal substances	151.602	198.740	235.961	18,7
Explosives	6.706	9.081	20.173	122,1
Photographic or cinematographic goods	159.911	197.241	213.086	8,0
Miscellaneous chemical products	743.088	960.110	1.128.465	17,5
Plastics and articles thereof,	3.235.625	4.763.094	5.767.547	21,1
Rubber and articles thereof	764.268	1.063.718	1.200.149	12,8
Raw hides, skins and leather	615.130	575.275	471.723	-18,0
Articles of leather	93.471	158.602	275.423	73,7
Fur skins and artificial fur	112.127	87.200	83.488	-4,3
Wood and articles of wood	339.324	568.310	791.048	39,2
Cork and articles of cork	3.324	4.790	5.705	19,1
Manufactures of plaiting materials	9.134	14.543	10.321	-29,0
Pulp of cellulose material and waste of paper	187.335	221.372	276.322	24,8

Paper and paperboard	1.163.890	1.527.642	1.752.680	14,7
Printed books, newspapers etc	92.871	119.050	137.748	15,7
Silk	11.285	21.344	29.200	36,8
Wool	341.140	417.438	409.730	-1,8
Cotton. cotton yarn and cotton fabric	1.641.454	1.982.197	2.070.808	4,5
Paper yarn and woven fabrics	110.202	164.816	179.919	9,2
Man-made filaments	860.895	1.008.240	1.114.461	10,5
Man-made staple fibers	951.502	1.173.892	1.127.185	-4,0
Wadding, felt and non-wovens	164.613	214.930	263.368	22,5
Carpets and other floor coverings	70.513	114.084	141.937	24,4
Special woven fabrics	254.281	219.305	235.315	7,3
Impregnated, coated etc fabrics	118.649	166.613	205.487	23,3
Knitted or crocheted fabrics	141.404	178.372	170.409	-4,5
Articles of apparel and clothing, knitted	140.508	224.454	252.689	12,6
Articles of apparel and clothing acc. not knitted	230.075	352.600	433.245	22,9
Other made-up textile articles	35.514	45.520	64.845	42,5
Footwear and the like	191.058	303.284	412.713	36,1
Headgear and parts thereof	7.568	10.352	18.596	79,6
Umbrellas, walking-sticks, whips	7.217	11.465	12.894	12,5
Feathers and down and artificial flowers	12.368	16.801	18.016	7,2
Articles of stone, plaster or similar materials	123.531	167.294	246.808	47,5
Ceramic products	112.559	153.133	232.165	51,6
Glass and glassware	235.420	339.375	440.818	29,9
Pearls, precious stones, coin	2.767.087	3.763.424	4.225.394	12,3
Iron and steel	4.747.844	8.031.522	9.388.698	16,9
Articles of iron and steel	827.360	928.097	1.178.538	27,0
Copper and articles thereof	571.385	1.079.856	1.419.260	31,4
Nickel and articles thereof	38.388	89.481	106.241	18,7
Aluminium and articles thereof	715.174	960.582	1.226.652	27,7
Lead and articles thereof	45.303	70.160	83.015	18,3
Zinc and articles thereof	110.170	172.410	224.695	30,3
Tin and articles thereof	10.864	21.679	24.755	14,2
Other base metals, cermet, articles thereof	15.024	31.231	40.171	28,6
Tools of base metal	182.611	270.768	340.625	25,8
Miscellaneous articles of base metal	224.690	339.271	407.473	20,1
Boilers, machinery, mechanical appliances	10.293.923	13.456.962	16.345.423	21,5
Electrical machinery and equipment	5.519.864	8.371.766	9.634.288	15,1
Railway or tramway locomotives	114.698	110.431	81.420	-26,3
Vehicles other than railway	5.383.395	10.237.024	10.542.424	3,0
Aircraft	153.310	1.211.254	313.362	-74,1
Ships, boats and floating structures	167.640	393.925	1.165.289	195,8
Optical instruments and apparatus	1.361.455	1.927.983	2.457.063	27,4
Clocks	94.364	134.520	145.836	8,4
Musical instruments	11.920	16.030	20.211	26,1
Arms and ammunition	103.117	132.672	108.610	-18,1
Furniture	250.224	397.835	527.842	32,7
Toys, games and sports equipment	122.126	184.412	235.691	27,8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	205.180	255.855	292.905	14,5
Works of art and collectors pieces	3.755	3.700	6.769	82,9
Other products	282.935	252.746	141.089	-44,2

