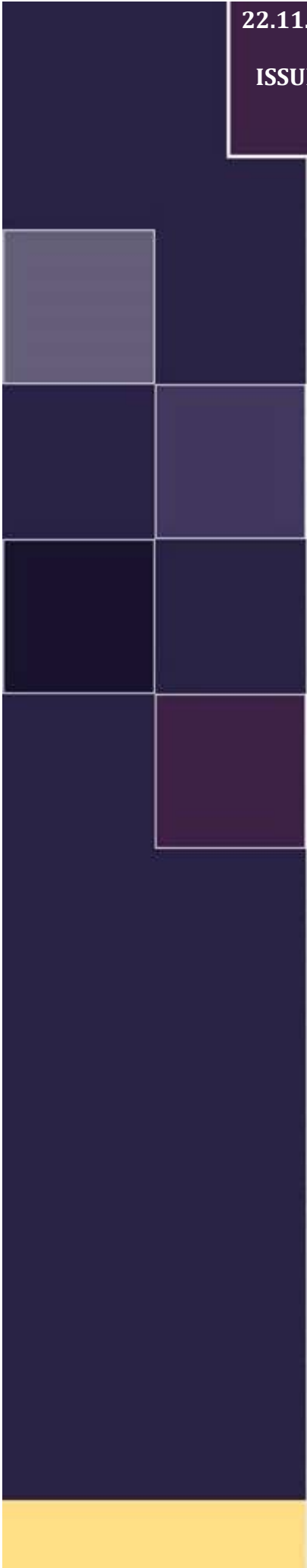


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Employment Increased by 794 Thousand in a Year, 124 Thousand in a Month

The number of employees in formal employment increased by 5,9 percent in August 2017 compared to August 2016 and to 14 million 265 thousand. Seasonally adjusted values show that the number of employees in formal employment increased by 124 thousand compared to July 2017.

In August 2017, the number of tradesmen and farmers increased by 2,4 percent compared to August 2016 and became 2 million 754 thousand. Considering the seasonally adjusted values, decrease in the number of tradesmen and farmers was 4 thousand compared to July 2017.

The number of public sector employees became 2 million 960 thousand with a decrease of 2,7 percent compared to August 2016. Considering the seasonally adjusted values, the number of public sector employees decreased by 2 thousand compared to July 2017.

Table 1. Annual and Monthly Change in the numbers of 4/a Number of Employees, 4/b Number of Tradesman and Farmers, 4/c Public Sector Employees; (August 2017)

	Annual Change*	Monthly Change**
4/a Employees in Formal Employment	793.631	124.265
4/b Tradesmen and Farmers	63.845	4.109
4/c Public Sector Employees	-81.932	-2.209

* Seasonally unadjusted value

** Seasonally adjusted value

Source: SGK, TEPAV

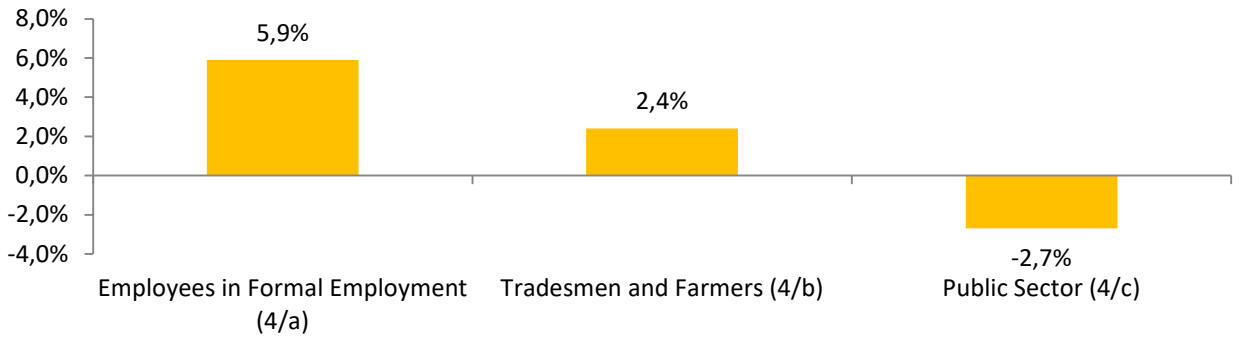
Detailed information and data on August 2017 are available in the accompanying Excel document.

General Evaluation – August 2017

Using the Social Security Institution (SSI) data for August 2017, TEPAV's Employment Monitoring Bulletin's 66th issue analyzes monthly and annual changes in the total formal employment, companies, SME, tradesmen, farmers and public sector employees.

