



3rd Quarter 2019

Following **1.7%** and **1.0%** quarter-on-quarter growth in the first and second quarters of 2019, the economy of Turkey continued to expand by **0.4%** in the third quarter of 2019. Quarter-on-quarter data vouched for the recovery in the economic activity.

Moreover, registering **0.9%** growth against the same quarter of 2018, the economy has grown annually after contracting for the last three consecutive quarters. The trend in the annual data suggested a strong signal in the sense that the economic growth was returning back to its long-term increasing path.

According to the expenditure approach, private consumption, government consumption, and stock and inventories contributed to growth by **0.9**, **0.9**, and **2.8** percentage points, respectively. Contrarily, investment expenses pulled down the growth by **-3.4** points. Moreover, whilst exports continued to contribute to the growth by **1.2** points., net export posted a negative contribution of **-0.2** points due to the increase in imports. The positive contribution of stock and inventories and the increase in imports were perceived as signals of higher consumption and investment in the upcoming quarters.

Real GDP Growth in the Third Quarter of 2019

	Percentage change compared to same quarter of previous year	Percentage Point Contribution to Growth
Private Consumption	1.5%	0.9
Government Consumption	7.0%	0.9
Investment Expenditure	-12.6%	-3.4
Net Exports (Export - Import)		-0.2
Export	5.1%	1.2
Import	7.6%	1.4
Stock Changes		2.8
GDP Growth	0.9%	0.9