

## NEWS

### 2018 Starts With a Double Digit Increase in Exports

According to Turkish Exporters Assembly (TIM) data, Turkey's exports in January rose by 16.3 percent compared to the same month of the previous year and reached to 12 billion 198 million dollars. Thus, January 2018 was the best third January of all times with regard to export volume.

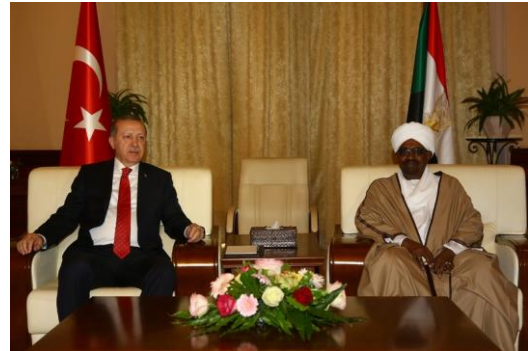


In January, exports of the largest exporting sector, automotive, realized 2.27 billion dollars, with an increase of 10.8 percent. Automotive is followed by Apparel (\$ 1.43 billion) and Chemicals (\$ 1.35 billion). Olive and Olive Oil with a 153 percent increase, leather and leather products with an increase of 42.3 percent and machinery and accessories with an increase of 32 percent were the sectors with the highest increase in exports in January.

For detailed information please click [here](#).

### Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement between Turkey and Sudan Has Been Signed

Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement between Turkey and Sudan has been signed on December 24, 2017 in Hartoum, during an official visit of the Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. The Agreement is expected to boost bilateral trade and economic relations between the two countries, through trade liberalization, investments and enhanced cooperation.



### Global Economy to Edge Up to 3.1 percent in 2018 but Future Potential Growth a Concern



The World Bank forecasts global economic growth to edge up to 3.1 percent in 2018 after a much stronger-than-expected 2017, as the recovery in investment, manufacturing, and trade continues, and as commodity-exporting developing economies benefit from firming commodity prices.

However, this is largely seen as a short-term upswing. Over the longer term, slowing potential growth—a measure of how fast an economy can expand

when labor and capital are fully employed—puts at risk gains in improving living standards and reducing poverty around the world, the World Bank warns in its [January 2018 Global Economic Prospects](#).

For the full report please click [here](#).

## SECTORS

### In the Fourth Quarter of 2017, Tourism Income Increased by 27.7%

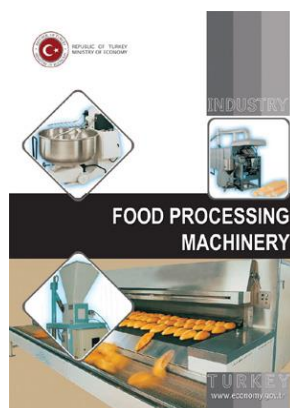
According to Turkish Statistical Institute report, in the fourth quarter of 2017, tourism income increased by 27.7% and reached to \$ 6 billion 109 million 187 thousand. While 77.7% of this income (excluding GSM roaming and marina service expenditures) was obtained from foreign visitors, 22.3% was obtained from citizens resident abroad.



With these figures, increase in total tourism income in 2017 was realised as 18.9% and reached to \$ 26.3 billion compared to the previous year. In this year, while individual expenditures constituted \$ 21.5 billion of the total tourism income, \$ 4.8 billion of tourism income was obtained by package tour expenditures. In this year while average expenditure per capita was \$ 681, the average expenditure of the foreigners was \$ 630 per capita, average expenditure of the Turkish citizens resident abroad was \$ 903 per capita.

For details, please click [here](#).

### Sectoral Reports: Food Processing Machinery



Changing lifestyles and tastes due to increased industrialization and urbanization, the increase in family income, and the decrease in available time for preparing meals have all resulted in a strong food processing sector. Accordingly, a large food processing sector has accelerated the development of the food processing machinery and equipment industry in Turkey.

The Turkish food processing machinery industry produces every kind of machinery and equipment required for food processing industry and most parts and accessories. The line of products manufactured varies substantially from highly automated equipment to manual and basic models. Moreover, food processing machinery manufacturers are



increasingly focusing on research & development activities in an attempt to comply with the demand for more sophisticated machinery and greater flexibility.