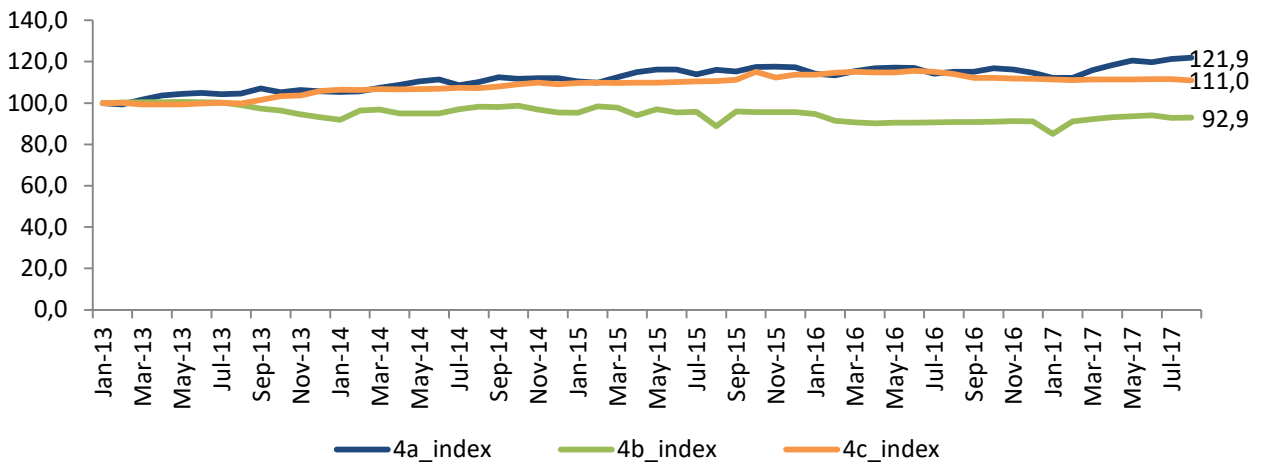
Looking at the changes in the past year, the highest increase in August 2017 is seen in number of employees in formal employment with an increase of 5,9 percent. While the number of tradesman and farmers increased by 2,4 percent; public employees decreased by 2,7 percent.

Figure 1. Percentage change in the number of employed (August 2017 - August 2016)



If the number of employees in formal employment (4/a), self-employed tradesmen and farmers (4/b), public sector employees (4/c) each are taken as equal to 100 in January 2013, the values in August 2017 are 121,9 for employees in formal employment (4/a), 92,9 for self-employed tradesmen and farmers (4/b), and 111 for public sector employees (4/c).

Figure 2. Trends in the number of employed (January 2013=100)



The Number of Companies Increased in 52 out of 88 Sectors in a Year

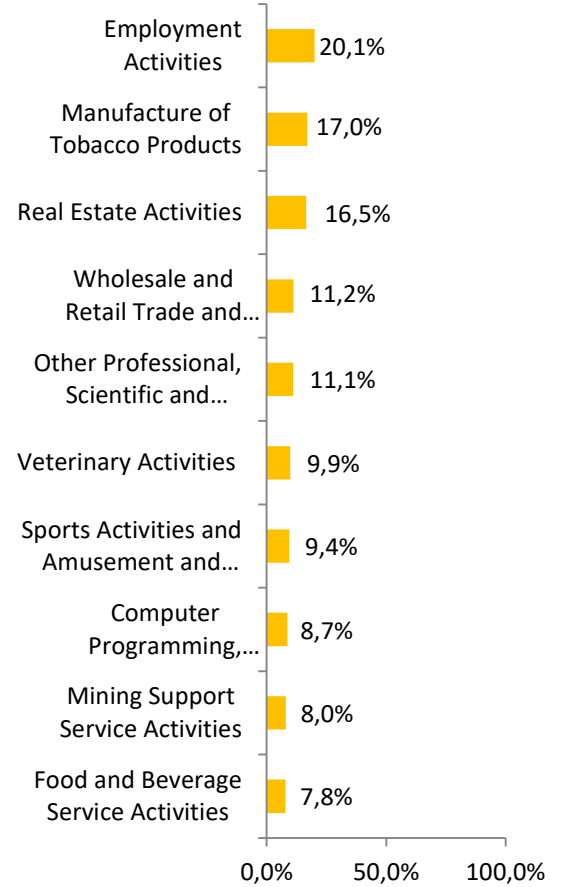
The number of companies operating throughout Turkey in August 2017 increased by 6,3 percent(108 thousand) compared to August 2016, to 1 million 825 thousand.

The highest increase took place in retail trade with 18 thousand in comparison to August 2016 followed by wholesale trade, construction of buildings, real estate activities, and food and beverage service activities sectors. Examining the percentage changes, employment activities increased by 20,1 percent in one year. This sector is followed by manufacture of tobacco products and real estate activities.

