Turkey

**Official Title:** Republic of Turkey

**General Information:**

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<th>Capital</th>
<th>Ankara</th>
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<td>Population (million)</td>
<td>83.02</td>
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<td>Total Area</td>
<td>780,580 km²</td>
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<td>Currency</td>
<td>1 CAN$=4.31 New Lira (TRY) (2019 - Annual average)</td>
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<td>National Holiday</td>
<td>October 29, Proclamation of the Republic (1923)</td>
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<td>Language(s)</td>
<td>Turkish</td>
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**Political Information:**

**Type of State**  Republic  
**Type of Government**  Unicameral with a 600 seat Grand National Assembly. The Council of Ministers is appointed by the President. Administrative divisions: 81 provinces. Governing party: People’s Alliance [Coalition of Justice and Development Party (AKP) and Nationalist Movement Party (MHP), and Great Unity Party (BBP)].

**Head of State**  
President  
Recep Tayyip Erdoğan  

**Head of Government**  
President  
Recep Tayyip Erdoğan (AKP)  

**Ministers:**  
Foreign Affairs: Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu (AKP)  
Treasury and Finance: Berat Albayrak (AKP)  
Defence: Hulusi Akar  

**Main Political Parties**  
People’s Alliance [Coalition of Justice and Development Party (AKP), Nationalist Movement Party (MHP), and Great Unity Party (BBP)]; Nation Alliance [Republican People’s Party (CHP), Good Party (İYİ), Felicity Party (SP), Democratic Party (DP)]; Peoples’ Democratic Party (HDP); Turkish Workers’ Party (TİP).

Grand National Assembly: AKP (290), CHP (139), HDP (62), MHP (49), İYİ (39), SP (2), TİP (2), DP (1), BBP (1), Independents (4). 11 Seats vacant.

**Elections:**  

**Economic Information: (2019)**  

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<td>GDP (billion)</td>
<td>$978.56</td>
<td>$2,277.52</td>
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<td>GDP per capita</td>
<td>$11,786.70</td>
<td>$60,806.37</td>
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<td>GDP Growth rate (%)</td>
<td>0.94</td>
<td>1.64</td>
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<td>Inflation (%)</td>
<td>15.18</td>
<td>1.95</td>
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<td>Unemployment (%)</td>
<td>13.71</td>
<td>5.67</td>
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**Product Trade and Investment: (2019)**

- **Canadian Exports:** $1,617,884,221  
- **Canadian Imports:** $1,964,255,862  
- **Foreign Direct Investment in Canada (2018):** $-2 (million)  
- **Canadian Direct Investment in country (2018):** $596 (million)

**Representative:**

**Foreign Representation in Canada**  
Ambassador Kerim Uras  

**Canadian Representation Abroad**  
Ambassador-designate Jamal Khokhar  

Sources:  
Statistics/Industry Canada  
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IMF  