CENTRAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS REPORT



2005 - III

SUMMARY

The downward trend in the rate of increase in imports and exports since the second half of 2004 persisted in the first nine months of 2005. The slowdown in exports became more apparent especially in the second quarter of the year. Hence, the foreign trade deficit within the definition of the balance of payments, which was USD 17.5 billion in the January-September 2004, realized as USD 24.6 billion in the same period of 2005. The rise in tourism revenues restricted a further expansion of the current account deficit. Accordingly, the current account deficit increased from USD 10.6 billion in the first nine months of 2004 to USD 16.4 billion in the corresponding period of 2005.

When analyzed by sectors, it is observed that the slowdown in imports mainly resulted from the slowdown in imports of capital goods and consumption goods, while the upward trend in imports of intermediary goods continued. Meanwhile, along the ongoing increase in the imports of intermediary goods, a recovery was observed in the imports of capital and consumption goods in the third quarter. In fact, the imports of capital and consumption goods, which grew by 13.5 percent and 2.7 percent, respectively, in the first half of 2005 compared to the same period of the previous year, increased by 19.4 percent and 24.8 percent, respectively, in the third quarter of the year. Though remaining below the growth in overall exports, the increase in exports of textile products and apparel, having the largest share in overall exports, continued as of the January-September period. Exports of textile products and apparel increased by 8.8 percent during this period.

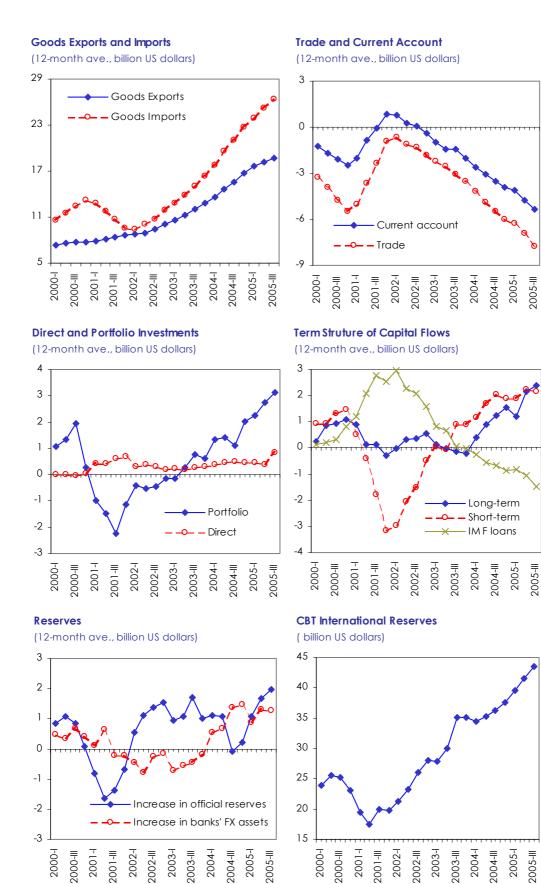
It is observed that both imports and exports were highly influenced by price movements in the January-September 2005 period. Hence, export prices increased by 7.3 percent, while import prices rose by 9.3 percent. Excluding the impact of price movements, the real increase in exports and imports became 6.3 percent and 9.6 percent, respectively. The impact of prices was stronger in crude oil, main metal industry, communication devices and food sectors due to their larger shares in foreign trade.

Excluding IMF loans and official reserve changes, (CBRT+banks), capital inflow became USD 28.6 billion in the first nine months of 2005. In this period, portfolio movements, long-term credits used by private sector and banks and trade credits became the primary determinants of the financing structure. A significant rise was observed in direct investments, as well. In this period, net long-term and short-term capital inflows, excluding portfolio, direct investments and IMF credits, realized as USD 8 billion and USD 8.6 billion, respectively. Besides, the net errors and omissions item became USD 4 billion in the first nine months.

As a result of these developments, Central Bank reserves increased by USD 8.6 billion, while the banks' reserves grew by USD 2.9 billion in the first nine months of 2005.

Balance of Payments (billion USD)

(billion USD)			1			
	2004	Jan-Sep	% change	Jan-S 2004	ep (12-mor	ith) change
Current Account	-10,6	-16,4	∕₀ chunge	-14,1	-21,4	
Goods	-17,5	-24,6		-21,8	-31,0	
Exports	47,9	55,4	 15,7	62,4	74,5	 19,4
Exports (fob)	45,0	52,9	17,7	58,4	74,5	21,7
Shuttle trade	43,0	2,5	-14,7	4,1	3,5	-14,8
	-65,4	-80,0	22,3		-105,5	25,3
Imports				-84,2		
Imports (cif)	-70,4	-85,1	20,8	-90,5	-112,2	24,0
Coverage adjustment	4,2	5,1		5,4	6,7	
Services	10,3	11,5		12,2	14,1	
Tourism (net)	10,7	12,5	16,0	13,0	15,1	16,3
Credit	12,6	14,6	15,2	15,4	17,8	16,0
Debit	-1,9	-2,1	11,0	-2,4	-2,7	14,4
Other services revenues (net)	-0,5	-0,9		-0,8	-1,0	
Income	-4,3	-4,4		-5,6	-5,8	
Direct investment income (net)	-0,6	-0,7		-0,7	-0,8	
Portfolio investment income (net)	-1,0	-0,7		-1,2	-0,9	
Other investment income (net)	-2,6	-3,0		-3,6	-4,0	
Interest income	0,5	0,7	42,3	0,6	0,9	42,3
Interest expenditure	-3,1	-3,6	17,7	-4,3	-4,9	14,5
Current transfers	0,9	1,1		1,1	1,3	
Workers remittances	0,6	0,6	-2,0	0,8	0,8	-2,9
Capital and financial account	10,4	12,1		11,4	15,0	
Financial account (excl. reserve assets)	11,9	20,6		11,0	22,9	
Direct investment (net)	1,5	3,0		2,0	3,4	
Abroad	-0,7	-0,8		-0,8	-1,0	
InTurkey	2,2	3,7		2,8	4,3	
Portfolio investment (net)	4,5	9,0		4,3	12,5	
Assets	-0,6	-1,4		-0,9	-2,2	
Liabilities	5,0	10,4		5,2	14,7	
Equity securities	0,7	4,7		1,0	5,4	
Debt securities	4,3	-,, 5,6		4,2	9,3	
Non-residents' buyings in Turkey	4,5 3,4	3,7		4,2	6,4	
Eurobond issues of Treasury		2,3			3,3	
,	1,0			0,3	3,3 6,8	
Borrowing	4,3	5,3		4,3		
Repayment	-3,3	-3,1		-4,0	-3,6	
Other investments (net)	5,9	8,7		4,8	7,0	
Assets	-3,7	-1,9		-6,0	-5,1	
Trade credits	-0,6	0,9		-1,0	-0,1	
Credits	0,7	0,1		0,8	0,0	
Banks FX assets (- increase)	-3,8	-2,9		-5,5	-5,0	
Liabilities	9,6	10,6		10,8	12,1	
Trade credits	3,5	2,7		4,5	3,4	
Credits	5,2	6,3		5,6	7,3	
Central Bank	-3,3	-2,6		-4,0	-3,7	
General Government	0,4	-3,6		0,2	-4,3	
IMF	1,0	-2,2		1,4	-2,3	
Long-term	-0,5	-1,3		-1,2	-2,0	
Banks	3,6	6,6		4,7	8,7	
Long-term	0,9	4,8		1,3	6,2	
Short-term	2,7	1,8		3,4	2,5	
Other sectors	4,4	5,8		4,8	6,5	
Long-term	4,0	5,0		4,3	5,8	
Short-term	0,5	0,8		0,5	0,7	
Deposits of non-residents	1,0	1,6		0,6	1,2	
In CBT	-0,1	-0,6		0,0	-0,7	
In banks	1,1	2,1		0,6	1,9	
Change in official reserves (- increase)	-1,5	-8,6		0,3	-7,9	
Net errors and omissions	0,0	4,0		2,3	6,3	



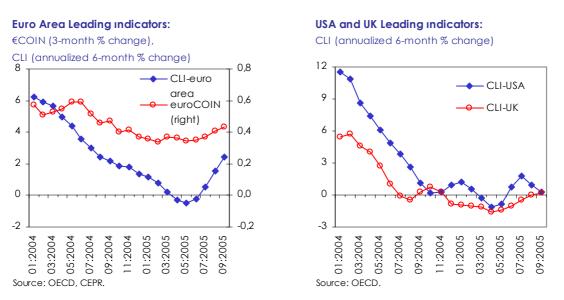
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I. EXTERNAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS

1. The world economy maintained its growth trend in 2005. Despite increasing commodity and oil prices due to high growth, strong inflationary pressures are not experienced in the world, in general.

2. The factors that may pose a risk to global growth in the rest of 2005 are assumed to be increases in oil prices and the prices of other goods and services subject to foreign trade. The secondary effects of oil prices that reached historical levels in the third quarter of the year (inflationary pressure generated by the upsurge in crude oil prices through production costs) and the likely pressure created by the rise in the prices of goods and services on global supply and demand are the factors that may impede growth.



3. The US economy maintained its strong growth performance in the third quarter of 2005, despite hurricanes and increasing oil prices. The US GDP, which increased by 3.6 percent in the second quarter of 2005 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, grew at the same rate in the third quarter. Meanwhile, for the sake of sustainable growth and price stability, the Federal Reserve has raised interest rates for the twelfth time since the turn of 2005, by 25 basis points at its meeting on the 1st of November, 2005.

4. Preliminary indicators point to a recovery in euro zone by the third quarter, which displayed a low rate of growth in the first half of the year. The euro area GDP, which increased by 1,3 percent and 1,1 percent in the first and second quarter of 2005, respectively, compared to the corresponding periods in 2004, grew by 1.5 percent in the third quarter of the year according to the preliminary estimates. In the mean time, especially high oil prices stand as the factor that may lead to a lower euro area growth rate than expected. In the United Kingdom, low-rated growth performance compared to 2004 is still persisting in the third quarter of 2005. The UK GDP increased by 1.6 percent in the first three quarters.

