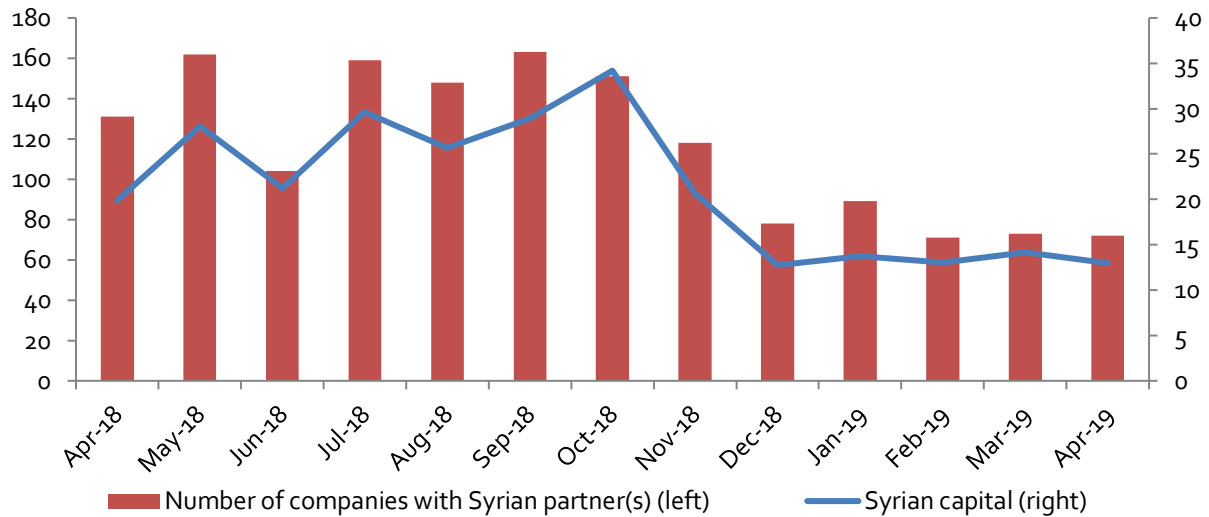


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In April 2019, the number of companies established with Syrian partner(s) decreased by 45 percent and the capital invested by the Syrian partner(s) decreased by 35 percent compared to the same period of the previous year

In April 2019, 72 companies with Syrian partner(s) were established and the amount of the Syrian capital was 13 million TL. This represented a decrease by 45 percent in the number of companies established with Syrian partner(s) and 34.6 percent decrease in the invested Syrian capital compared to April 2018. Compared to March 2019, the number of companies with Syrian partner(s) decreased by 1.4 percent and the decrease in the invested Syrian capital represented 8.2 percent.

Figure 1. Number of companies established with Syrian partner(s) and invested capital (TL million) (April 2018 - April 2019)



Source: TOBB, TEPAV

Companies established with Syrian partner(s) represented 7 percent of the total companies established with foreign partner(s)

In April 2019, there were 72 (6.6 percent) companies with Syrian partner(s) out of 1,098 companies established with foreign partner(s). The Syrian capital accounted for 5.9 percent of the total foreign capital.

Table 1. An overview of foreign capital companies established with Syrian partner(s) (April 2019)

Company Type	Number	Total Capital (Million TL)	Syrian Capital (Million TL)	Percentage of Syrian Capital (%)
Incorporated company	-	-	-	-
Limited Liability	72	17.4	13.0	74.5
Total	72	17.4	13.0	74.5

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

In April 2019, Istanbul had the highest number of companies established with Syrian partner(s). Istanbul was followed by Mersin, Hatay, Bursa, and Adana.

Table 2. Number of companies established with Syrian partner(s) by province (April 2019)

	Number	Total Capital (Thousand TL)	Syrian Partner(s) Capital (Thousand TL)
İstanbul	55	13,550	10,401
Mersin	14	2,975	2,319
Hatay	1	500	70
Bursa	1	100	50
Adana	1	300	150

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

In April 2019, the share of companies with Syrian partner(s) in foreign joint ventures was 34.1 percent in Mersin, 12.5 percent in Adana, and 8.1 percent in Istanbul.

