

## General Outlook to Turkish Apparel Sector in the first half of 2016

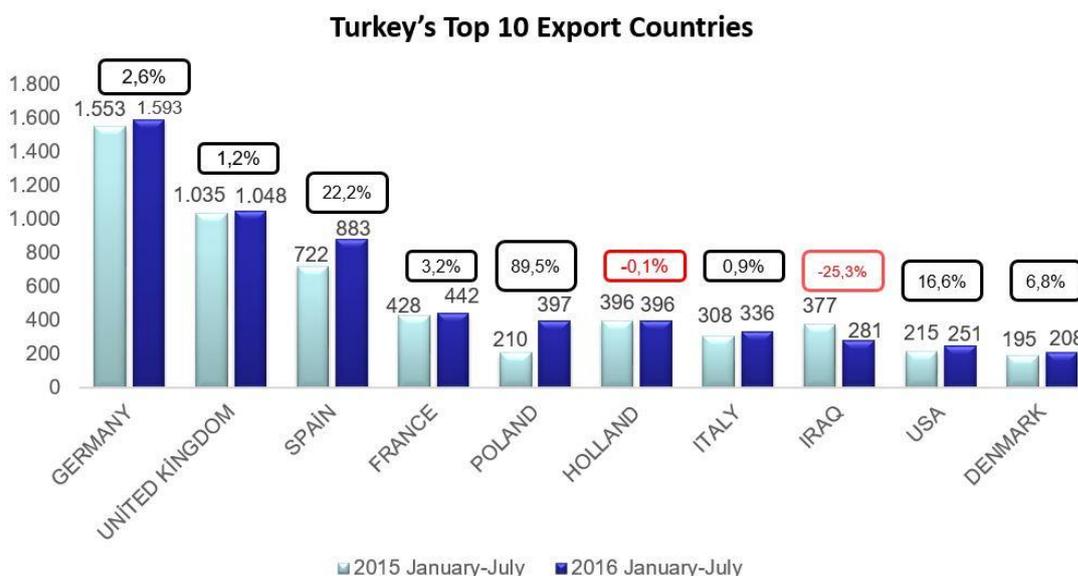
In the first six months of 2016, Turkey's apparel export increased 7% and became 8,7 billion \$ compared to the same period of 2015. Turkey's apparel export's share within the general export of Turkey has gone up from 11,1% to 12,4%.

In Turkey, apparel sector is **the second biggest sector** following the automotive sector with a share of 12,4%. Despite the decrease rate of 3,8% in the general export of Turkey, the apparel export has realised an increase of 7% compared to the same period of 2015.

	2015 January-June	2016 January-June	2015/16 Change %
Turkey's General Export	73.433.868	70.653.983	-3,8
<b>Apparel Export</b>	<b>8.155.921</b>	<b>8.729.292</b>	<b>7,0</b>
Apparel Export's Share	11,1	12,4	