5. Japan displayed growth due to domestic demand, while the growth observed in China stemmed from both domestic demand and exports. Other Asian countries, which had pursued a sluggish course in general, have entered into a stage of recovery in recent months. Nevertheless, consumer prices in the region increased due to oil prices. As a reaction to this development, the central banks in the region raised their interest rates.

6. The growth trend in new EU countries pursued a favorable course, in general, in the first half of 2005. The GDP in Czech Republic and Hungary grew by 5.1 percent and 4 percent on annual basis, respectively, in the second quarter of the year.

II. CURRENT ACCOUNT

7. The current account balance yielded a deficit of USD 16.4 billion in the January-September 2005 period. Hence, the twelve-month current account deficit became USD 21.4 billion.

8. By the third quarter of 2005, during which the upward trend in current account deficit still persisted, deterioration was observed in the indicators relating to current account deficit and financing structure. When the twelve-month data are compared, it is seen that the ratio of exports to imports and short-term external debt stock has fallen in the third quarter compared to the end of 2004. Meanwhile, the indicators based on the Central Bank reserves are of great importance with respect to the sustainability of current account deficit. Despite the decline in the ratio of reserves to current account deficit, the ratio of reserves to the financing requirement consisting of the total of current account and net errors and omissions increased. The ratio of the reserves to short-term external debt stock, an indicator that reflects country's ability to repay external debt, remained unchanged compared to 2004.

Selected Indicators related to the Current Account Deficit and Financing Structure

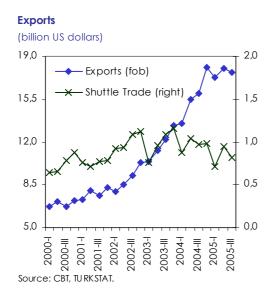
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005*
Exports / Imports	0,58	0,90	0,85	0,79	0,74	0,71
Exports / Short-Term External Debt	1,09	2,10	2,44	2,23	2,11	2,01
Exports / External Debt Service	1,40	1,40	1,39	1,84	2,20	2,13
Tourism Revenues / Trade Balance	0,35	2,17	1,16	0,94	0,66	0,57
CBT Reserves / Short-Term External Debt	0,82	1,21	1,71	1,53	1,18	1,18
CBT Reserves / Financing Requirement	1,84	-	20,46	11,71	2,83	2,89
CBT Reserves / Current Account Balance	2,36	-	18,42	4,38	2,41	2,04
CBT Reserves / Imports	0,44	0,52	0,59	0,54	0,41	0,41

Source: CBRT, TURKSTAT.

* 12-month data as of September.

Exports of Goods

9. According to the exports data issued by the TURKSTAT (Turkish Statistical Institute), exports increased by 17.7 percent in the first nine months of the year, compared to the same period of the previous year. However, revenues from shuttle trade fell by 14.7 percent during this period. Thus, growth in the total exports of goods became 15.7 percent. Meanwhile, price movements became a significant factor in the nominal growth figures of exports. According to data issued by the TURKSTAT, the exports unit value index rose by 7.3 percent in the first nine months of the year compared to the same period last year. Excluding price movements, the real increase in exports was stayed at 6.3 percent.

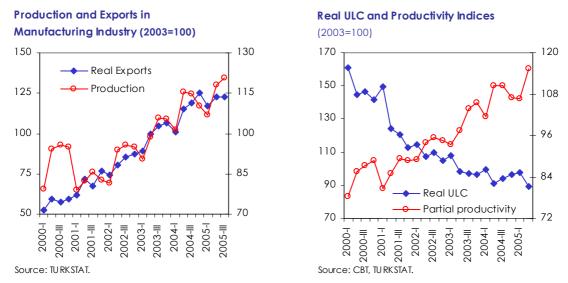








10. External competitive advantage resulting from the low levels of real labor costs compared to the 2000-2004 average and the productivity level, which is over the last 5 year-average, managed to offset the unfavorable impact of real exchange rate on competitiveness and became the determinant factors in the increase in exports.



11. Analyzing export developments by sub-items, it is observed that the largest contribution to the growth in exports came from exports of motor vehicles, refined petroleum and petroleum products, machinery/equipment and food products/beverages. Besides, exports of textile products and apparel, which have a large share in overall exports, continued to increase, albeit remaining below the overall export growth (see Box). All sectors mentioned above contributed by 10.1 points to the 17.7 percent export growth. In other words, USD 4.6 billion of the USD 8 billion increase in total export came from these sectors.

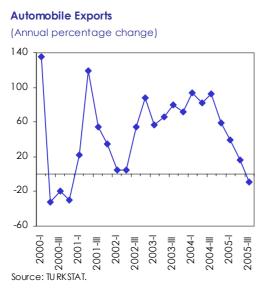
Exports (million US dollars)

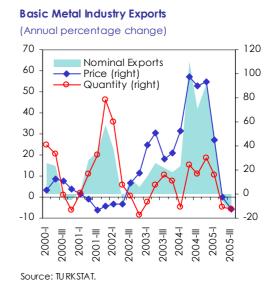
	January-September							
	2004	2005	% Change % (Contrib.	\$ Contrib.			
Total	44988	52937	17,7					
Capital Goods	4683	5822	24,3	2,5	1139,2			
Intermediate Goods	18596	21930	17,9	7,4	3333,7			
Consumption Goods	21592	24979	15,7	7,5	3386,6			
Other	117	207	77,1	0,2	90,3			
Selected Items (ISIC Rev.3):								
Agriculture and farming of animals	1621	2137	31,8	1,1	516			
Food products and beverages	2301	2966	28,9	1,5	666			
Textiles	5717	6290	10,0	1,3	573			
Wearing apparel	6971	7512	7,8	1,2	541			
Petroleum products and nuclear fuel	991	1790	80,6	1,8	799			
Chemicals and chemical products	1833	2073	13,1	0,5	240			
Rubber and plastic products	1402	1831	30,5	1,0	428			
Other non-metallic minerals	1703	2020	18,6	0,7	317			
Manufacture of basic metals	4828	5019	4,0	0,4	191			
Manufacof fabricated metal prod(exc machi	1579	1932	22,4	0,8	354			
Manufacture of machinery and equipment	2838	3460	21,9	1,4	622			
Electrical machinery and apparatus	1148	1416	23,3	0,6	267			
Communication and apparatus	1825	1994	9,3	0,4	170			
Motor vehicles and trailers	6217	7582	21,9	3,0	1365			
Other transport	1020	1098	7,6	0,2	77			

Source: TURKSTAT.

12. The high growth performance of automobile exports, which has been observed since 2003, has started to weaken in the third quarter of 2005. Automobile exports, which grew by 26.3 percent in the first half of 2004, declined by 9.2 percent in the third quarter of the year. As a result of the 25.5 percent increase in automobile imports during this period, the sector lost its net exporter position in this period that was regained in the second half of 2004.

13. The growth of manufacture of basic metal with its significant share in exports, slowed down in March and April compared to the previous months, displaying a downward trend since May. Regarding the increase in the imports of basic metal, it is observed that the revival in the domestic construction sector had an unfavorable effect on exports.





Exports – Unit Value Indices (2003=100)

	2004				2005			2005-III /	
	Ι	Ш	Ш	IV	I	II	Ш	2004-III (%)	
Total	113,6	115,5	115,6	120,7	125,4	123,4	120,9	4,6	
Capital Goods	109,2	107,8	110,0	114,3	115,3	112,3	109,5	-0,5	
Intermediate Goods	113,7	121,5	121,8	129,1	131,2	129,5	126,2	3,6	
Consumption Goods	114,7	112,5	112,4	116,9	123,7	121,2	119,8	6,6	
Selected Items (ISIC Rev.3):									
Agriculture and farming of animals	117	119	140	149	165	174	174	23,7	
Food products and beverages	111	116	123	124	130	130	133	8,1	
Textiles	113	110	107	112	119	115	111	4,1	
Wearing apparel	118	115	113	115	125	121	118	4,1	
Petroleum products and nuclear fuel	113	133	140	141	143	163	183	30,9	
Chemicals and chemical products	108	109	113	121	121	120	120	6,5	
Rubber and plastic products	108	106	107	114	120	117	113	5,8	
Other non-metallic minerals	108	108	111	114	117	119	123	10,6	
Manufacture of basic metals	125	157	152	162	160	157	143	-5,7	
Manufacof fabricated metal prod(exc machi	114	116	118	127	132	132	131	11,2	
Manufacture of machinery and equipment	111	109	109	115	118	115	114	3,9	
Electrical machinery and apparatus	115	115	114	119	124	127	126	10,5	
Communication and apparatus	108	100	95	96	93	85	75	-21,2	
Motor vehicles and trailers	110	107	110	116	117	113	111	1,3	

Source: TURKSTAT.

14. In 2005, export prices led to a nominal export growth beyond the real growth. The increase in prices was more apparent in some sectors. Petroleum products, agriculture and farming of animals, food and beverages, manufacture of fabricated metal products, electrical machinery and apparatus and mineral products were among these sectors.

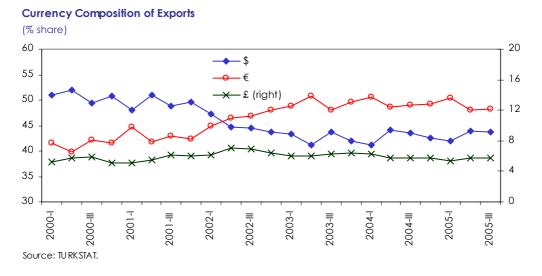
15. Exports to EU countries make up the largest share in total export. However, their shares slightly declined. On the other hand, the share of exports to Middle Eastern and Eastern European countries boosted by increasing 33.5 percent in the third quarter of the year, contributing to the 17.7 percent growth in exports by 7.6 points. Analyzing by country, the share of Germany in exports maintained its high level, while the increases in exports to Russia, Italy, and Netherlands are remarkable. The highest contribution to the increase in exports to Russia and Italy came from motor vehicles and food, while these sectors became electrical machinery and apparatus, and sailing ships and similar vehicles in exports to Netherlands.