The Turkish food processing manufacturers/exporters follow European and international standards and norms. Companies exporting to the European Union affix the “CE Mark” under the “New Approach” Directives.

*For the full report, please visit the [Ministry of Economy](#) website.*

## Turkey Grows in Global Geothermal Power

The steady growth of geothermal power in Turkey in recent years has placed the country in the top four, among the countries with the largest installed capacity in the world, after USA, Philippines and Indonesia, as the country currently has a geothermal power capacity of 1,100 MW.



Turkey, an energy importing country, has been determinedly investing in domestic and renewable resources over the years to decrease dependency on external resources for power generation. As much as the results have been very promising with mega-scale investments in wind and solar power, Turkey is also a global actor in utilizing its geothermal resources.

*For more information please see the [Turkish Perspective Magazine](#) February 2018 issue.*

## EVENTS

### Take The Chance To Reach New Trade Partners - Buyers Missions

You can take the chance to reach new trade partners by participating in buyers mission programs.

Within these programs, foreign visitors participate in B2B meetings in Turkey **without any accommodation expenses**.

Buyers mission programs are organized in a wide range of sectors from food and agriculture to machinery and textiles under the coordination of the Ministry of Economy.

Choose the most suitable program for you from the table below, contact our [commercial representative](#) in your country and **let us host you in these events**.

EXHIBITON / EVENT	CITY	DATE	SECTORS	PROGRAM
Lifestyle Turkey	İstanbul	Feb 15-17, 2018	Modest fashion	Feb 14: Arrival, Feb 15: B2Bs and Briefing, Feb 16: Visit to Fair, Feb 17: Departure
ADANA IHS 2018	Adana	Feb 15-18, 2018	Heating, Cooling, Air Conditioning, Natural Gas Technology, Installation, Insulation	Feb 14: Arrival, Feb 15: B2Bs and Briefing, Feb 16: Visit to Fair, Feb 17: Departure
İstanbul Stationery- Office Fair	İstanbul	Feb 21-25, 2018	Stationery and Office equipments	Feb 20: Arrival, Feb 21: B2Bs and Briefing, Feb 22: Visit to Fair, Feb 23: Departure
Motobike İstanbul 2018	İstanbul	Feb 22-25, 2018	Motorcycle, Bicycles, Tuning, Accessories, Services	Feb 21: Arrival, Feb 22: B2Bs and Briefing, Feb 23: Visit to Fair, Feb 24: Departure
Samsun 3rd Furniture- Decoration 2018	Samsun	Mar 6-11, 2018	Furniture	Mar 5: Arrival, Mar 6: B2Bs and Briefing, Mar 7: Visit to Fair, Mar 8: Departure
Eurasia Window 2018 19th International Window Fair	İstanbul	Mar 7-10, 2018	Heating, Refrigeration, Ventilation, Air Condition, Pump, Valve	Mar 6: Arrival, Mar 7: B2Bs and Briefing, Mar 8: Visit to Fair, Mar 9: Departure
Antalya Furniture 2018	Antalya	Mar 7-11, 2018	Furniture, Interior Design, Carpet, Lighting, Decoration and Accessories	Feb 6: Arrival, Feb 7: B2Bs and Briefing, Feb 8: Visit to Fair, Feb 9: Departure

## Find Reliable Trade Partners Through Turkish Delegations In Your Country

Within the scope of foreign promotion activities, Republic of Turkey Ministry of Economy organizes various trade mission programs abroad. Please see the table below for a list of future trade delegations and contact our [commercial representative](#) in your country for detailed information.

PLACE	DATE	SECTORS
Rotterdam – Netherlands Manchester – UK Birmingham – UK	Feb 19-22, 2018	Copper
Casablanca – Morocco Tunis – Tunis	Feb 28-Mar 4, 2018	Medical
Moscow – Russian Fed.	Mar 4-8, 2018	Ready Wear
Algeria – Algeria Tunis – Tunis	Mar 4-8, 2018	IT

## Turkey's National Participations at Exhibitions - February 2018

Turkish companies from various sectors will participate in exhibitions from all around the world in February 2018 as listed below:

