



Middle East :: Turkey

Location:

Southeastern Europe and Southwestern Asia (that portion of Turkey west of the Bosphorus is geographically part of Europe), bordering the Black Sea, between Bulgaria and Georgia, and bordering the Aegean Sea and the Mediterranean Sea, between Greece and Syria

Geographic coordinates:

39 00N , 35 00E

Map references:

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Area:

total: 783,562 sq km

country comparison to the world: 37

land: 769,632 sq km

water: 13,930 sq km

Area - comparative:

slightly larger than Texas

Land boundaries:

total: 2,648 km

border countries: Armenia 268 km, Azerbaijan 9 km, Bulgaria 240 km, Georgia 252 km, Greece 206 km, Iran 499 km, Iraq 352 km, Syria 822 km

Coastline:

7,200 km

Maritime claims:

territorial sea: 6 nm in the Aegean Sea; 12nm in Black Sea and in Mediterranean Sea

exclusive economic zone: in Black Sea only: to the maritime boundary agreed upon with the former USSR

Climate:

temperate; hot, dry summers with mild, wet winters; harsher in interior

Terrain:

high central plateau (Anatolia); narrow coastal plain; several mountain ranges

Elevation extremes:

lowest point: Mediterranean Sea 0 m

highest point: Mount Ararat 5,166 m

Natural resources:

coal, iron ore, copper, chromium, antimony, mercury, gold, barite, borate, celestite (strontium), emery, feldspar, limestone, magnesite, marble, perlite, pumice, pyrites (sulfur), clay, arable land, hydropower

Land use:

arable land: 26.21%

permanent crops: 3.94%

other: 69.84% (2011)

Irrigated land:

53,400 sq km (2011)

Total renewable water resources:

211.6 cu km (2011)

People and Society :: Turkey

Nationality:

noun: Turk(s)

adjective: Turkish

Ethnic groups:

Turkish 70-75%, Kurdish 18%, other minorities 7-12% (2008 est .)

Languages:

Turkish (official), Kurdish, other minority languages

Religions:

Muslim 99.8% (mostly Sunni), other 0.2% (mostly Christians and Jews)

Population:

81,619,392 (July 2014 est.)

country comparison to the world: 17

Urbanization:

urban population: 71.5% of total population (2011)

rate of urbanization: 2.4% annual rate of change (2010 15 est .)

Major urban areas - population:

Istanbul 10.378 million; ANKARA (capital) 3.846 million; Izmir 2.679 million; Bursa 1.559 million; Adana 1.339 million (2009)

Government :: Turkey

Country name:

conventional long form: Republic of Turkey

conventional short form: Turkey

local long form: Türkiye Cumhuriyeti

local short form: Türkiye

Government type:

republican parliamentary democracy

Capital:

name: Ankara

geographic coordinates: 39 56N , 32 5E

Administrative divisions:

81 provinces (iller, singular - ili); Adana, Adiyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Agri, Aksaray, Amasya, Ankara, Antalya, Ardahan, Artvin, Aydin, Balikesir, Bartin, Batman, Bayburt, Bilecik, Bingol, Bitlis, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Canakkale, Cankiri, Corum, Denizli, Diyarbakir, Duzce, Edirne, Elazig, Erzincan, Erzurum, Eskisehir, Gaziantep, Giresun, Gumushane, Hakkari, Hatay, Igdirdir, Isparta, Istanbul, Izmir (Smyrna), Kahramanmaraş, Karabuk, Karaman, Kars, Kastamonu, Kayseri, Kilis, Kirikkale, Kirlareli, Kirsehir, Kocaeli, Konya, Kutahya, Malatya, Manisa, Mardin, Mersin, Mugla, Mus, Nevsehir, Nigde, Ordu, Osmaniye, Rize, Sakarya, Samsun, Sanliurfa, Siirt, Sinop, Sirnak, Sivas, Tekirdag, Tokat, Trabzon (Trebizond), Tunceli, Usak, Van, Yalova, Yozgat, Zonguldak

Independence:

29October 1923 (successor state to the Ottoman Empire)

National holiday:

Republic Day, 29October (1923)

Executive branch:

chief of state: President Abdullah GUL (since 28August 2007)

head of government: Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOGAN (since 14 March 2003)

International organization participation:

ADB (nonregional member), Australia Group, BIS, BSEC, CD, CE, CERN (observer), CICA, D-8, EAPC, EBRD, ECO, EU (candidate country),

FAO, FATF, G-20, IAEA, IBRD, ICAO, ICC (national committees), ICRM, IDA, IDB, IEA, IFAD, IFC, IFRCS, IHO, ILO, IMF, IMO, IMSO,

Interpol, IOC, IOM, IPU, ISO, ITSO, ITU, ITUC (NGOs), MIGA, NATO, NEA, NSG, OAS (observer), OECD, OIC, OPCW, OSCE, Paris Club

(associate), PCA, SELEC, UN, UNCTAD, UNESCO, UNHCR, UNIDO, UNIFIL, UNRWA, UNWTO, UPU, WCO, WFTU (NGOs), WHO, WIPO, WMO,

WTO, ZC

Economy :: Turkey

GDP (purchasing power parity):

\$1.167 trillion (2013 est.)

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\$1.124 trillion (2012 est.)

\$1.101 trillion (2011 est.)

note: data are in 2013US dollars

GDP (official exchange rate):

\$821.8 billion (2013 est.)

GDP - real growth rate:

3.8% (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 86

2.2% (2012 est.)

8.8% (2011 est.)

GDP - per capita (PPP):

\$5,300 (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 90

\$15,000 (2012 est.)

\$14,900 (2011 est.)

note: data are in 2013US dollars

Gross national saving:

19.4% of GDP (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 79

20.2% of GDP (2012 est.)