Table 2. Top 10 Sectors with the Largest Increase In the Number of Companies (August; 2017 - 2016)

Sectors	Annual Change*
Retail Trade	18.457
Wholesale Trade	9.065
Construction of Buildings	8.447
Real Estate Activities	8.247
Food and Beverage Service Activities	8.093
Wholesale and Retail Trade and Repair Of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	5.286
Land Transport and Transport via Pipelines	3.000
Specialised Construction Activities	2.434
Legal and Accounting Activities	2.419
Other Personal Service Activities	2.256
All Sectors	107.675

Figure 3. Top 10 Sectors with the Fastest Increase In the Number of Companies (August; 2017 - 2016)



* Seasonally unadjusted value
Sorted by annual change

Source: SGK, TEPAV

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The Number of Companies Increased in All Provinces

In August 2017, the number of companies increased in all provinces according to August 2016. In Turkey, the number of companies increased by 108 thousand (6,3 percent) in one year.

The largest increase took place in İstanbul (23 thousand), followed by İzmir, Ankara, Bursa and Antalya. The number of companies increased the fastest in Şırnak with 27,9 percent, followed by Mardin, Ardahan, Batman, Iğdır, and Bitlis.

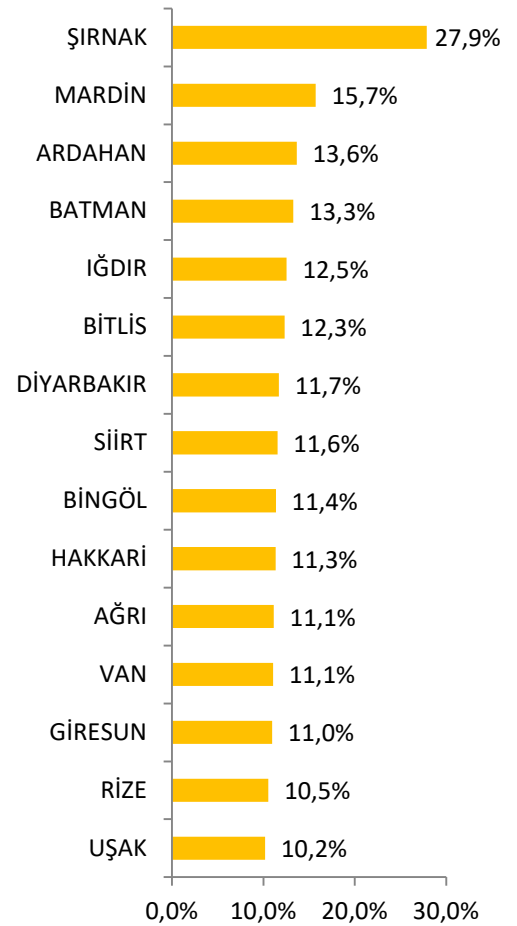
Table 3. Top 15 Provinces with the Largest Increase In the Number of Companies (August; 2017 - 2016)

Provinces	Annual Change*
İstanbul	23.013
İzmir	9.859
Ankara	8.147
Bursa	6.022
Antalya	5.781
Mersin	2.360
Kocaeli	2.273
Balıkesir	2.145
Konya	2.098
Adana	1.891
Muğla	1.816
Samsun	1.812
Manisa	1.716
Denizli	1.645
Tekirdağ	1.614
All Provinces	107.675

* Seasonally unadjusted value
Sorted by annual change

Source: SGK, TEPAV

Figure 4. Top 15 Provinces with the Fastest Increase In the Number of Companies (August; 2017 - 2016)



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The Number of SMEs Increased by 108 Thousand in a Year

Compared to August 2016, the number of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) increased by 108 thousand in August 2017, to 1 million 820 thousand.

In August 2017, the highest increase took place in İstanbul with 23 thousand, followed by İzmir, Ankara, Bursa and Antalya. Sector distribution of the data shows that the fastest increase took place in employment activities with 20 percent, followed by manufacture of tobacco products, real estate activities, and wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles sectors.

Table 4. Top 15 Provinces with the Largest Increase In the Number of SME (August; 2017 - 2016)

Provinces	Annual Change*
İstanbul	23.074
İzmir	9.868
Ankara	8.183
Bursa	6.030
Antalya	5.714
Mersin	2.359
Kocaeli	2.275
Balıkesir	2.147
Konya	2.107
Adana	1.889
Samsun	1.814
Muğla	1.812
Manisa	1.731
Denizli	1.657
Tekirdağ	1.607
All Provinces	107.775

* Seasonally unadjusted value
Sorted by annual change

Source: SGK, TEPAV

Figure 5. Top 15 Provinces with the Fastest Increase in the Number of SME (August; 2017 - 2016)



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