Exports – Country Decomposition (million US dollars)

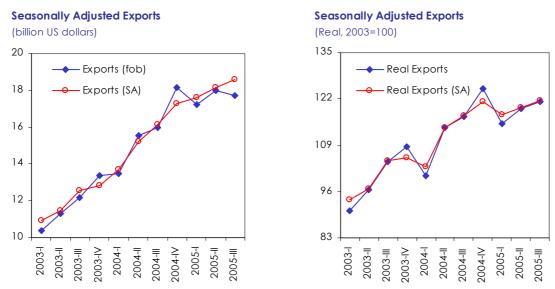
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	Value SI	nare (%)	Value S	Share (%)	/a chunge	78 COIIIID.	φ Commb.			
Total	44988		52937		17,7					
EU countries	24413	54,3	27512	52,0	12,7	6,9	3099			
EU 15	23101	51,3	25769	48,7	11,5	5,9	2668			
EU 10	1312	2,9	1743	3,3	32,8	1,0	430			
Other countries	18751	41,7	23258	43,9	24,0	10,0	4507			
Other European	4629	10,3	6212	11,7	34,2	3,5	1583			
East Asian	1866	4,1	2206	4,2	18,2	0,8	340			
Other	12256	27,2	14839	28,0	21,1	5,7	2583			
Free Zones in Turkey	1823	4,1	2168	4,1	18,9	0,8	344			
Selected countries and cour	ntry groups									
OECD	28.980	64,4	31.935	60,3	10,2	6,6	2955			
Germany	6.373	14,2	6.846	12,9	7,4	1,1	473			
UK	3.892	8,7	4.211	8,0	8,2	0,7	318			
USA	3.675	8,2	3.668	6,9	-0,2	0,0	-8			
Italy	3.203	7,1	3.893	7,4	21,5	1,5	690			
France	2.667	5,9	2.807	5,3	5,3	0,3	140			
Spain	1.841	4,1	2.144	4,0	16,5	0,7	303			
Netherlands	1.503	3,3	1.820	3,4	21,1	0,7	316			
Other OECD	5.824	12,9	6.547	12,4	12,4	1,6	723			
Middle East countries	5.583	12,4	7.424	14,0	33,0	4,1	1841			
Russian Fed.	1.304	2,9	1.693	3,2	29,8	0,9	388			

Source: TURKSTAT.

16. There was not a notable change in the share of euro, which declined in the second quarter of the year, and in the share of USD that expanded in the said period. Similarly, no remarkable movement was observed in the share of Sterling.



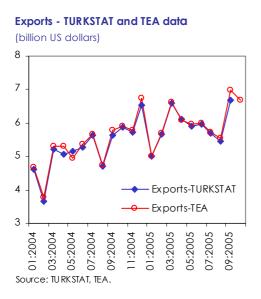
17. According to seasonally adjusted data, US dollar-denominated exports grew by 2.4 percent in the third quarter of 2005 compared to the previous quarter. Meanwhile, seasonally adjusted real exports based on the quantity index rose by 1.8 percent in this period.



Note: Seasonally adjusted data are calculated by using Tramo-Seats methodology.

18. Data released by the Turkish Exporters' Assembly (TEA) indicate that growth in exports continued in October. Accordingly, exports increased by 13.1 percent in October compared to October 2004 and by 16.8 percent in the January-October period.

19. Indicators of exports for the next period in the Business Tendency Survey for October do not signal an increase in export growth in the next quarter.

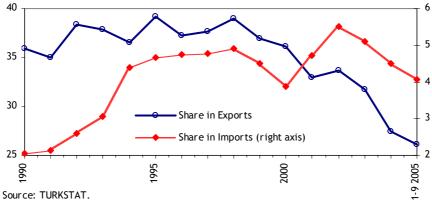




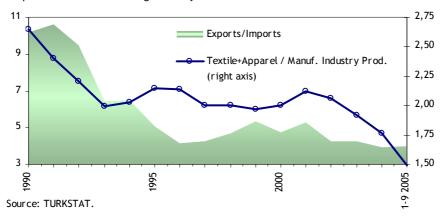
TEXTILE AND APPAREL SECTORS' EXPORTS

Textile and apparel sectors, traditionally the driving sectors of exports, have been displaying a tendency of slowdown in recent years and thus losing their leading position in exports. As a matter of fact, the share of textile and apparel exports in total exports declined from 39 percent in 1998 to 26.1 percent as of the January-September period of 2005. Meanwhile, textile and apparel imports, despite having a small share in total imports, recorded a better performance compared to exports (Graph 1). Hence, the ratio of exports to imports retreated in textile and apparel sectors since 1990s. This development was reflected in the production of the sectors, as well (Graph 2). As of the January-September period of 2005, while total exports increased by 17.7 percent, the rates of growth in the textiles sector and apparel sector exports remained at 10 percent and 7.8 percent, respectively. The effects of exports and production compositions developing against textiles and apparel were observed in the labor market, as well. Actually, overall employment in the sectors of machinery/equipment, basic metal and motor vehicles increased by 12.4 percent from 1997 till mid-2005, while overall employment in textiles and clothing sectors fell by 23 percent in this period. As a result, employment in the manufacturing industry production retreated by 15.4 percent during the same period (Graph 3).¹

Graph.1. Textile and Apparel Sectors' Share in Exports and Imports (%)

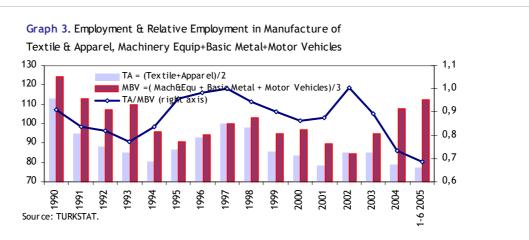


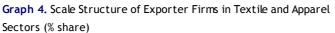
Graph.2. Textile and Apparel Sectors Exports/Imports Ratio and Proportion to Manufacturing Industry Production

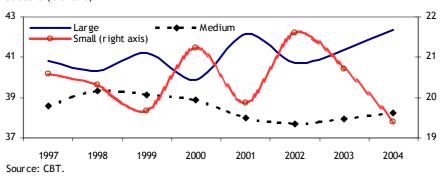


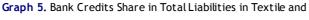
The analysis made at the firm level, by using data from 822 firms operating in the textiles and apparel sectors demonstrated that the 2001 crisis affected large and small-size firms exporting textiles and apparel differently. Following the crisis, the share of large-scale firms in the sectors' exports rose in 2002, compared to the previous year, while the share of small-scale firms fell. This manifests that the adverse effects of the crisis were felt more in case of small firms. The recovery in the following years was more rapid for the large firms compared to that of small ones (Graph 4). Besides, analyzing the ratio of bank credits used by these firms to their total debt reveals that small-size firms suffered the adverse influence of the crisis more, and this influence has been persisting as of 2004 (Graph 5).

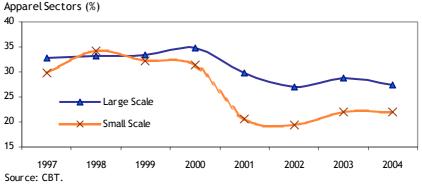
¹ Manufacturing Industry Employment Index (with base 1997=100) issued by TURKSTAT was used.







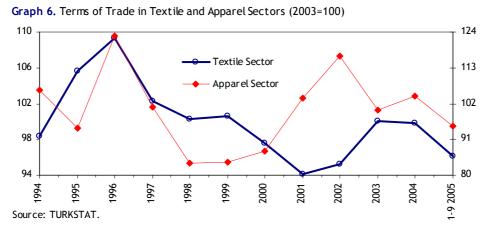




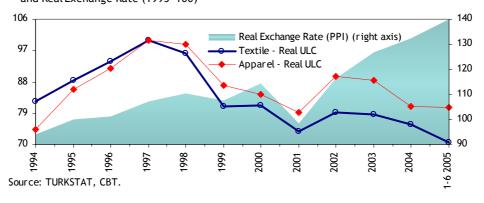
These developments point to a behavior change for sector producers whom, while meeting domestic demand, edged towards obtaining part of the supply from abroad to enjoy the cost advantage. When the factors underlying the weakening performance of the textile and apparel sector are analyzed, it is seen that though the course of real wages was in favor of the sectors, the course of the terms of trade - especially in the 1990s - and that of real exchange rates thereafter adversely affected the sectors' exports (Graphs 6 and 7).

The Research and Monetary Policy Department of the CBRT conducted a study where they analyzed - by the help of stochastic production function, through using firm level data - the performance of textile and apparel sectors the production of which is directed towards exports. In the study, the components of the change in production were differentiated as technological progress, increase in technological efficiency and increase in input, and the sources of the production increase of those firms with high export shares in the 2002-2004 period were predicted. In the 2002-2004 period, production increase was observed for firms with high exports performance in both sectors. This increase was identified to be even higher in the case of textile firms. Technological efficiency of the firms in question played a crucial role in determining the change in the amount of production. It was also estimated that there was a decline in the level of technology of these firms with high exports performance, where the decline was statistically significant in the relatively more labor-intensive apparel sector while it was statistically insignificant in case of the textiles sector.

