

## General Outlook to Turkish Apparel Sector in 2017

In 2017, Turkey's apparel export increased 0,5% and became 17 billion \$ compared to the same period of 2016. Turkey's apparel export's share within the general export of Turkey has decreased from 11,9% to 10,9%.

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.

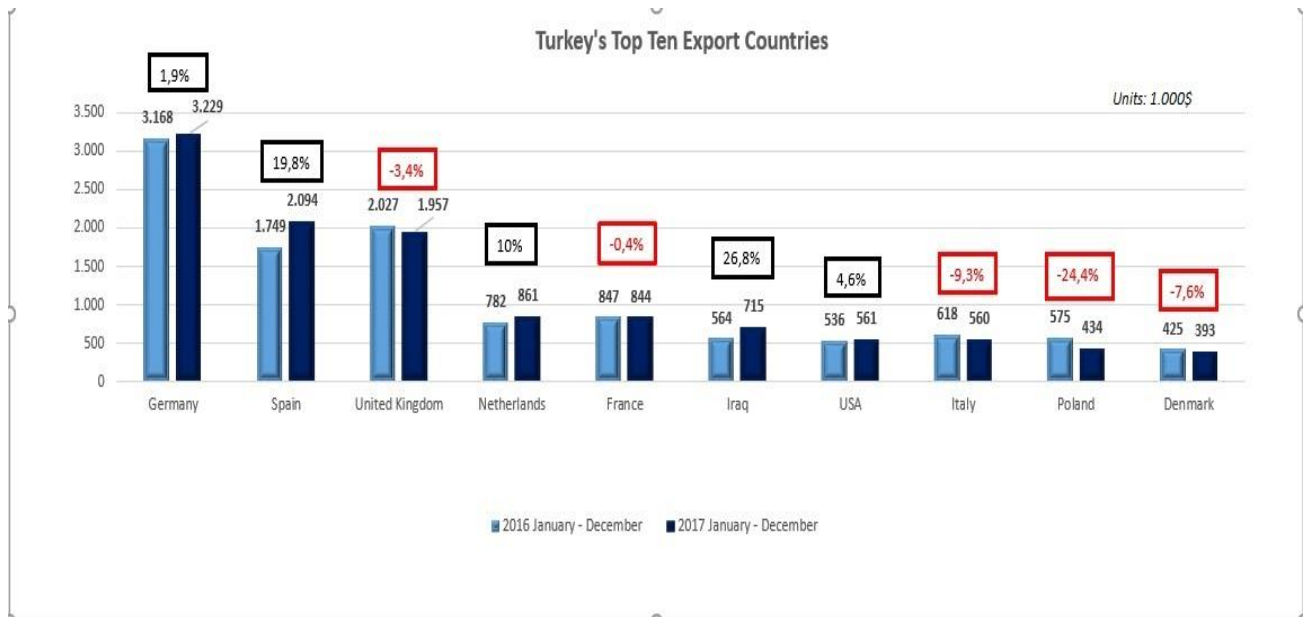
<b>Turkey's Apparel Export Share within the General Export</b>			
<i>Units: 1000 \$</i>			
	2016	2017	2016/17
	January - December	January - December	Change %
Turkey's General Export	142.069.560	156.782.257	10,4
<b>Apparel Export</b>	<b>16.956.074</b>	<b>17.045.360</b>	0,5
Apparel Export's Share	11,9	10,9	
<b>Industrial Export</b>	<b>107.600.041</b>	<b>121.392.773</b>	12,8
Apparel Export's Share within the Industrial Export	15,8	14,0	

**Source:** Exporters' Association Figures

In 2017, apparel export from Turkey to all over the world has raised 0,5%. Sectoral export's 71,4% has gone to EU countries and the increase rate of export to EU countries is 1,5%. Following EU countries, Middle Eastern countries' rate of export is recorded as 11,3%.