Table 3. The ratio of companies with Syrian partner(s) to companies with foreign partner(s) by province (April 2019)

	Number of Companies with Syrian Partner(s)	Number of Companies with Foreign Partner(s)	Ratio (%)
Mersin	14	41	34.1
Adana	1	8	12.5
İstanbul	55	682	8.1
Bursa	1	29	3.4
Hatay	1	32	3.1

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

Sector wise, the highest number of companies with Syrian capital was established in the wholesale trade sector in April 2019.

Table 4. Sector breakdown of companies established with Syrian partner(s) (April 2019)

Description (Nace Rev. 2)	Number	Total Capital (Thousand TL)	Syrian Partner(s)' Capital (Thousand TL)
Wholesale trade	21	5,940	4,875
Real estate activities	12	3,150	1,970
Travel agency, tour operator reservation service and related activities	8	1,150	783
Retail trade	6	1,000	800
Rental and leasing activities	3	1,000	700
Construction of buildings	3	800	549
Manufacture of wearing apparel	2	400	350
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	1	1,000	1,000
Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	1	500	258
Manufacture of furniture	1	200	200
Land transport and transport via pipelines	1	200	200
Publishing activities	1	150	150
Activities of head offices; management consultancy activities	1	300	150
Security and investigation activities	1	150	150
Sports activities and amusement and recreation activities	1	300	150
Specialized construction activities	1	125	125
Food and beverage service activities	1	300	120
Warehousing and support activities for transportation	1	110	110
Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1	100	100
Manufacture of food products	1	150	50
Accommodation	1	150	50
Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis	1	100	50
Other professional, scientific and technical activities	1	100	50
Education	1	50	50

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

Companies with foreign partner(s') capital represented 13 percent of the total companies established in Turkey

According to data in April 2019, a total of 8,521 companies were established throughout Turkey. This represented a decrease by 31 percent compared to April 2018; and a decrease by 4.5 percent compared to March 2019.

The share of companies with foreign partner(s) to companies established in Turkey was 12.9 percent. When this ratio is analyzed by province, Karabük ranks first among the provinces with the highest share of companies with foreign partner(s). Karabük was followed by Hatay with 32.3 percent, Trabzon with 30 percent, and Mersin with 22.7 percent.

Table 5. Top 10 Provinces with the highest ratio of companies with foreign partner(s') capital to the total number of companies (April 2019)

Provinces	Number of established companies with foreign partner(s)	Share in established company (%)
Karabük	1	33.3
Hatay	32	32.3
Trabzon	12	30.0
Mersin	41	22.7
Yalova	4	19.0
Gaziantep	39	18.8
Kilis	3	18.8
İstanbul	682	18.5
Artvin	1	16.7
Iğdır	2	16.7
Total	1,098	12.9

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

The capital invested by foreign partner(s) to establish the companies represented 79 percent of the total capital

According to April 2019 data, 1,098 companies with foreign capital were established. The total capital of these companies was 276.4 million TL and 79.4 percent of it was foreign capital.

Table 6. An overview of companies established with capital invested by foreign partner(s) (April 2019)

