

ICI TÜRKIYE EXPORT CLIMATE INDEX

Istanbul Chamber of Industry

Export climate improves for seventeenth month running



ECI rises to 51.0 in May

Growth accelerates in US

France and Germany see output fall again

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> 51.0 APR: 50.8

LAST TWELVE MONTHS

Jun-24	51.6
Jul-24	50.8
Aug-24	51.3
Sep-24	50.5
Oct-24	51.1
Nov-24	50.6
Dec-24	50.9
Jan-25	51.2
Feb-25	51.1
Mar-25	51.5
Apr-25	50.8
May-25	51.0

May data pointed to another modest improvement in the demand climate for Turkish manufacturing exporters. The US saw growth regain momentum, while output continued to rise sharply in parts of the Middle East. A number of key European markets posted increases in business activity, but Germany and France remained in contraction. Meanwhile, output stabilised in the UK.

The 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 Türkiye Manufacturing Export Climate Index ticked up to 51.0 in May from 50.8 in April. As such, the index posted above the 50.0 no-change mark for the seventeenth consecutive month to signal a further strengthening in the export climate for Turkish manufacturing exporters. The

latest improvement was only slight, but slightly more pronounced than that seen in April.

The US, which is the second-largest export market, registered a solid increase in output during May, with the rate of expansion reaccelerating after easing to a 19-month low in April.

Alongside the US, the Middle East remained a key source of export opportunities midway through the second quarter. The UAE posted a marked monthly rise in non-oil business activity, although the pace of expansion eased to the weakest since September 2021. Softer, but still sharp increases in output were also seen in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, while activity fell in Egypt, Lebanon and Qatar.

In Europe the demand picture was mixed. Sustained increases in business activity were seen in a number of key markets, including Italy, Spain and the Netherlands. On the other hand, further reductions in output were recorded in

Manufacturing PMI Export Climate Index

sa, >50= improvement since previous month



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France, Germany and Romania during May.

The UK saw no change in output over the month, representing a stabilisation following a slight fall in April. Meanwhile, Russia posted a renewed expansion, ending a two-month sequence of decline.

Of all the economies covered by the report, the fastest increase in activity during May was seen in Uganda where the pace of expansion quickened to the strongest since August last year.

At the other end of the scale, the most marked reduction in output was recorded in Mexico amid the impact of tariffs. Similarly, Canada continued to see business activity decline midway through the second quarter.

Comment

Commenting on the Istanbul Chamber of Industry Türkiye Manufacturing Export Climate Index, Andrew Harker, Economics Director, S&P Global Market Intelligence, said:

"Despite the variations in global trade conditions at present, there are enough pockets of growth among key export partners to mean that the overall demand climate for Turkish manufacturing exporters improved again during May. The rebound in growth in the US was a key highlight of the month, while firms will be hoping to see something similar among the larger European economies to really provide a boost to overall conditions."

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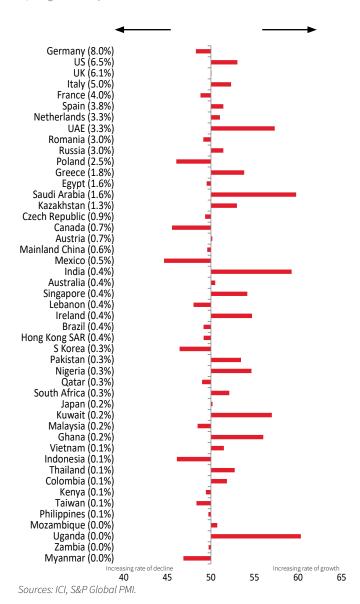
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Country rankings

PMI Output Index (ordered by export weight in full-year 2024)

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.

About Istanbul Chamber of Industry

Driving strength from her members' contributions to Turkish economy and since her foundation in 1952, Istanbul Chamber of Industry (ICI) stands out as Türkiye's largest chamber of industry and one of the most powerful representatives of Turkish industry. The added value generated by ICI members represents more than 40% of the total added value propagated by Turkish industry. ICI members actualize approximately 35% of production of Turkish industry. 36% of Türkiye's Top 500 Industrial Enterprises consists of ICI members.

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 industrialists 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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