EXHIBITION	DATE	PLACE	SECTORS
THE 16TH INT'L EXHIBITION OF ACCESSORIES & FURNITURE'S MACHINERIES, EQUIPMENT & RELATED INDUSTRIES	Feb 12-15, 2018	Tehran-Iran	ACCESSORIES & FURNITURE'S MACHINERIES, EQUIPMENT & RELATED INDUSTRIES
PREMIERE VISION MANUFACTURING	Feb 13-15, 2018	Paris-France	FASHION
PREMIERE VISION FABRICS	Feb 13-15, 2018	Paris-France	FABRICS
BIOFACH 2018 - WORLD ORGANIC TRADE FAIR	Feb 14-17, 2018	Nurnberg-Germany	ORGANIC PRODUCTS
INHORGENTA MUNICH	Feb 16-19, 2018	Munich-Germany	JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND LIFESTYLE
GULFOOD	Feb 18-22, 2018	Dubai-UAE	FOOD AND BEVERAGE
CPM - COLLECTION PREMIERE MOSCOW	Feb 19-22, 2018	Moscow-Russian Fed.	FASHION
LINEAPELLE	Feb 20-22, 2018	Milan-Italy	LEATHER, ACCESSORIES, COMPONENTS, FABRICS, SYNTHETICS AND MODELS
IRAN AGRISHOW	Feb 21-24, 2018	Tehran-Iran	AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, INPUTS AND IRRIGATION MODERN SYSTEMS
EQUIPAUTO ALGERIA	Feb 26-Mar 1, 2018	Algeria-Algeria	AUTOMOTIVE AFTERSALES AND SERVICES FOR MOBILITY
EUROSHOES MOSCOW	Feb 26-Mar 1, 2018	Moscow-Russian Fed.	FOOTWEAR
EXPOCOMER	Feb 28-Mar 3, 2018	Panama-Panama	GENERAL TRADE
32. WEDDING SHOW MOSCOW	Mar 1-3, 2018	Moscow-Russian Fed.	BRIDAL, OCCASIONAL, GROOM'S WEAR, ACCESSORIES AND FABRICS
HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL JEWELLERY SHOW 2018	Mar 1-5, 2018	Hong Kong-China	JEWELLERY
INTERNATIONAL EISENWARENMESSE	Mar 4-7, 2018	Cologne-Germany	HARDWARE
THE BIG 5 SHOW SAUDI ARABIA	Mar 5-8, 2018	Jeddah-S. Arabia	BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
JEC WORLD 2018	Mar 6-8, 2018	Paris-France	COMPOSITES INDUSTRY
FERIA MUEBLA & MADERA	Mar 6-9, 2018	Bogota-Columbia	WOOD AND FURNITURE MANUFACTURING
XIAMEN STONE FAIR	Mar 6-9, 2018	Xiamen-China	STONE AND STONE PROCESSING
FOODEX JAPAN	Mar 6-9, 2018	Chiba-Japan	FOOD AND BEVERAGE
EXPO ANTAD & ALIMENTARIA	Mar 6-8, 2018	Guadalajara-Mexico	RETAIL INDUSTRY AND SUPPLYING CHAIN FROM DISTRIBUTION TO FOODSERVICE

MIDDLE EAST ELECTRICITY	Mar 6-8, 2018	Dubai-UAE	POWER GENERATION, TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION, ENERGY STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT
CONSTRUCT EXPO	Mar 8-11, 2018	Bucharest-Romania	CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS
ROMTHERM	Mar 8-11, 2018	Bucharest-Romania	HEATING, COOLING AND AIR CONDITIONING
AMBIENT EXPO	Mar 8-11, 2018	Bucharest-Romania	INTERIOR AND OUTDOOR DECORATION, FURNITURE AND SWIMMING POOL
INTERNATIONAL HOME AND HOUSEWARES SHOW (IHHS)	Mar 10-13, 2018	Chicago-USA	HOME AND HOUSEWARES
EXPO ERBİL AGRO PACK	Mar 11-14, 2018	Erbil-Iraq	FOOD, PACKAGING AND AGRICULTURE
EXPO ERBİL ER-CON	Mar 11-14, 2018	Erbil-Iraq	CONSTRUCTION, ELECTRICS, ENERGY
SEAFOOD EXPO NORTH AMERICA (SENA)	Mar 11-13, 2018	Boston-USA	SEAFOOD
21. CENTRAL ASIA FASHION SPRING - CATEXPO	Mar 11-13, 2018	Almaty-Kazakhstan	FASHION

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**For your trade inquiries about Turkish exporters lists,**  
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the Harmonized System (HS) Code of the product/sector of your interest.