The most important finding of the study is that, in the period after the 2001 crisis, input increase came to the forefront as the main source of production increase in the textiles and apparel sectors. It was observed that the slowdown in the production increase in the textiles and apparel sectors was due to the deterioration in the total factor productivity growth. Also observed was, though at modest rates, the increase in production was linked to investments bringing in additional capacity. These findings of the study match with Türkan's (2005), who introduced the results that investments of the post-crisis period came at a time when Asian countries increased their exports in the sector, and thus idle capacity occurred, while efficiency did not increase as much as expected.²

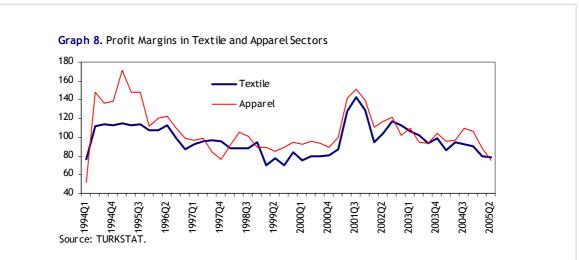


Graph 7. Real ULC in Textile and Apparel Sectors (1997=100) and Real Exchange Rate (1995=100)



Taking into account the appreciation tendency of the Turkish lira and the level that the terms of trade reached, geographical distance, besides the decline in real unit wages, is believed to be a significant factor in the ongoing positive growth of the apparel and textile sector. As a matter of fact, textiles and apparel exports of Turkey to the EU and the USA - Turkey's most important export markets in these sectors - manifested different outlooks in 2005. When we analyze the data available for the first eight months of 2005 compared to that of 2004, Turkey's apparel and textile exports to the EU increased by 7.8 percent whereas apparel and textile exports to the USA fell by 11 percent. This - dealt together with the lifting of quotas on the Chinese textile and apparel products, as of early 2005 demonstrates that geographic location is one of the important determinants of Turkish textiles and apparel exports. Profit margin is another factor to be monitored, in explaining the ongoing growth tendency of exports, although slower. Exports profit margin index, calculated through the division of export prices of the sectors by nominal unit wage indices displayed a downward tendency in both the textiles and the apparel sectors in 2002 and onwards, and fell below its pre-crisis level in the apparel sector. From this point of view, we reach the conclusion that, in the said sectors in the post-2001 crisis period, exporters sacrificed their profit margins to be able to maintain the current export increase (Graph 8).

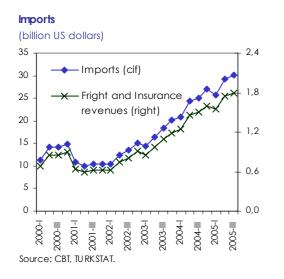
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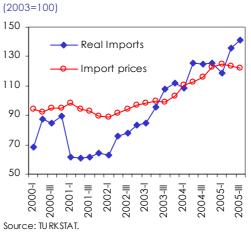
In light of this information set, it is seen that the lifting of quotas on the textile and apparel trade in early 2005 by the World Trade Organization did not have an effect on Turkey's textile and apparel sector as adverse as anticipated. What needs to be emphasized here is that the adverse effect of the competitive pressure in the textile and apparel sectors originating from the Asian countries such as China and India started long before the lifting of quotas, and manifested itself in the loss of performance in the sector exports in recent years. Hence, 2005 is not a special year. It is obvious that the difficulty of competing with China and India is an important problem for the textile and apparel sectors, along with the real appreciation tendency of the Turkish lira. Taking into account Chinese reserves in cheap labor, it is obvious that it is not possible to compete, especially with China's low labor costs in the long run in labor-intensive sectors as the apparel sector, even if Turkish lira depreciates. Rather than competing with China over the same products, pursuing product differentiation in different categories and concentrating on high-quality, high value added products are believed to be better solutions for the future of the sectors.

Imports of Goods

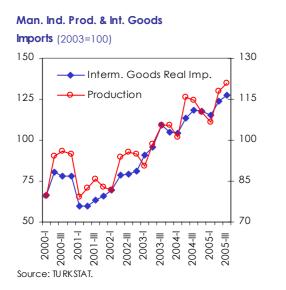
20. Imports, as announced by the TURKSTAT (including freight and insurance cost), increased by 20.8 percent in the January-September period 2005 compared to the same period of the previous year. Adding the "other goods" item relating to financial leasing, freight and insurance, the rate of growth in total imports of goods amounts to 22.3 percent. Meanwhile, price movements were highly influential in the nominal growth of imports. In fact, according to foreign trade index data released by the TURKSTAT, the imports unit value index rose by 9.3 percent in the first nine months of the year compared to the same period of the previous year. Excluding price movements, the real increase in imports was 9.6 percent.



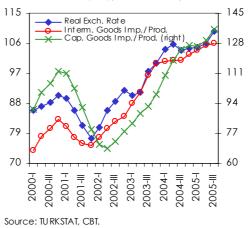




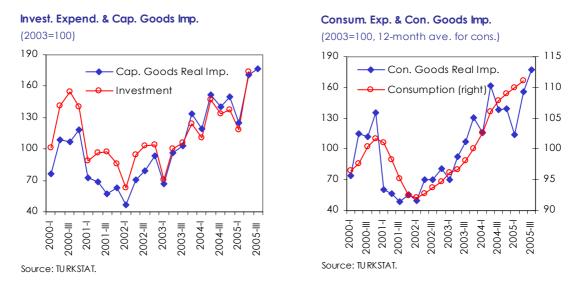
21. In the January-September period, yearly growth rates in industrial and manufacturing industry production were 4.8 and 4.3 percent, respectively. Seasonally adjusted industrial and manufacturing industry production rose by 2.6 and 3.1 percent, respectively, in September compared to August. The rise in industrial production and the appreciation of TL became the determinant factors in the increase in the intermediate goods imports.



Interm. & Cap. Imp./Manuf. Ind. P. Ratio and REER (PPI)(12-month, ave.)

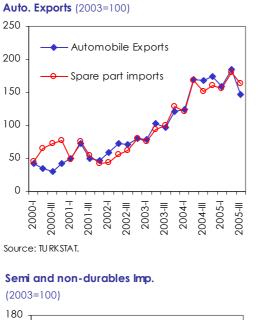


22. The rise in imports of investment and consumption goods in the third quarter of the year points to an increase in investment expenditures as well in this period.



23. Analyzing by quantity indices, the high-rated decline in imports of automobiles was replaced by recovery in August and September. Imports of automobiles that rose by 221.9 percent in the first half of 2004 and 15.6 percent in the second half 2004, fell by 33.1 percent in the first half of 2005, but went up by 32.7 percent in the third quarter of 2005. Imports of durable and non-durable goods that increased by 52.9 and 26 percent, respectively, in the first nine months of 2004, rose by 18.9 and 15.2 percent in the same period of 2005.

24. Analyzing by consumption tendencies, consumer confidence indices compiled by the CBRT with TURKSTAT and the CNBCe have been following a downward trend since the start of the year. Nevertheless, the consumer confidence index (CNBCe) rose by 7.2 percent in October compared to the previous year and neared its level of June, following a decline in the third quarter of the year. Similarly, CBRT and TURKSTAT consumer confidence index increased by 2.7 percent in this period. This development is remarkable, since it implies that the increase in the imports of consumption goods that has accelerated in the third quarter of the year may continue.



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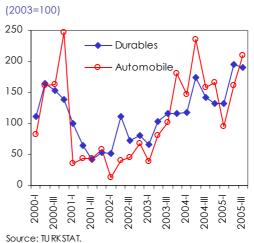
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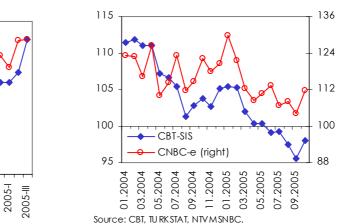
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Spare part imp. of trans. vehicles &

Durables & Automobile Imports







25. Imports of mining and quarrying sector (including crude oil), basic metal industry product and chemical materials/products constituted the largest contribution in the growth of imports. The revival in domestic construction sector became influential in the imports of basic metal industry. Besides. The increases in the world metal prices led to nominal increases in the imports of the sector. Imports of the basic metal industry increased by 33.9 percent in the first nine months of 2005 compared to the same period of 2004, while import prices and real imports grew by 12.7 percent and 18.1 percent, respectively, in the sector.

26. Imports of motor vehicles and spare parts, which was one of the most important items in the 2004 imports, displayed a diverse tendency in the first half of 2005. Imports of automobiles declined by 29.9 percent, whereas imports of transportation vehicles' spare parts increased by 20.6 percent. This increase presents a parallel outlook to the growth rate in the exports of the sector. Nevertheless, the decline in imports of transportation vehicles' spare parts in the third quarter along with the fall in automobile exports is notable, while imports of automobiles rose by 25.5 percent.

27. Imports of gold, which has recorded high rates of growth since 2002, also maintained its upward trend in the first nine months of 2005. Imports of gold increased by 19.3 percent in the first nine months of the year. Especially the depreciation trend of the US dollar since 2002 led to an increase in gold prices as well as the demand for gold.

Imports (million US dollars)

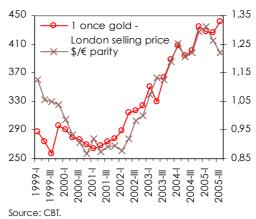
	January-September						
	2004	2005	% Change %	6 Contr.	\$ Contr.		
Total	70410	85078	20,8				
Capital Goods	12510	14458	15,6	2,8	1948,1		
Intermediate Goods	48608	60356	24,2	16,7	11747,4		
Consumption Goods	8942	9845	10,1	1,3	903,3		
Other	350	420	19,9	0,1	69,6		
Selected Items (ISIC Rev.3):							
Mining and Quarrying	7764	11339	46,0	5,1	3574,7		
Crude oil	4416	6312	43,0	2,7	1896 <i>,</i> 8		
Natural gas	2245	3531	57,3	1,8	1285,9		
Textiles	2780	2954	6,3	0,2	174,5		
Paper and paper products	1244	1485	19,4	0,3	240,7		
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	2475	3850	55,5	2,0	1374,4		
Chemicals and chemical products	10982	13123	19,5	3,0	2141,3		
Rubber and plastic products	1429	1585	10,9	0,2	155,9		
Manufacture of basic metals	7851	10515	33,9	3,8	2664,2		
Manufacof fabricated metal prod(exc machi	1098	1446	31,8	0,5	348,6		
Manufacture of machinery and equipment	7485	8877	18,6	2,0	1392,8		
Electrical machinery and apparatus	2233	2939	31,6	1,0	706,4		
Communication and apparatus	3284	3265	-0,6	0,0	-18,5		
Medical, precision and opt. instr., watches	1430	1879	31,4	0,6	449,1		
Motor vehicles and trailers	8626	8586	-0,5	-0,1	-39,3		
Other transport	1611	1552	-3,6	-0,1	-58,8		
Waste and scrap (Wholesale and retail)	2474	2606	5,3	0,2	131,7		

Source: TURKSTAT.