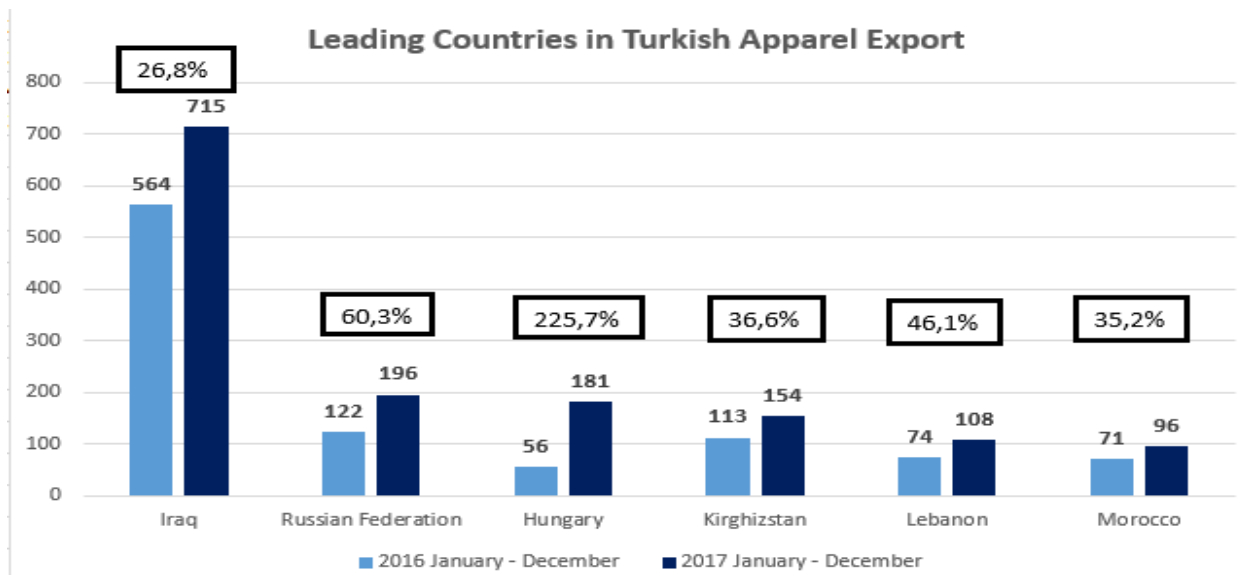
<b>Turkey's Apparel Export According to Country Blocs</b>				
<i>Units: 1.000 \$</i>				
Country Blocs	2016	2017	2016/17	2017
	January-December	January-December	Change %	Share %
EU Countries	11.999.893	12.176.363	1,5	71,4
Middle Eastern Countries	1.997.315	1.917.762	-4,0	11,3
Former Eastern Bloc Countries	753.052	808.115	7,3	4,7
African Countries	643.695	675.046	4,9	4,0
American Countries	668.480	612.660	-8,4	3,6
Turkic Republic Countries	373.865	340.789	-8,8	2,0
Asian and Ocenian Countries	235.936	254.016	7,7	1,5
Other European Countries	210.096	189.467	-9,8	1,1
Free Zones	73.560	70.867	-3,7	0,4
<b>Total Apparel Export</b>	<b>16.956.074</b>	<b>17.045.360</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>100,0</b>

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Germany, Spain, United Kingdom, Netherlands, France, Iraq, USA, Italy, Poland and Denmark are the leading countries in Turkey's apparel export. Except five countries, United Kingdom, France, Italy Poland and Denmark; export rates to these countries has increased between the rates of 1,9% and 26,8% compared to 2016. The highest increase rate was recorded in export to Iraq with the increase rate of 26,8%. For the year 2017, Turkey's export to first ten countries is recorded as 11,6 billion \$ and this number compose the 68,3% of the sectoral export of 17 billion \$.



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Iraq, Russian Federation, Hungary, Kirghizstan, Lebanon and Mororcco 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 26,8%, Spain's export is recorded as 715 million \$. Export rate to Russian Federation has also raised to 60,3% and total amount is 196 million \$. Hungary is in the third place with an increase rate of 225,7% realising 181 million \$ export.

<b>Apparel Export Based on Product Groups</b>					
<b>2015 - 2016 January-December</b>					
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		2016	2017	Change	Share
GTIP	Product Groups	January-December	January-December	%	%
61	Knitted Products	8.879.801	8.872.965	- 0,2	52,1
62	Woven Products	5.950.353	5.971.898	0,8	35,0
63	Other Ready-Made Products	1.954.412	2.012.333	3,5	11,8

*Source: Exporter's Association Figures*

When the export numbers in product groups are analysed the share of knitted products is 52,1%, the share of woven products is 35% and the share of other ready-made products is 11,8%.

Alongside the share, increase rates between 0,8% and 3,5% is recorded in woven and other ready-made products. However, for knitted products, a decrease rate of 0,2% was recorded.