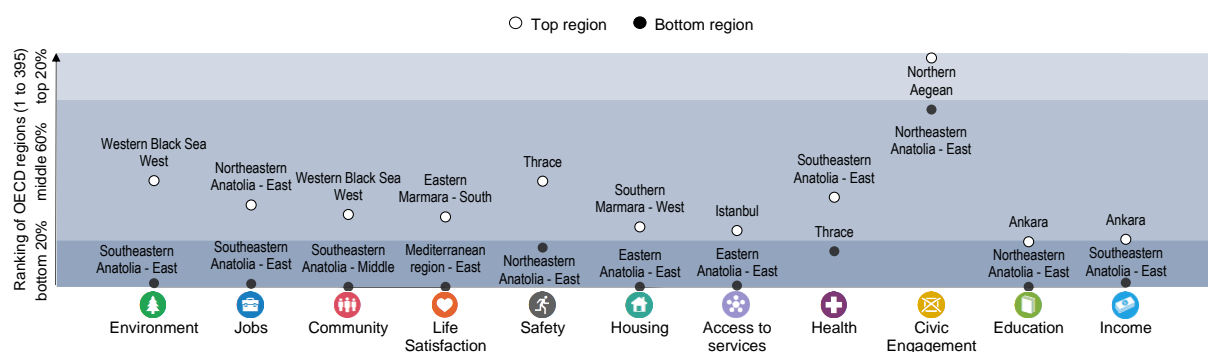


REGIONAL WELL-BEING IN OECD COUNTRIES: TURKEY

All Turkish regions rank in the top 30% of the OECD regions in the civic engagement dimension, due to a compulsory voting system. Large regional disparities are found in environment, jobs, community, life satisfaction and safety. In 8 out of the 11 well-being dimensions, Turkey has at least one region that ranks in the bottom 5% of the OECD regional ranking: these are environment, jobs, community, life satisfaction, housing, access to services, education and income.

Relative performance of Turkish regions by well-being dimension














Note: Relative ranking of the regions with the best and worst outcomes in the 11 well-being dimensions, with respect to all 395 OECD regions. The eleven dimensions are ordered by decreasing regional disparities in the country. Each well-being dimension is measured by the indicators in the table below.

Source: OECD Regional Well-Being Database: www.oecdregionalwellbeing.org

The high performing Turkish regions fare better than the OECD average in unemployment rate, voters in the last national election and homicide rate. In the high performing regions, 51% of the labour force has at least a secondary degree, 23 percentage points below the OECD average and life expectancy at birth is 78 years, almost 2 years less than the OECD average.

How do the top and bottom regions in Turkey fare on the well-being indicators?

	Turkish regions		Country average	OECD average
	Top 20%	Bottom 20%		
 Environment Level of air pollution in PM 2.5 (µg/m³), 2013	11.7	20.5	15.7	10.4
 Jobs Employment rate (%), 2014	56.2	39.7	49.6	66.3
Unemployment rate (%), 2014	5.4	16.2	9.9	8.6
 Community Perceived social support network (%), average 2006-14	86.6	67.8	76.0	88.9
 Life satisfaction Self-evaluation of life satisfaction (scale from 0 to 10), average 2006-14	5.9	4.7	5.3	6.7
 Safety Homicide Rate (per 100 000 people), 2013	1.8	3.3	2.3	3.4
 Housing Rooms per person, 2013	1.1	0.7	1.0	1.8
 Access to services Households with broadband access (%), 2014	63.0	27.1	46.0	69.8
 Health Life Expectancy at birth (years), 2013	78.0	75.8	77.0	79.7
Age-adjusted mortality rate (per 1 000 people), 2013	8.4	9.9	9.2	8.4
 Civic engagement Voters in last national election (%), 2015	89.9	83.1	87.3	68.1
 Education Labour force with at least upper secondary education (%), 2014	51.4	26.3	40.0	74.3
 Income Disposable income per capita (in USD PPP), 2013	7 798	3 137	5 779	17 916

Note: Data in the first two columns refer to average values of top and bottom regions of national ranking and until the equivalent of 20% of the national population is reached.

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