23.6% of GDP (2011 est.)

GDP - composition, by end use:

household consumption: 71%

government consumption: 15.4%

investment in fixed capital: 19.4%

investment in inventories: 0%

exports of goods and services: 26.6%

imports of goods and services: -32.5%

(2013 est.)

GDP - composition, by sector of origin:

agriculture: 8.9%

industry: 27.3%

services: 63.8% (2013 est.)

Agriculture - products:

tobacco, cotton, grain, olives, sugar beets, hazelnuts, pulses, citrus; livestock

Industries:

textiles, food processing, autos, electronics, mining (coal, chromate, copper, boron), steel, petroleum, construction, lumber, paper

Industrial production growth rate:

3.5% (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 84

Labor force:

27.91 million

country comparison to the world: 22

note: about 1.2 million Turks work abroad (2013 est.)

Labor force - by occupation:

agriculture: 25.5%

industry: 26.2%

services: 48.4% (2010)

Fiscal year:

calendar year

Exports:

\$167.6 billion (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 30

\$163.3 billion (2012 est.)

Exports - commodities:

apparel, foodstuffs, textiles, metal manufactures, transport equipment

Exports - partners:

Germany 8.6%, Iraq 7.1%, Iran 6.5%, UK 5.7%, UAE 5.4%, Russia 4.4%, Italy 4.2%, France 4.1% (2012)

Imports:

\$242.9 billion (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

\$228.6 billion (2012 est.)

Imports - commodities:

machinery, chemicals, semi-finished goods, fuels, transport equipment

Imports - partners:

Russia 11.3%, Germany 9%, China 9%, US 6%, Italy 5.6%, Iran 5.1% (2012)

Exchange rates:

Turkish liras (TRY) per US dollar -

1.899 (2013 est.)

1.796 (2012 est.)

1.5028 (2010 est.)

1.55 (2009)

1.3179 (2008)

Energy :: Turkey**Electricity - production:**

217.7 billion kWh (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 21

Electricity - consumption:

170.4 billion kWh (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 22

Electricity - exports:

1.49 billion kWh (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 51

Electricity - imports:

4.362 billion kWh (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 38

Electricity - installed generating capacity:

49.52 million kW (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 19

Electricity - from fossil fuels:

64.9% of total installed capacity (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 122

Electricity - from nuclear fuels:

0% of total installed capacity (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 191

Electricity - from hydroelectric plants:

32% of total installed capacity (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 72

Electricity - from other renewable sources:

3.1% of total installed capacity (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 58

Crude oil - production:

56,650 bbl/day (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 60

Crude oil - exports:

0 bbl/day (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 193

Crude oil - imports:

338,900 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 26

Crude oil- proved reserves:

270.4 million bbl (1 January 2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 54

Refined petroleum products - production:

418,200 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 36

Refined petroleum products - consumption:

706,100 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 26

Refined petroleum products - exports:

107,800 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 42

Refined petroleum products - imports:

301,300 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 22

Natural gas - production:

632 million cu m (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 69

Natural gas - consumption:

38.13 billion cu m (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 25

Natural gas - exports:

600 million cu m (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 45

Natural gas - imports:

45.92 billion cu m (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 10

Natural gas - proved reserves:

6.173 billion cu m (1 January 2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 89

Carbon dioxide emissions from consumption of energy:

296.3 million Mt (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

Communications :: Turkey

Telephones - main lines in use:

13.86 million (2012)

country comparison to the world: 18

Telephones - mobile cellular:

67.68 million (2012)

country comparison to the world: 20

Transportation :: Turkey

Airports:

98 (2012)

country comparison to the world: 58

Airports - with paved runways:

total: 91

over 3,047 m: 16

2,438 to 3,047 m: 38

1,524 to 2,437 m: 17

914 to 1,523 m: 16

under 914 m: 4 (2012)

Airports - with unpaved runways:

total: 7

1,524 to 2,437 m: 1

914 to 1,523 m: 4

under 914 m:

2 (2012)

Heliports:

20 (2012)

Pipelines:

gas 12,603 km; oil 3,038 km (2012)

Railways:

total: 12,008 km

country comparison to the world: 20

standard gauge: 12,008 km 1.435-m gauge (3,216 km electrified) (2012)

Roadways:

total: 385,748 km

country comparison to the world: 17

paved: 352,268 km (includes 2,127 km of expressways)

unpaved: 33,486 km (2012)

Waterways:

1,200 km (2010)

country comparison to the world: 60

Merchant marine:

total: 629

country comparison to the world: 18

by type: bulk carrier 102, cargo 281, chemical tanker 80, container 42, liquefied gas 6, passenger 2, passenger/cargo 60, petroleum tanker 25, refrigerated cargo 1, roll on/roll off 29, specialized tanker 1

foreign-owned: 1 (Italy 1)

registered in other countries: 645 (Albania 1, Antigua and Barbuda 7, Azerbaijan 1, Bahamas 3, Barbados 1, Belize 16, Brazil 1, Cambodia 15, Comoros 8, Cook Islands 4, Curacao 5, Cyprus 1, Dominica 1, Georgia 14, Italy 4, Kazakhstan 1, Liberia 16, Malta 233, Marshall Islands 70, Moldova 18, Panama 62, Russia 101, Saint Kitts and Nevis 18, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines 13, Sierra Leone 9, Slovakia 1, Tanzania 13, Togo 4, Tuvalu 1, unknown 3) (2010)

Ports and terminals:

major seaport(s): Aliaga, Ambarli, Diliskelesi, Ereğli, Izmir, Kocaeli (Izmit), Mersin (İcel), Limani, Yarımca

container port(s) (TEUs): Ambarli (2,121,549), Mersin (İcel) (1,126,866)