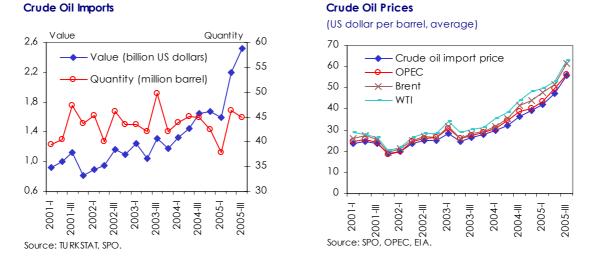


USD/EUR Parity and

Gold Prices (monthly ave., US dollars)



28. Similar to 2004, crude oil prices followed an upward trend in the first three quarters of 2005. Increased demand for oil due to high course of global growth rates and inadequate oil supply especially in non-OECD countries led to an increase in crude oil prices. Moreover, further pressure has been placed on crude oil prices by the investors' tendency towards the oil markets for protection purposes because of their expectations for likely increases in oil prices. On the other hand, crude oil prices receded in October and December.



29. Despite the fact that the volume of crude oil imports declined by 3.5 percent in the first three quarters of the year compared to the same period of the previous year, the imports receipt increased by 43 percent. In this context, the additional burden imposed by the 48.2 percent increase in the crude oil price per barrel on crude oil imports was realized as around USD 2 billion by this period.

30. Prices of goods other than basic metals and crude oil also increased in general. On the other hand, import prices of food products as well as radio, TV, communication devices, electrical machinery and equipment substantially decreased.

	2004 2005				2005-11 /			
	Ι	II		IV	I	II		2004-III (%)
- Total	110,8	112,3	115,9	122,8	124,6	123,4	122,4	5,6
Capital Goods	106,7	106,2	109,5	114,2	110,9	107,6	103,2	-5,8
Intermediate Goods	112,9	115,9	119,8	127,9	130,8	131,7	131,6	9,9
Consumption Goods	111,1	107,8	111,6	115,1	117,9	112,1	107,9	-3,3
Selected Items (ISIC Rev.3):								
Food products and beverages	111	123	112	103	106	108	103	-8,0
Textiles	108	111	109	114	115	118	110	1,1
Paper and paper products	106	107	111	115	117	115	112	0,5
Coke, petroleum products and nuclear fuel	118	121	138	160	153	166	185	34,5
Chemicals and chemical products	109	108	112	120	124	117	113	1,0
Rubber and plastic products	109	100	110	116	122	117	117	6,5
Manufacture of basic metals	120	129	131	146	148	147	135	2,4
Manufacof fabricated metal prod(exc machi	115	107	106	112	123	122	118	11,5
Manufacture of machinery and equipment	104	103	106	115	111	110	106	-0,5
Electrical machinery and apparatus	104	102	104	105	100	96	95	-8,8
Communication and apparatus	103	106	108	111	112	104	95	-12,4
Medical, precision and opt. instr., watches	113	101	103	105	108	102	102	-1,4
Motor vehicles and trailers	107	105	108	113	113	107	104	-2,9
Waste and scrap (Wholesale and retail)	153	168	155	177	176	169	149	-3,4

Imports – Unit Value Indices (million US dollars)

Source: TURKSTAT.

31. Growth in imports from the European Union (EU) remained below the total growth in imports, reducing its share in total imports. On the other hand, non-member European countries and Asian countries made the greatest contribution to growth in imports. In terms of individual countries, while the large share of Germany continued, imports from Russia, China, South Korea and Switzerland as well as Iran and Saudi Arabia recorded high-rated increases.

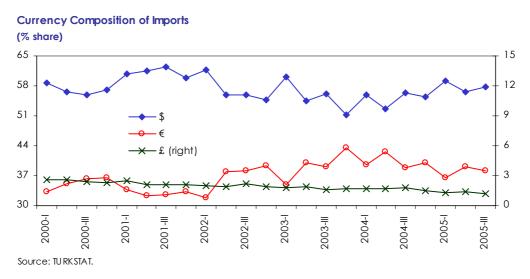
Imports – Country Decomposition

(million US dollars)

		January-September								
	200	4	200)5	% Change	% Contrib.	\$ Contrib.			
	Value Sh	nare (%)	Value S	hare (%)	% chunge	∕₀ Coninb.	ş сонны.			
Total	70410		85078		20,8					
EU countries	33194	47,1	35877	42,2	8,1	3,8	2682			
EU 15	31035	44,1	33183	39,0	6,9	3,1	2148			
EU 10	2159	3,1	2694	3,2	24,8	0,8	534			
Other countries	36612	52,0	48650	57,2	32,9	17,1	12038			
Other European	12988	18,4	17626	20,7	35,7	6,6	4637			
East Asian	11036	15,7	14696	17,3	33,2	5,2	3660			
Other	12587	17,9	16328	19,2	29,7	5,3	3741			
Free Zones in Turkey	604	0,9	551	0,6	-8,7	-0,1	-53			
Selected countries and cour	ntry groups									
OECD	43.746	62,1	48.769	57,3	11,5	7,1	5023			
Germany	9.078	12,9	9.917	11,7	9,2	1,2	838			
Italy	4.973	7,1	5.526	6,5	11,1	0,8	552			
France	4.685	6,7	4.342	5,1	-7,3	-0,5	-343			
USA	3.631	5,2	4.099	4,8	12,9	0,7	467			
İngiltere	3.144	4,5	3.457	4,1	9,9	0,4	313			
Switzerland	2.537	3,6	3.380	4,0	33,2	1,2	843			
Spain	2.371	3,4	2.562	3,0	8,1	0,3	191			
Japan	1.948	2,8	2.270	2,7	16,6	0,5	323			
Korea	1.844	2,6	2.579	3,0	39,8	1,0	735			
Other OECD	9.534	13,5	10.638	12,5	11,6	1,6	1104			
Middle East countries	3.995	5,7	5.844	6,9	46,3	2,6	1849			
Russian Fed.	6.278	8,9	9.079	10,7	44,6	4,0	2802			
China	3.139	4,5	4.791	5,6	52,6	2,3	1651			
Ukraine	1.733	2,5	2.029	2,4	17,1	0,4	296			

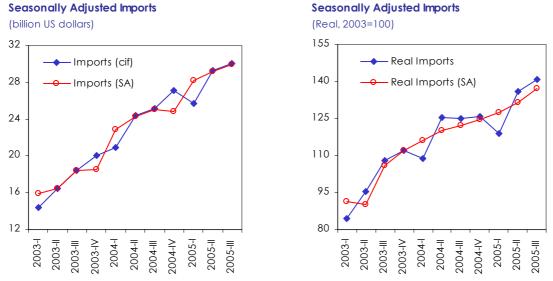
Source: TURKSTAT.

32. It was observed that the share of the US dollar imports, which fell in the 2002-2003 period, re-entered upward trend since 2004. On the other hand, the share of euro imports has been declining. Meanwhile, the share of Sterling continues to steadily decrease.



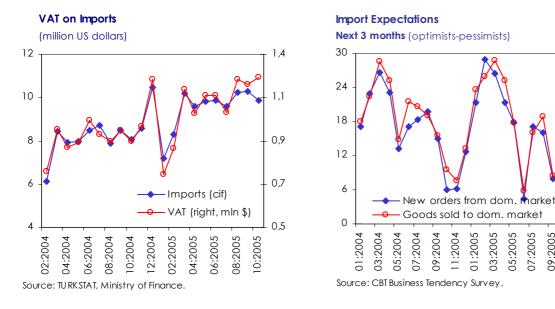
33. According to the seasonally adjusted data, nominal imports in terms of USD increased by 2.7 percent in the third quarter of the year compared to the previous quarter. Meanwhile, real imports based on the quantity index rose by 4.3 percent in this period.

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Note: Seasonally adjusted data are calculated by using Tramo-Seats methodology.

In the Business Tendency Survey, indicators relating to the imports for the coming 34. period maintained their level of September in October.



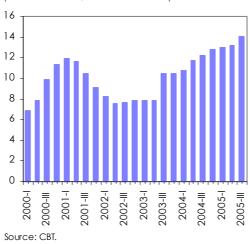
Services

35. The tendency to increase, which has prevailed in the services balance for the last two years, continues as of 2005. Within this framework, the services balance increased by 12.4 percent in the first nine months of the year compared to the same period of the previous year due to a significant upsurge in tourism revenues and became USD 11.5 billion. Hence, the twelve-month services balance yielded a surplus of USD 14.1 billion.

36. Based on the figures released by the TURKSTAT, tourism revenues rose by 15.2 percent in the January-September period. In this period, the number of departing tourists increased by 20.1 percent. Despite the increase in the number of tourists, average propensity to spend declined. In the first nine months of 2005, average spending per tourist fell by 4.9 percent compared to the same period of the previous year and realized as USD 817.

Services

(12-month ave., billions US dollars)



Services

Services	
(million US	dollars)

	2004-I	2004-II	2004-III	2004-IV	2005-I	2005-II	2005-III
Services	948	2578	6741	2519	1195	2750	7591
Total income	3229	5208	9808	5783	4061	5901	11209
Total Expenses	-2281	-2630	-3067	-3264	-2866	-3151	-3618
Transportation	-233	-270	-331	-230	-325	-364	-310
Credit	593	722	993	959	840	951	1031
Debit	-826	-992	-1324	-1189	-1165	-1315	-1341
Tourizm	1158	2650	6927	2629	1316	3082	8054
Credit	1713	3270	7662	3243	1995	3760	8817
Debit	-555	-620	-735	-614	-679	-678	-763
Construction serv.	139	183	197	205	162	216	256
Credit	139	183	197	205	162	216	256
Debit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financial serv.	-26	-22	-14	-27	-8	-22	-23
Credit	73	64	70	81	82	88	89
Debit	-99	-86	-84	-108	-90	-110	-112
Other serv.	-90	37	-38	-58	50	-162	-386
Credit	711	969	886	1295	982	886	1016
Debit	-801	-932	-924	-1353	-932	-1048	-1402

Source: CBT.