IMPORTS BY COUNTRY GROUPS (US\$ Thousand)

	2003		2004		2005	
	Value	(%)	Value	(%)	Value	(%)
TOTAL	69.339.692	100,0	97.539.766	100,0	116.351.727	100,0
A-E.U COUNTRIES	33.494.705	48,3	45.443.720	46,6	49.047.580	42,2
1-European Union (EU) (15)	31.695.936	45,7	42.359.420	43,4	45.307.412	38,9
2-European Union (EU) (10)	1.798.769	2,6	3.084.299	3,2	3.740.168	3,2
B-FREE ZONES IN TURKEY	588.912	0,8	811.460	0,8	756.848	0,7
C-OTHER COUNTRIES	35.256.075	50,8	51.284.586	52,6	66.547.300	57,2
1-Other European Countries	11.986.932	17,3	18.415.950	18,9	23.783.940	20,4
2-North African Countries	2.518.707	3,6	3.231.235	3,3	4.203.095	3,6
3-Other African Countries	819.763	1,2	1.589.145	1,6	1.829.814	1,6
4-Middle East Countries	3.740.706	5,4	5.114.159	5,2	5.803.921	5,0
5-Central America and Caraiaps	169.378	0,2	209.040	0,2	286.037	0,2
6-South America Countries	1.012.373	1,5	1.271.462	1,3	1.710.057	1,5
7-Near And Middle Eastern	4.455.199	6,4	5.584.836	5,7	7.955.636	6,8
8-Other Asian Countries	9.643.755	13,9	15.500.398	15,9	20.495.696	17,6
9-Australia and New Zealand	246.974	0,4	301.553	0,3	320.788	0,3
10-Other Countries	662.288	1,0	66.810	0,1	158.315	0,1
Selected country groups						
OECD Countries	43.899.441	63,3	59.649.528	61,2	65.896.515	56,6
EFTA Countries	3.395.678	4,9	3.911.430	4,0	4.437.344	3,8
Org. of Blacksea Econ. Co-operation	9.297.694	13,4	15.368.136	15,8	20.401.278	17,5
Organization for Econ. Co-operation	2.735.688	3,9	3.217.953	3,3	5.101.529	4,4
New Independent States	7.777.111	11,2	12.926.894	13,3	17.178.364	14,8
Turkish Republics	623.295	0,9	753.526	0,8	1.262.278	1,1
Organization of Islamic Conf.	8.195.006	11,8	10.630.643	10,9	14.426.820	12,4

Source: State Institute of Statistics

MAJOR IMPORT PARTNERS, 2004-5, Value (US\$ '000)

	2004	Share %	2005	Share %
Germany	12.515.655	12,8	13.594.836	11,7
Russian Federation	9.033.138	9,3	12.856.769	11,0
Italy	6.865.811	7,0	7.539.796	6,5
China	4.476.077	4,6	6.848.184	5,9
France	6.201.348	6,4	5.874.763	5,0
U.S.A	4.745.195	4,9	5.360.624	4,6
United Kingdom	4.317.140	4,4	4.681.394	4,0
Switzerland	3.404.540	3,5	4.052.983	3,5
Spain	3.253.675	3,3	3.540.144	3,0
Japan	2.684.287	2,8	3.102.272	2,7
South Korea	2.572.537	2,6	3.475.729	3,0
Ukraine	2.509.351	2,6	2.632.355	2,3
Belgium	1.991.728	2,0	2.224.315	1,9
Iran	1.962.059	2,0	3.469.027	3,0
Netherlands	1.908.145	2,0	2.138.576	1,8
Romania	1.699.553	1,7	2.280.617	2,0
Libya	1.514.125	1,6	1.984.385	1,7
Saudi Arabia	1 231 507	1,3	1.886.473	1,6
Algeria	1.255.679	1,3	1.693.308	1,5
Other	24.629.723	25,3	27.115.177	23,3
Total	97.539.766	100,0	116.351.727	100,0

Source: State Institute of Statistics