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POLITICAL STABILITY in Turkey

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Summary and Evaluation

The Political Stability Index (PSI) decreased in May; from **37.897** to **37.424**. The decline both in the “Government Forming and Operation” and the “Basic Legitimacy and Decisiveness of Governance Norms” sub-sector indexes are remarkable.

The sub sector index, “Basic Legitimacy and Decisiveness of Governance Norms”, decreased seriously. The main reasons for the decrease were the completion of the Gezi Park trials and the trial phase, the Ministry of Interior's organization of Meetings and Demonstrations, the obvious regressions in the social state, and violations of the basic rule sets in the subordinate administration norms.

The sub sector index, “Parliament Support and Structure”, decreased very little. The main reason for the decrease was that: Generally, it is a loose operation that ignores the institutionalism of the Parliament, especially, such as the administration's view of the Parliament and its use.

The sub sector index, “Government Forming and Operation”, went down sharply. The main reasons for the decrease were those: The government has neither been able to read the obvious developments to the globe (interest, commodity/energy, geo-politics) nor has it been able to take the necessary precautions beforehand. With or without Covid-19, the already weakened institutional and financial buffers have made it impossible to control all costs, especially financial, from agriculture to energy, from commodities to essential imports. Public administrations in chapters give signals of technical collapse. Erdoğan: "Some of those who put before us the imposition of benchmark interest-inflation, which has no relation anywhere in the world, as the only recipe for salvation, are utterly ignorant and some are outright treacherous." There is nothing left to be said or done. The implication is that the technical bankruptcy of the 66th Government has been declared.



The sub sector index, “**Political Efficiency and Governance**”, increased slightly. Policy-message order, regulation and decision quality are also declining. Pressure and intimidation against the opposition is active, additional regulations and measures are in place, and political and social limits are being pushed again.

The sub sector index, “**Relations with Institutions**”, went down slightly. Although the BRSA and the CBRT are trying to support the 66th Government, their decisions and regulations make it difficult for the Government and the State, as well as the national will.

The sub sector index, “**Relations with Foreign Political Actors**”, increased slightly. The main reasons for the increase were those: Positive potentials that fluctuated slightly in the EU and the UK were observed as precautionary. Interaction with the USA is on the verge of deteriorating again.

The sub sector index, “**Bureaucratic Capacity and Full Usage**”, did not change. The paid military service and inequality in the military, the increase in the number of days off due to covid-19 in prisons, unequal restrictions on concerts and events, heavy unequal practices of RTÜK, and the decisions and regulations of the BRSA/CBRT were observed negatively.

The sub sector index, “**Political Violence**”, increased slightly. Although there was no problem within the border, the PKK in Northern Iraq should not have been so effective even if it was not very crowded right next to the border. The casualties in face-to-face clashes, the shootings of our flying elements, the military health units established near the border; the landscape is depressing. The frequency and scores of PKK/YPG shootings in Syria were not positive signs, but the opposite. Continuing losses inflicted on PKK and YPG supported the sub-sector index. Losses in Covid-19 were above the number of April; it was negatively observed.

The sub sector index, “**Economic Stability Factors**”, decreased remarkably. The main reasons for the decrease were those: The 66th Government has made the economy into an inextricable situation with its anti-interest rate, cannot get rid of rent increases that will be restrained by high/positive interest rates, excess consumption and savings. High inflation makes cost control in agriculture and other inputs impossible, and the economy is moving towards a slow-motion train wreck.



The Political Stability Index decreased in May. The stability of the country cannot be carried even for a short time by the makeshift foreign political positioning. Signals of improvement in interaction with the US in April were to the contrary in May. The country needs urgent resources, and foreign political interaction does not operate in the form of producing resources, insidiously, absorbing resources. Nobody is aiming to support Turkey with foreign resources in return for concessions. On the contrary, it tries to keep it on the opposite axis with the highest deficit.

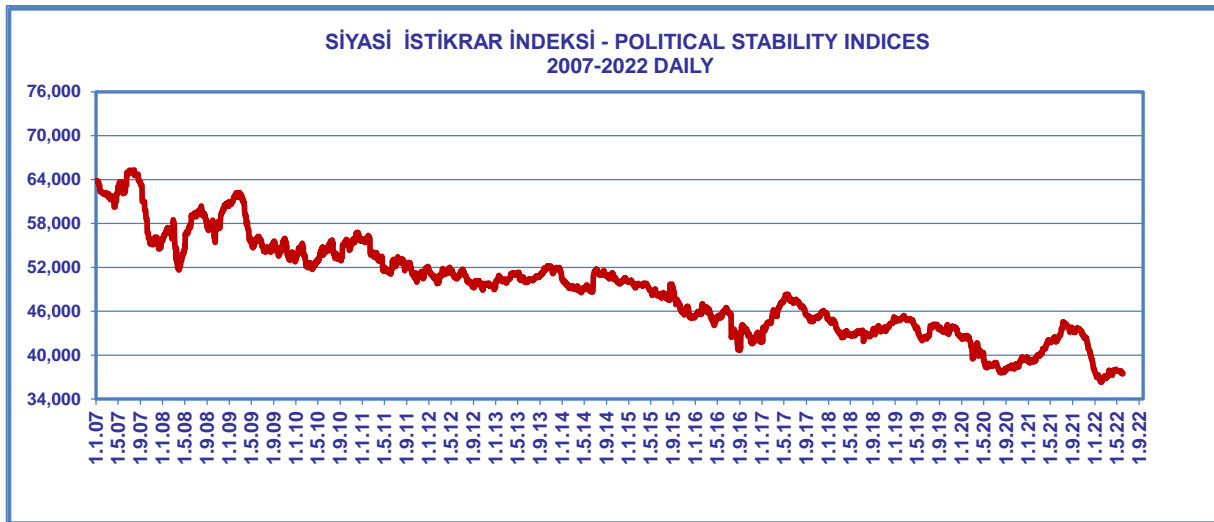


Sub-Sector Developments

	30.04.22	31.05.22	% Değişim / Difference
Siyasi İstikrar İndeksi (Sİİ) / Political Stability Index (PSI)	37.897	37.424	-1,25
Temel Meşruiyet ve Yönetim Normları / Basic Legitimacy And Governance Norms	4.199	3.939	-6,19
Parlamento Desteği ve Yapısı / Parliament Support and Structure	11.579	11.571	-0,07
Hükümet Kurulum ve İşleyişi / Government Forming and Operation	1.051	876	-16,65
Siyasa Uygulama ve Yönetişim / Political Efficiency and Governance	5.079	5.110	0,61
Kurumlarla İlişkiler / Relations with Institutions	3.201	3.197	-0,12
Dış Politik Aktörlerle İlişkiler / Relations with Foreign Political Actors	2.531	2.556	0,99
Bürokratik Kapasite ve Tam Kullanımı / Bureaucratic Capacity and Full Usage	1.764	1.764	0
Siyasi Şiddet / Political Violence	4.249	4.274	0,59
Ekonomik İstikrar Faktörleri / Economical Stability Factors	4.245	4.137	-2,54

Data

In these evaluations, including surveys and reports, **1.388** news articles (from **6.111** to **7.498**) and **320** economic data were analysed. Record rate of news/data is **2,2%**.



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Note: The main report contains 58 pages.



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