Tourism Statistics

	2004-I	2004-II	2004-111	2004-IV	2005-I	2005-II	2005-111
Tourism Revenues (million US dollars)	1713	3270	7662	3243	1995	3760	8817
Departing foreigner visitors (x1000)	1867	4324	7186	3826	2376	5340	8452
Departing citizen visitors (x1000)	431	423	1600	606	480	546	1826
Tourism Expenditures (million US dollars)	-555	-620	-735	-614	-679	-678	-763
Arriving citizen visitors (x1000)	829	1071	1022	1071	889	1159	1045

Source: TURKSTAT, CBT.

37. Based on the October data released by the TURKSTAT, the high-rated increase in the number of tourists visiting Turkey that has prevailed since the beginning of 2005 continues. According to TURKSTAT data, the number of departing tourists in the said month increased by 16.2 percent compared to the same month of the previous year.

38. In the January-September period of 2005, there has been deterioration in services items out of tourism. During this period, services revenues excluding tourism revenues increased by 17.8 percent annually, while services expenditures excluding tourism expenditures rose by 23.8 percent.

<u>Income</u>

39. The main determinant of the deficit of USD 4.4 billion in the investment income account in the first nine months of 2005 was interest expenditures. The increase in interest expenditures of the private sector excluding the banking sector stood as the basic factor in the change in total interest expenditures.

Income (million US dollars)

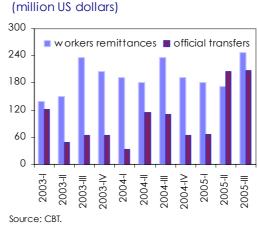
	2004-I	2004-II	2004-III	2004-IV	2005-I	2005-II	2005-III
Income (net)	-1515	-1404	-1332	-1385	-1401	-1643	-1335
Total income	768	511	654	718	1084	742	1046
Total Expenses	-2283	-1915	-1986	-2103	-2485	-2385	-2381
Direct investment	-89	-403	-141	-163	-101	-456	-114
Credit	141	15	16	72	83	123	43
Debit	-230	-418	-157	-235	-184	-579	-157
Portfolio investment	-640	-171	-189	-195	-405	-143	-198
Credit	473	335	471	431	814	436	687
Debit	-1113	-506	-660	-626	-1219	-579	-885
Other investment	-786	-830	-1002	-1027	-895	-1044	-1023
Interest income	154	161	167	215	187	183	316
interest expenses	-940	-991	-1169	-1242	-1082	-1227	-1339
Long-term	-863	-911	-1040	-1132	-973	-1099	-1173
Monetary A.	-277	-182	-382	-257	-262	-201	-394
Gen. Gov.	-323	-436	-347	-503	-372	-510	-374
Banks	-25	-14	-26	-38	-42	-40	-77
Other sector	-238	-279	-285	-334	-297	-348	-328
Short-term	-77	-80	-129	-110	-109	-128	-166

Source: CBT.

40. Portfolio revenues increased by 51.4 in the first nine months of 2005 and realized as USD 1.9 billion. Moreover, portfolio expenditures rose by 17.7 percent in the same period and became USD 2.7 billion. Hence, net portfolio revenues resulted in deficit in this period.

Current Transfers

41. The current transfers item composed of workers' remittances and official transfers yielded a surplus of USD 1.1 billion in the January-September 2005.



Current Transfers

III. CAPITAL MOVEMENTS

42. In the third quarter of 2005, the external financing requirement, defined as the sum of the current account item and net errors and omissions, became USD 2.9 billion. Despite the fact that net errors and omissions were realized as a credit item of USD 0.2 billion, the widening of the current account deficit compared to the same period of the previous year increased the financing requirement. Analyzing the financing structure, long-term resource utilization, which remained limited in the first quarter of the year, increased substantially since the second quarter. Moreover, disbursement of short-term loans has maintained its inflow trend in the second and third quarters as well. The financing requirement was mainly met by portfolio investments as well as long-term credits and trade credits used by the private sector and banks. Besides, there was a significant upsurge in direct investments.

43. Due to these developments, CBRT reserves, which increased by USD 6.7 billion in the first half of 2005, rose by USD 1.9 billion and reached USD 43.5 billion by the end of September. Meanwhile, the FX assets of banks, which fell by USD 3.6 billion in the first quarter of 2005, increased by total USD 6.4 billion in the second and third quarters of the year.

	2003	2004		200)4	2005			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Ql	Q2	Q3
1. Current Account	-8,0	-15,6	-5,4	-4,5	-0,7	-5,0	-6,2	-7,1	-3,0
2. Net Errors and Omissions	5,0	2,3	-1,0	2,3	-1,3	2,3	0,7	3,1	0,2
I. Total Financing Requirement (=1+2)	-3,0	-13,3	-6,4	-2,2	-1,9	-2,7	-5,5	-4,0	-2,9
II. Total Financing (=1+2+3)	3,0	13,3	6,4	2,2	1,9	2,7	5,5	4,0	2,9
1. Capital Flows (net)	6,4	23,6	6,3	5,2	6,7	5,4	6,2	11,8	10,5
Direct Investment (net)	1,2	1,9	0,5	0,5	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,1	2,3
Portfolio Investment (net)	2,5	8,0	2,8	1,2	0,4	3,6	3,9	3,1	2,0
General Gov. Eurobond Issues	1,5	2,0	0,0	0,8	0,2	1,0	1,8	0,2	0,3
Nonresidents' Security Buyings in Turkey	2,5	7,5	2,7	0,3	1,1	3,4	3,6	2,8	2,1
Residents' Security Buyings Abroad	-1,4	-1,4	0,1	0,2	-0,9	-0,8	-1,1	0,1	-0,4
Credit Drawing (excl. IMF loan, net)	2,9	13,9	2,7	3,6	4,6	2,9	1,4	7,5	4,9
General Governmekt	-2,2	-1,2	-0,5	-0,3	0,3	-0,6	-0,4	-0,6	-0,3
Banks	2,0	5,7	0,7	1,3	1,7	2,1	0,6	4,0	2,0
Long-term	0,0	2,4	0,0	0,6	0,3	1,4	-0,2	3,9	1,1
Short-term	2,0	3,3	0,6	0,7	1,4	0,7	0,8	0,1	0,9
Other Sector	3,1	9,3	2,5	2,7	2,7	1,4	1,2	4,1	3,3
Long-term	0,7	4,8	1,5	1,5	1,0	0,8	0,6	2,4	2,0
Short-term	0,3	0,3	0,1	0,1	0,3	-0,1	-0,1	0,3	0,6
Trade Credits	2,2	4,2	1,0	1,1	1,4	0,7	0,7	1,3	0,7
Deposits	1,4	0,6	0,3	0,6	0,1	-0,3	-0,1	0,7	1,0
in Central Bank	0,5	-0,2	0,0	-0,1	0,0	-0,1	-0,1	-0,2	-0,3
in banks	0,9	0,9	0,3	0,7	0,1	-0,2	0,0	0,9	1,3
Other	-1,6	-0,8	0,1	-0,8	1,0	-1,1	0,6	0,5	0,2
2. IMF Loans	-0,1	-3,5	-1,2	-0,6	-0,5	-1,2	-1,0	-1,5	-2,3
Central Bank	-1,5	-4,4	-1,1	-1,1	-1,1	-1,1	-1,0	-0,9	-0,6
General Government	1,4	0,9	-0,1	0,4	0,6	-0,1	0,0	-0,6	-1,7
3. Change in Reserves (- increase)	-3,3	-6,8	1,3	-2,3	-4,3	-1,5	0,3	-6,3	-5,4
Banks' FX assets	0,7	-6,0	1,1	-1,2	-3,6	-2,2	3,6	-2,9	-3,5
official Reserves	-4,0	-0,8	0,2	-1,1	-0,6	0,6	-3,3	-3,4	-1,9

External Financing Requirements and Sources (billion US dollars)

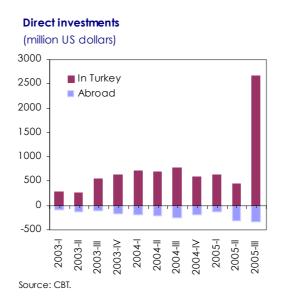
Source: CBT.

Direct Investments

44. In the first nine months of 2005, net direct investments doubled compared to the same period of the previous year and reached USD 3 billion. The said hike mainly stemmed from direct investments in Turkey.

45. Analyzing inward direct investments, direct capital investments tripled in the first nine months of 2005 compared to the same period of the previous year and realized as USD 3 billion. The upsurge in direct investments manifested itself especially in the third quarter of the year. The main source of this inflow was the inflow amounting to nearly 830 million euro in July originating from the sale of 89.4 percent of Disbank's shares to Fortis Bank. Meanwhile, non-residents' real estate purchases increased by 12.6 percent. 91.8 percent of direct capital investments realized in Turkey in the first nine months of 2005 came from OECD countries. 14 percent and 85.1 percent of these investments were made in the manufacturing industry sector and services sector, respectively. Foreign-capital companies that used long-term credits from their affiliates abroad, which are recorded under other capital item and are considered direct investment, became net repayers of USD 227 million in the first nine months of 2005, while they were net borrowers of USD 328 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

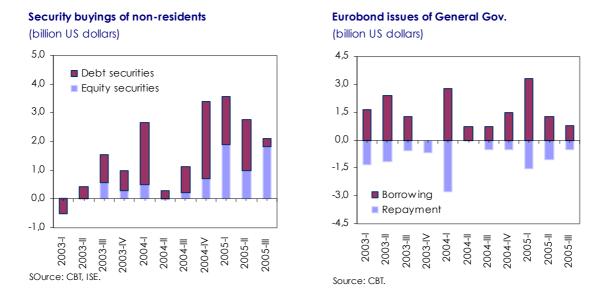
46. In the first nine months of the 2005, residents' direct investments abroad were realized as net USD 0.8 billion. 55.4 percent of these investments were made in OECD countries, while 42.9 percent in Middle Eastern countries. Moreover, 89.9 percent of these investments were made in the manufacturing industry and the remaining 9.7 percent in the services sector.



