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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Population: 62,9 million (1997). Some 60 % of Turkey's population are below the age of 25. Turkey's average population density is 81 persons/sq.km. The density is greatest in the western part of the country. 41 % of the population lives in rural areas.

Capital: ANKARA (3,7 million inhabitants)

Main cities: Istanbul (9,1 million), Izmir (3,1 million), Adana (1,7 million), Bursa, (1,9 million), Konya (1,9 million), Antalya (1,5 million).

Administrative Provinces: Turkey is divided into 7 geographical regions and 80 administrative provinces.

State and Political Structure: The Turkish State is a Republic. The Parliament - Turkish Grand National Assembly (TGNA) comprises 550 members elected by universal suffrage.

The President of the Republic: Ahmet Necdet SEZER

Head of Government: R.Tayyip Erdogan

Official Language: Turkish

Currency: Turkish Lira (TL) April 21, 2006 - 1 USD = 1,32 TL 1 EURO = 1,62 TL

Local Time:

- GMT + 3 hours (April - September)
- GMT + 2 hours (October - March)

Public Holidays:

- January 1 - New Year's Day
- April 23 - National Sovereignty & Children's Day
- May 19 - Atatürk Commemoration and Youth & Sports Day
- August 30 - Victory Day
- October 29 - Republic Day
- Three days for Ramadan and four days for Kurban holidays depending on the Muslim calendar.

Weight and Measures: The metric system is in force.

Religion: 99 % Moslems. 1 % Jews and members of various Christian churches.