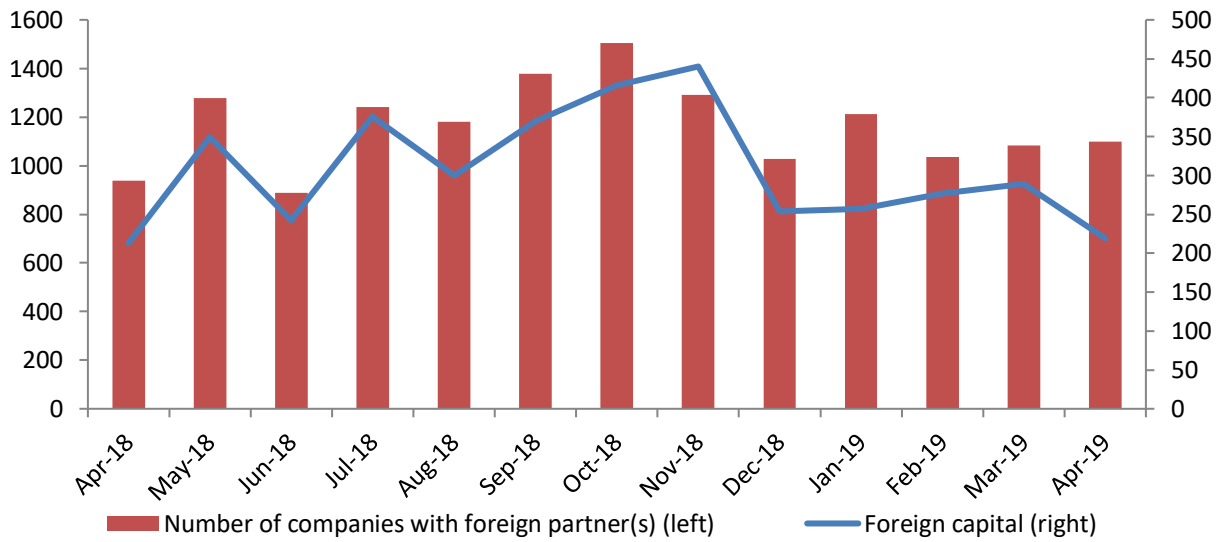
Company Type	Number	Total Capital (Million TL)	Foreign Partner(s') Capital (Million TL)	Percentage of Foreign Partner(s') Capital (%)
Incorporated company	102	43.7	27.0	61.9
Limited Liability	996	232.7	192.3	82.6
Total	1,098	276.4	219.4	79.4

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

Foreign partner(s') capital decreased by 70 million TL compared to the previous month

The number of companies with foreign capital in April 2019 increased by 17.1 percent compared to April 2018; and an increase of 1.5 percent compared to March 2019. Total foreign capital increased by 6 million TL (2.9 percent) compared to the previous year; and decreased by 70 million TL (24.2 percent) compared to previous month

Figure 2. Number of established companies with foreign partner(s) and foreign capital (TL million) (April 2018 - April 2019)



Source: TOBB, TEPAV

The number of companies with foreign capital has increased in Istanbul, Izmir, and Antalya compared to the same period of the previous year.

Table 7. Top 10 provinces with the highest increase in the number of established companies with foreign partner(s') capital (April 2019)

Provinces	Number of Established Companies April 2018	Number of Established Companies April 2019	Annual change	Total Capital (Thousand TL) April 2019	Foreign Partner(s') Capital (Thousand TL) April 2019
İstanbul	573	682	109	162,343	131,654
İzmir	10	37	27	7,624	5,170
Antalya	34	59	25	11,460	8,809
Ankara	36	48	12	8,340	6,617
Trabzon	3	12	9	6,600	5,153
Kayseri	2	9	7	920	634
Konya	5	9	4	3,210	2,590

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Aydın	2	6	4	1,280	1,215
Osmaniye	0	3	3	500	450
Muğla	8	11	3	1,320	1,219

Source: TOBB, TEPAV

When analyzed by sector, the highest number of companies with foreign capital was in the wholesale trade sector. While the total capital invested in this sector was 90.2 million TL, 83 percent of the total capital was foreign partner(s') capital.

Table 8. Sector breakdown of companies with foreign partner(s') capital (April 2019)

Description (Nace Rev. 2)	Number	Total Capital (Million TL)	Foreign Partner's Capital (Million TL)
Wholesale trade	376	90.2	74.9
Retail trade	93	18.5	15.8
Real estate activities	92	25.6	16.6
Food and beverage service activities	66	13.5	12.2
Construction of buildings	51	14.3	9.8
Travel agency, tour operator reservation service and related activities	46	10.5	8.5
Activities of head offices; management consultancy activities	43	6.9	5.3
Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	25	5.6	4.1
Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	21	5.4	4.5
Accommodation	19	4.5	3.1
Education	19	2.3	2.0
Manufacture of food products	17	10.3	9.3
Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis	13	0.9	0.7
Rental and leasing activities	12	5.4	5.0
Land transport and transport via pipelines	12	2.0	1.9
Other personal service activities	12	1.5	1.3

Source: TOBB, TEPAV