Portfolio Investments

47. While domestic securities purchases of non-residents, which had accelerated due to the receiving of negotiation date from EU, declined in March and August, it displayed a purchase-oriented trend in other months. Hence, non-residents' purchases of equities and government securities in ISE were realized as net USD 4.7 billion and net USD 3.7 billion, respectively, in the January-September 2005. Besides, the Treasury borrowed USD 5.3 billion via bond issues and made a repayment of USD 3.1 billion during this period. Meanwhile, the external portfolio investments of residents became net USD 1.4 billion. Accordingly, a portfolio-origin inflow of net USD 9 billion was realized in the January-September period.

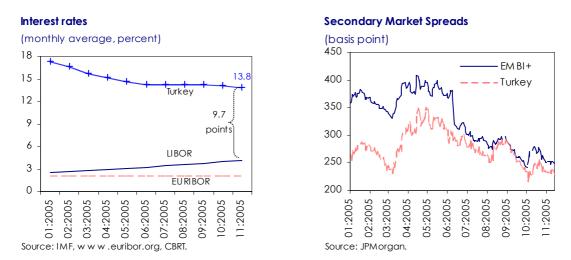
48. As a result of the positive outlook of the Turkish economy, the Treasury had the opportunity to borrow from foreign markets at low costs and issued bonds amounting to USD 5.8 billion in 2004. Due to the continuation of the favorable outlook in 2005, the Treasury issued bonds worth USD 5.3 billion by September. There was not any bond issue abroad by the Treasury in August and September.



49. Under the assumption that fiscal discipline is maintained, structural reforms do not lose pace and the economy is not exposed to a large-scale external shock, it is predicted that the inflation target for 2005 will not be exceeded. Therefore, the Central Bank continued to cut short-term interest rates applicable in the Interbank Money market and the ISE Repo/Reverse Repo Market in 2005. Overnight borrowing and lending interest rates, which were lastly cut by 0.25 point each on November 9, 2005, were set as 13.75 percent and 17.75 percent, respectively.

50. The Federal Reserve raised its intended interest rates on November 1, 2005 for the seventh time in 2005 and announced as 4 percent. While the European Central Bank has not changed its interest rates since the beginning of 2005, the Bank of England cut its lending interest rate by 0.25 point on August 4, 2005.

51. The ongoing inflow-oriented trend in portfolio investments, despite the reduced yield differences when compared to the developing countries and declining interest rates, indicates that besides interest difference, continuing economic stability as a result of structural reforms and favorable outlook have significant effects on these investments.

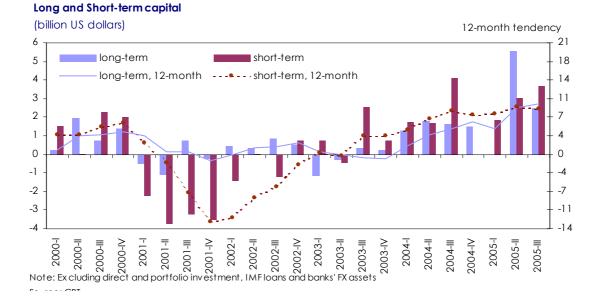


Other Investments

52. In the first nine months of the year, there was a capital inflow of net USD 9 billion, recorded under the other investments item. The main source of this inflow was the net USD 9.8 billion of long-term foreign credits drew by the private sector and banks resident in Turkey. Moreover, during this period, net USD 2.6 billion of timed import-originated short-term trade

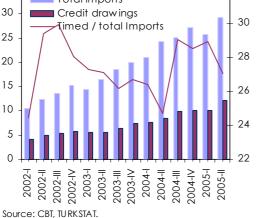
credits was used, while net USD 0.9 billion worth of repayment was made in trade credits extended against timed exports. In the same period, short-term credits used by the private sector and banks became net USD 2.6 billion.

53. The share of long-term credits, which increased in overall financing in 2004, reduced in the first quarter of 2005 and increased again in the second and third quarters. Hence, in the January-September period, banks used long-term credits amounting to net USD 4.8 billion, while other sectors, chiefly the private sector, used long-term credits totaling net USD 5 billion. Meanwhile, banks reduced their short-term credit use during this period to net USD 1.8 billion. The private sector used short-term credits worth net USD 0.8 billion and trade credits worth net USD 2.7 billion.

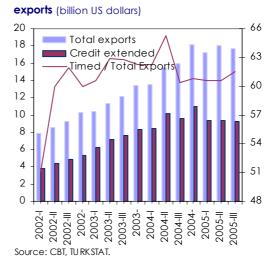


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Trade credits extended abroad &



54. Despite the slowdown observed in the growth of imports in 2005, there was an increase in timed imports and trade credits. While imports grew by 20.8 percent in the January-September period, trade credit use rose by 37.6 percent. On the other hand, in spite of the growth in exports, trade credits extended abroad declined. In this period, total exports increased by 17.7 percent, whereas trade credits extended abroad fell by 0.8 percent.

55. In 2004, long-term credit use displayed a high-rated increase in line with the increases in the GDP by 9 percent and in private sector investment expenditures by 45.5 percent. Data released by TURKSTAT indicate that the GDP and private sector investment expenditures grew by 10.8 percent in the first half of 2005 compared to the same period of the previous year. The growth in both net long-term credits utilized by both the private sector and the banking sector especially in the second quarter of 2005 confirms the upward trend in investment expenditures. Meanwhile, both long-term credit drawings and investment expenditures continued to increase in the third quarter of the year.

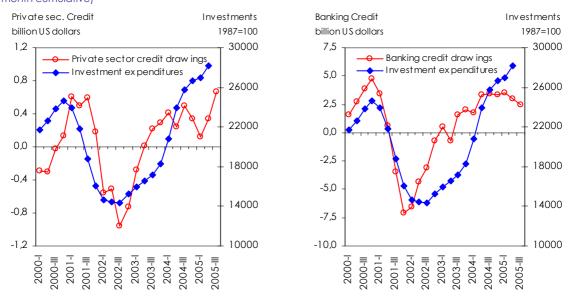
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Long-term net credit use and private sector investment expenditures (12-month cumulative)

Source: CBT, TURKSTAT.

56. In the first three quarters of 2005, net short-term credit use fell by 31.6 percent, while net short-term credits used by other sectors rose by 68.7 percent.





Source: CBT, TURKSTAT.

57. The Central Bank continued to repay IMF credits, which were extended in and before 2001. In January-September 2005, the Central Bank paid an amount of USD 2.6 billion to IMF. Meanwhile, the Treasury used USD 0.8 billion worth of IMF credits and repaid USD 3 billion.

58. The outflow from long-term foreign currency deposit accounts with credit letters and super FX accounts opened with the Central Bank by Turkish workers abroad has been continuing since April 2003. Outflows from short-term accounts, which started in the last quarter of 2004, persisted in 2005. Accordingly, in January-September 2005, deposits with the Central Bank fell by net USD 573 million. The gradual interest rate cuts in both FX deposits with credit letters and super FX accounts are considered to be influential in these outflows. In fact, while interest rates of the euro-denominated super FX accounts with 1, 2 and 3-year

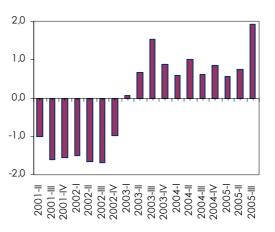
maturities were 8, 9 and 10 percent, respectively in 2002, the said rates were reduced to 3, 3.5 and 4 percent, respectively, as of June 20, 2005.

59. FX deposits of non-residents in domestic banks, which had increased by USD 856 million in overall 2004, rose by USD 2.1 billion in the first nine months 2005.

Deposits belonging to non-residents (12-month, million US dollars) FX deposits with credit letter and Super FX accounts 2,0 1,5 1,0

2001-II 2001-II 2001-II 2001-IV 2001-IV 2002-IV 2002-II 2002-II 2002-II 2003-II 2005-II 2005-I

Non-residents' short-term deposits in banks



Source: CBT.

0,5

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60. Total external debt stock became USD 161.8 billion by the end of the first half of 2005. Medium and long-term external debt decreased by 1.2 percent compared to end-2004, whereas short-term external debt stock rose by 4.9 percent. The increase in short-term debt stock stemmed from the increases in trade credits used by the private sector, short-term credits used by banks and deposits of non-resident banks.

61. The improvement in external debt indicators throughout 2004 and in the first half of 2005 is remarkable. Despite the current account deficit, which was realized as USD 19 billion on an annual basis by June, in which data on external debt stock are available, the ratio of external debt stock to GDP declined. Similarly, the ratio of external debt stock to exports decreased in the first half of 2005.

External Debt Ratios

(percent)

						2004	20	005		
	2000	2001	2002	2003	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	QI	Q2
External Debt Stock / GDP	59,4	78,1	70,6	60,2	55,1	53,4	53,3	53,8	51,5	49,8
External Debt Stock / Exports	426,9	362,7	361,1	307,6	287,8	270,2	260,7	256,3	239,2	233,4
Debt Service / GDP	11,0	16,9	15,6	11,5	11,4	10,7	10,5	10,1	9,7	10,3
Memo:										
External Debt Stock (billion \$)	118,6	113,7	130,2	145,4	145,0	147,5	152,2	161,8	160,0	161,8
GDP (billion \$)	199,7	145,6	184,4	241,3	263, 1	276,3	285,7	300,6	310,3	325, 1
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Source: TURKSTAT, Undersecretariat of Treasury.