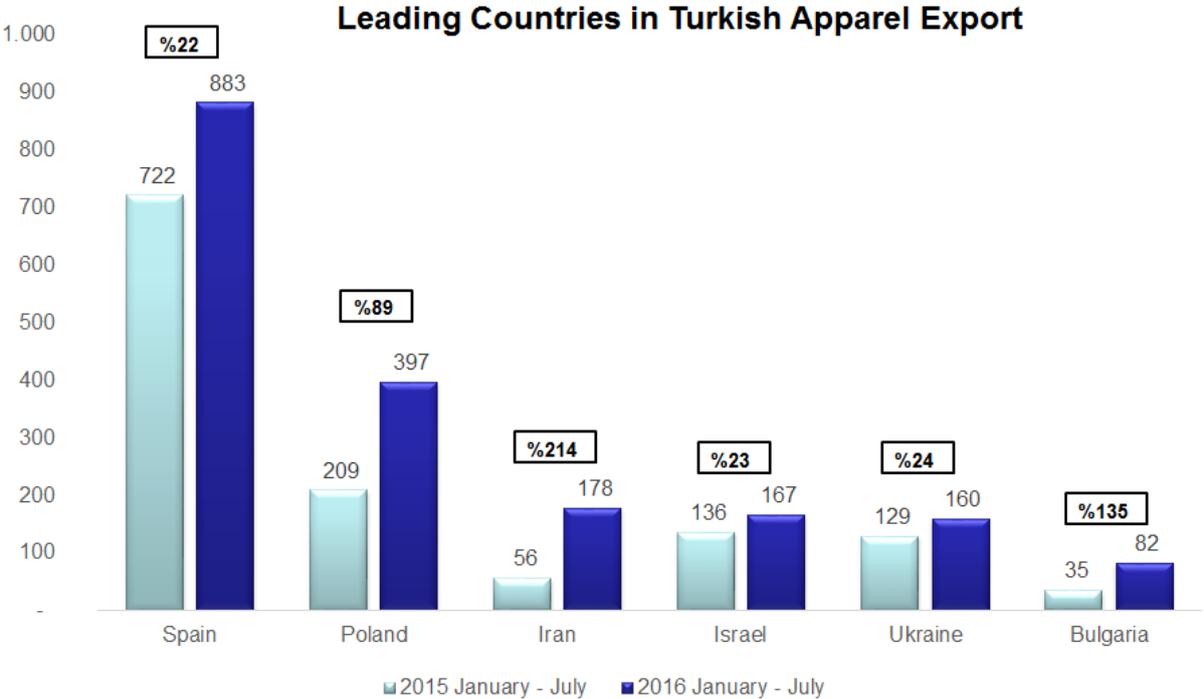
Source: Exporters' Association Figures

For the first six months, apparel export from Turkey to all over the world has raised between the rates of 5,44 % and 22,4%. Sectoral export's 70,8% has gone to EU countries and the increase rate of export to EU countries is 6,1%. Following EU countries, Middle Eastern countries' rate of export is recorded as 12,1%.



Source: Exporters' Association Figures

Germany, United Kingdom, Spain, France, Poland, Holland, Italy, Iraq, USA and Denmark are the leading countries in Turkey’s apparel export. Except two countries, Holland and Iraq, export rates to these countries has increased between the rates of 1,2% and 89,5% compared to the same period of 2015. The highest increase rate was recorded in export to Poland with the increase rate of 89,5%. For the first half, Turkey’s export to first ten countries is recorded as 5.8 billion \$ and this number compose the 67% of the sectoral export of 8.7 billion \$.



Source: Exporters' Association Figures

Spain, Poland, Iran, Israel, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Latvia, Jordan, Czech Republic and Azerbaijan are the countries which realised high increase rates in export. The important thing is alongside that these countries realised a high increase rate, their amount of export are also high on dollar basis.

Within these countries, with an increase rate of 22%, Spain’s export is recorded as 883,1 million \$. Export rate to Poland has also raised to 89% and total amount is 397,3 million \$. Iran is in the third place with an increase rate of 214% realising 178,1 million \$ export. The biggest increase rate is recorded in export to Latvia with an increase rate of 851%.

<b>Apparel Export Based on Product Groups</b>					
<b>2015 - 2016 January - June</b>					
<i>Unit: 1000 \$</i>					
		2015	2016	Change	Share
GTIP	Product Groups	January-June	January-June	%	%
61	Knitted Products	4.234.314	4.489.005	6,0	51,4
62	Woven Products	2.923.310	3.193.661	9,2	36,6
63	Other Ready-Made Products	912.038	963.544	5,6	11,0
<i>Source: Exporters' Association Figures</i>					

When the export numbers in product groups are analysed it can be seen that the share of knitted products is 51,4%, the share of woven products is 36,6% and the share of other ready-made products is 11%.

Alongside the share, increase rates between 5,6% and 9,2% is recorded all in these three product groups. Overall, it can be clearly seen that there is an increase in all product groups in the first half of 2016.