

ICI TURKEY EXPORT CLIMATE INDEX

Istanbul Chamber of Industry

Demand conditions in export markets improve markedly again

KEY FINDINGS

Export Climate Index remains at 54.7 in October

Strong expansions in US and Middle East

Weaker growth in some parts of Europe

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LAST TWEL	<u>/E MONTHS</u>	
Nov-20	48.9	
Dec-20	50.5	
Jan 21	40.0	

Dec-20	50.5	
Jan-21	49.9	
Feb-21	51.5	
Mar-21	54.7	
Apr-21	56.0	
May-21	58.4	
Jun-21	58.5	
Jul-21	57.7	
Aug-21	55.9	
Sep-21	54.7	
Oct-21	54.7	

The export climate for Turkish manufacturers continued to improve markedly at the start of the final quarter of the year, as strong growth of activity in the Middle East and US compensated for signs of a slowdown in Europe. Meanwhile, the negative effects of the latest wave of the COVID-19 pandemic across the Asia-Pacific region waned.

The Turkey Manufacturing Export Climate Index is calculated by weighting together national PMI data on output trends from PMI surveys. Weights are derived from statistics on the relative importance of individual trading partners' contributions to the exports of Turkish manufacturers.

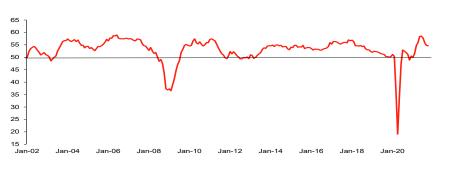
The Istanbul Chamber of Industry Turkey Manufacturing Export Climate Index remained at 54.7 in October, thereby signalling a further marked improvement in demand conditions for Turkish manufacturing exporters, albeit one that was the joint-softest since February. The world's largest economy - the US - recorded a sharp increase in business activity in October, and one that was the fastest in three months.

Marked expansions were also often seen in the Middle East at the start of the final quarter. The UAE posted the strongest rise in non-oil output since July 2019, while the expansion in Saudi Arabia was the fastest in almost four years. Moreover, Qatar posted the sharpest rise in activity of all the countries covered in October. On a less positive note, further reductions in demand were seen in Egypt and Lebanon.

The generally strong growth picture in the US and Middle East compensated for signs of expansions moderating in Europe as severe supply-chain disruption limited rates of increase. Slower rises in activity were seen in Germany, France, Italy and Spain. The rate of growth in Germany was the softest since February, while France, Italy and Spain each recorded the slowest expansion since April.

Manufacturing PMI Export Climate Index

sa, >50= improvement since previous month







In contrast, the UK and Netherlands bucked this trend and registered sharper increases in output than in September.

After suffering during the third quarter of the year due to outbreaks of the COVID-19 pandemic, there were signs of recovery in the Asia-Pacific region in October. Australia, Malaysia, Japan and Vietnam all saw activity return to growth, while Mainland China posted a rise in output for the second month running.

Across the other BRIC economies, a strong improvement in demand was registered in India, while Brazil saw output rise solidly. Russia on the other hand, posted a slight reduction in activity for the second time in the past three months.

Comment

Commenting on the Istanbul Chamber of Industry Turkey Manufacturing Export Climate Index, Andrew Harker, Economics Director, IHS Markit, said:

"While the unprecedented bout of supply-chain disruption makes exporting goods around the world more difficult, the latest data show that underlying demand conditions at least remain conducive to growth. There have been some signs of a slowdown in Europe in recent months, but the baton has been taken up by parts of the Middle East which are growing strongly, while the US saw output rise at the fastest pace in three months during October."

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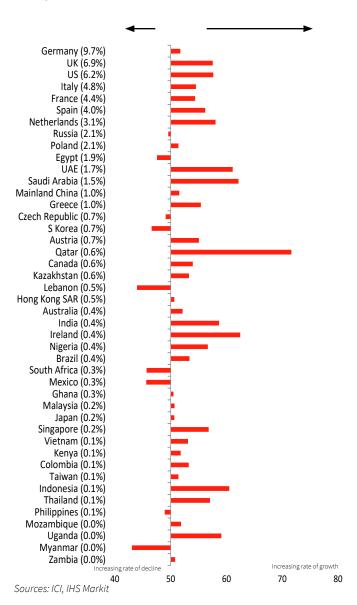
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Country rankings

PMI Output Index (ordered by export weight in full-year 2020) sa, >50= growth since previous month



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About Export Climate Index

The Export Climate PMI indices are calculated by weighting together national PMI survey data on output trends. Weights are derived from official statistics relating to the relative importance of individual trading partners' contributions to the external trade of a specific country. By weighting together the output trends from national PMI surveys according to their importance to the external trade of Turkish manufacturers, an advance indicator for the economic health of their export markets is obtained. All data are seasonally adjusted.

Any reading above the 50.0 no-change mark indicates an improvement in the health of the export climate, with any reading below 50.0 signalling a deterioration. The further away from 50.0 the index reading is, the greater the change in the export climate.

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ICI promotes the sustainable development of Turkish industry and contributes the improvement of her competitiveness via offering innovative services to her members. For this purpose, she develops new projects and services to the use of indus-trialists in crucial fields such as; innovation, technology development, university-industry cooperation, vocational training, international relations, environment and energy with local and international partnerships.

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