VI. APPENDIX

CURRENT ACCOUNT (USD million)

	Net		Foreigr	Trade	CU	rrent Acco Serv		Inc	Income Transfers				
		Net	Exports (FOB)	Shuttle Trade	Imports (CIF)	Net	Travel Revenues	Net	Interest Expenditu re	Net	Workers Remittan ces		
						(annual)			10		005		
2000	-9819	-21959	27775	2946	-54503	11368	7636	-4002	-4825	4774	4560		
2001	3390	-3733	31334	3039	-41399	9130	8090	-5000	-5497	2993	2786		
2002	-1524	-7283	36059	4065	-51554	7879	8479	-4556	-4416	2436	1936		
2003*	-8035	-14010	47253	3953	-69340	10505	13203	-5557	-4579	1027	729		
2004	-15647	-23924	63121	3880	-97540	12786 (quarterly)	15888	-5636	-4342	1127	804		
2003 III	1080	-4082	12180	1082	-18448	6241	7032	-1377	-1133	298	235		
IV	-3458	-4312	13389	1160	-20054	1919	2711	-1335	-1171	270	205		
2004 I	-5400	-5059	13500	877	-20921	948	1713	-1515	-940	226	193		
II	-4547	-6017	15519	1043	-24391	2578	3270	-1404	-991	296	181		
III	-672	-6429	15968	973	-25098	6741	7662	-1332	-1169	348	237		
IV	-5028	-6419	18134	987	-27130	2519	3243	-1385	-1242	257	193		
2005 I	-6190	-6231	17240	713	-25727	1195	1995	-1401	-1082	247	181		
Ш	-7115	-8599	17988	942	-29275	2750	3760	-1643	-1227	377	171		
III	-3047	-9757	17709	813	-30076	7591 (monthly)	8817	-1335	-1339	454	247		
2004 Oct	-185	-1386	5863	360	-8088	1475	1729	-343	-309	69	58		
Nov	-1931	-2018	5732	311	-8568	578	856	-577	-553	86	71		
Dec	-2912	-3015	6539	316	-10474	466	658	-465	-380	102	64		
2005 Jan	-1461	-1575	4997	206	-7209	453	690	-428	-277	89	60		
Feb	-2265	-1934	5652	236	-8322	200	548	-601	-496	70	58		
Mar	-2464	-2722	6591	271	-10196	542	757	-372	-309	88	63		
Apr	-2541	-2563	6125	329	-9594	547	860	-602	-320	77	59		
May	-2386	-3017	5903	308	-9811	1035	1400	-611	-557	207	58		
Jun	-2188	-3019	5960	305	-9870	1168	1500	-430	-350	93	54		
Jul	-1209	-3139	5680	204	-9593	2141	2602	-380	-303	169	78		
Aug	-1298	-3886	5439	307	-10249	3029	3453	-593	-648	152	85		
Sep	-540	-2732	6590	302	-10234	2421 (12-month	2762	-362	-388	133	84		
2004 Oct	-14262	-22299	59415	3962	-91977	12476	15631	-5559	-4267	1120	797		
Nov	-15674	-23709	61177	3918	-95300	12442	15720	-5543	-4321	1136	807		
Dec	-15647	-23924	63121	3880	-97540	12786	15888	-5636	-4342	1127	804		
2005 Jan	-16123	-24493	63499	3830	-98419	12849	15976	-5596	-4400	1117	783		
Feb	-16163	-24631	65487	3786	-100602	12890	16021	-5549	-4485	1127	787		
Mar	-16437	-25096	66861	3716	-102346	13033	16170	-5522	-4484	1148	792		
Apr	-17259	-25739	67915	3687	-104008	13020	16257	-5688	-4541	1148	788		
May	-18303	-26893	68651	3626	-105828	13044	16492	-5732	-4651	1278	782		
Jun	-19005	-27678	69330	3615	-107230	13205	16660	-5761	-4720	1229	782		
Jul	-19455	-28634	69381	3572	-108095	13596	17107	-5688	-4759	1271	790		
Aug	-20761	-30251	70126	3510	-110461	13867	17536	-5693	-4830	1316	792		
Sep	-21380	-31006	71071	3455	-112208	14055	17815	-5764	-4890	1335	792		

Source: CBT.

* Due to the change in definition, 2003 travel revenues revised upward, while workers' remittances revised downward. Since this change is not apllied to previous years, travel revenues and workers remmitances should not be compared.

CAPITAL and FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (USD million)

								Capital a	nd Financial A	Account							
	Net		Financial Account														
		Net	Foreign		Portfolio Ir	nvestment						Other Inv	estment				
			Direct	Net	Assets	Liab	ilities	Net	Currency				Liabi	lities			
			Investment			Equity	Debt		and	Net	Trade		Cre	dits		Depo	osits
						Securities	Securities		Deposits		Credits	Monetary Authority	General Gov.	Banks	Other Sectors	Monetary Authority	Banks
												, to money	0011		0001010	, (01110111)	
									(annual)								
2000	12581	12581	112	1022	-593	489	1126	11801	-1690	13740	805	3348	117	4378	5025	622	-642
2001	-1719	-1719	2769	-4515	-788	-79	-3648	-2667	927	-2066	-1930	10229	-1977	-8076	438	736	-1568
2002	1372	1372	824	-593	-2096	-16	1519	7294	594	8071	2483	-6138	11834	-1028	475	1336	-988
2003	3002	3002	1227	2465	-1386	905	2946	3357	724	4343	2181	-1479	-765	1975	955	497	871
2004	13298	13298	1906	8023	-1388	1427	7984	4193	-5965	11148	4204	-4414	-267	5708	5112	-209	856
									(quarterly)								
2003 III	-1239	-1239	449	1607	-604	562	1649	2005	-862	3054	570	-466	6	1251	784	322	517
IV	1226	1226	452	-1	-332	276	55	-1011	-1666	1072	985	-744	-212	1082	351	61	-460
2004 I	6441	6441	519	2799	140	503	2156	2909	1079	1763	969	-1110	-560	657	1555	6	255
Ш	2211	2211	479	1207	184	-25	1048	1586	-1230	3689	1149	-1084	118	1254	1559	-75	703
III	1924	1924	516	449	-898	226	1121	1577	-3647	4321	1355	-1093	872	1680	1323	-23	113
IV	2722	2722	. 392	3568	-814	723	3659	-1879	-2167	1375	731	-1127	-697	2117	675	-117	-215
2005 I	5474	5474	503	3852	-1137	1906	3083	4394	3571	238	650	-1008	-381	607	507	-113	-36
Ш	4026	4026	134	3062	90	991	1981	4209	-2938	6757	1348	-945	-1189	4006	2732	-191	874
111	2866	2866	2338	2046	-351	1828	569	389	-3510	3847	689	-603	-1983	1979	2586	-269	1289

Source: CBT.

CAPITAL and FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (USD million)

								Capital a	nd Financial /	Account							
	Net								Financial A	ccount							
		Net	Foreign		Portfolio II	nvestment						Other Inv					
			Direct	Net	Assets		ilities	Net	Currency				Liabi				
			Investment			Equity	Debt		and	Net	Trade		Credits			Dep	
						Securities	Securities		Deposits		Credits	Monetary Authority	General Gov.	Banks	Other Sectors	Monetary Authority	Banks
									(monthly)								
2004 Oct	-95	-95	237	1168	-505	37	1636	-927	-613	111	142	-155	-279	-80	289	-53	238
Nov	712	712	61	323	-253	212	364	-1051	-1445	589	-166	-493	-193	1863	54	-47	-429
Dec	2105	2105	94	2077	-56	474	1659	99	-109	675	755	-479	-225	334	332	-17	-24
2005 Jan	2424	2424	118	3123	-856	908	3071	1273	866	-344	-220	-162	-133	388	-112	-37	-70
Feb	1653	1653	320	1479	46	526	907	-731	391	-1356	-230	-497	-132	-542	229	-29	-157
Mar	1397	1397	65	-750	-327	472	-895	3852	2314	1938	1100	-349	-116	761	390	-47	191
Apr	2320	2320	58	-125	-256	311	-180	1621	-695	2230	792	-159	-329	522	746	-53	693
May	1385	1385	-34	978	428	96	454	-309	-1711	1194	408	-450	-722	559	884	-83	545
Jun	321	321	110	2209	-82	584	1707	2897	-532	3333	148	-336	-138	2925	1102	-55	-364
Jul	1261	1261	1104	1025	-715	571	1169	2150	-318	2228	107	-153	-248	879	1413	-30	205
Aug	394	394	462	-609	-21	501	-1089	-1714	-2292	305	347	-114	-1388	151	601	-118	768
Sep	1211	1211	772	1630	385	756	489	-47	-900	1314	235	-336	-347	949	572	-121	316
									(12-month) _								
2004 Oct	11865	11865		5369	-1584		6067	6021	-4839	11218	4114	-3995	176	4560	4867		1463
Nov	12199	12199		6348	-1521	1010	6859	5990		13106	4071	-4058	194	6771	5140		1015
Dec	13298	13298		8023	-1388		7984	4193		11148	4204	-4414	-267	5708	5112		856
2005 Jan	13047	13047		9485	-2139		9271	4359	-5716	10268	3912	-4418	-234	5852	4605		638
Feb	11689	11689		10744	-1826		10055	1525		8657	3472	-4424	-258	5023	4500		456
Mar	12331	12331		9076	-2665		8911	5678		9623	3885	-4312	-88	5658	4064		565
Apr	13987	13987		9106	-3194		9063	5117	-4284	9438	4219	-4277	-1081	5653	4135		963
May	13945	13945		9858	-2822		9287	4861	-5395	9878	4304	-4294	-1581	5802	4494		1343
Jun	14146	14146		10931	-2759		9844	8301	-5181	12691	4084	-4173	-1395	8410	5237	-444	736
Jul	13644	13644		12015	-3294		10982	10230	-3988	13401	3497	-4170	-2120	8953	6149		1343
Aug	13792	13792		11394	-2998		9517	7063		10692	3390	-3803	-4060	7855	6211	-635	1448
Sep	15088	15088	3367	12528	-2212	5448	9292	7113	-5044	12217	3418	-3683	-4250	8709	6500	-690	1912

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