



## **SCREENING CHAPTER 22**

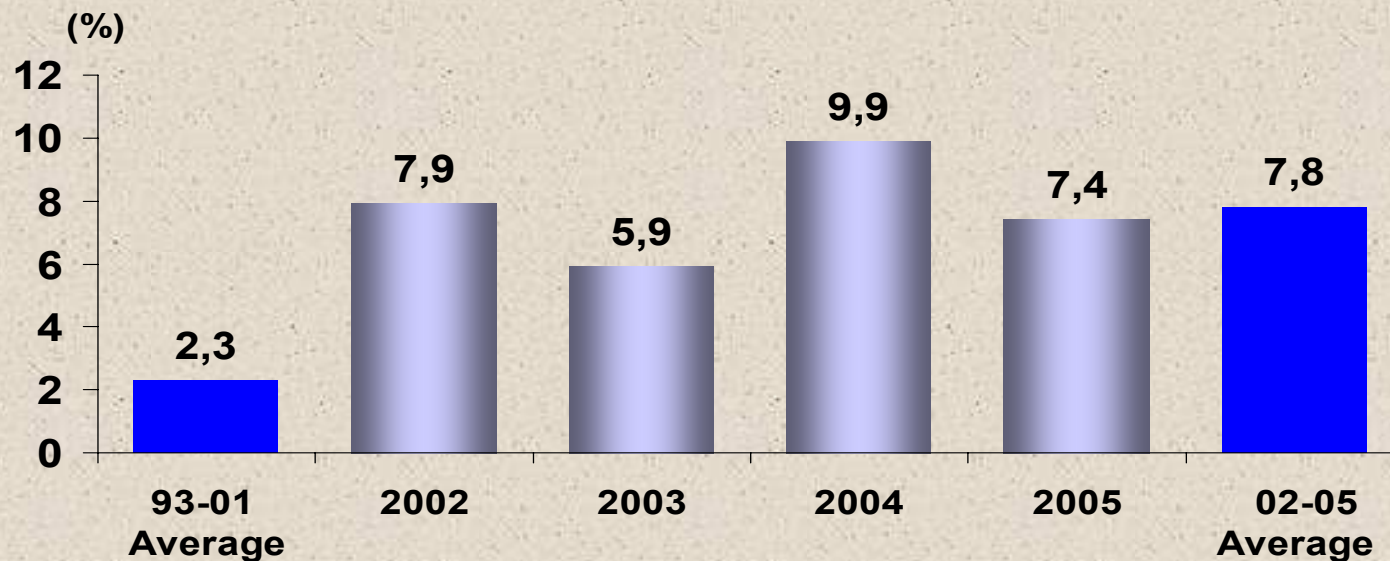
# **REGIONAL POLICY AND COORDINATION OF STRUCTURAL INSTRUMENTS**

## **INTRODUCTION**

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## Turkish economy;

- made a considerable progress in terms of structural transformation, competitiveness, integration into the international markets
- achieved recently a long-term economic growth performance.



This robust growth performance :

- reduces the gap between Turkish and EU per capita income
- increases the resources to be used for investments to ameliorate internal income disparities.

Challenge:

- sustaining high growth performance while strengthening internal cohesion

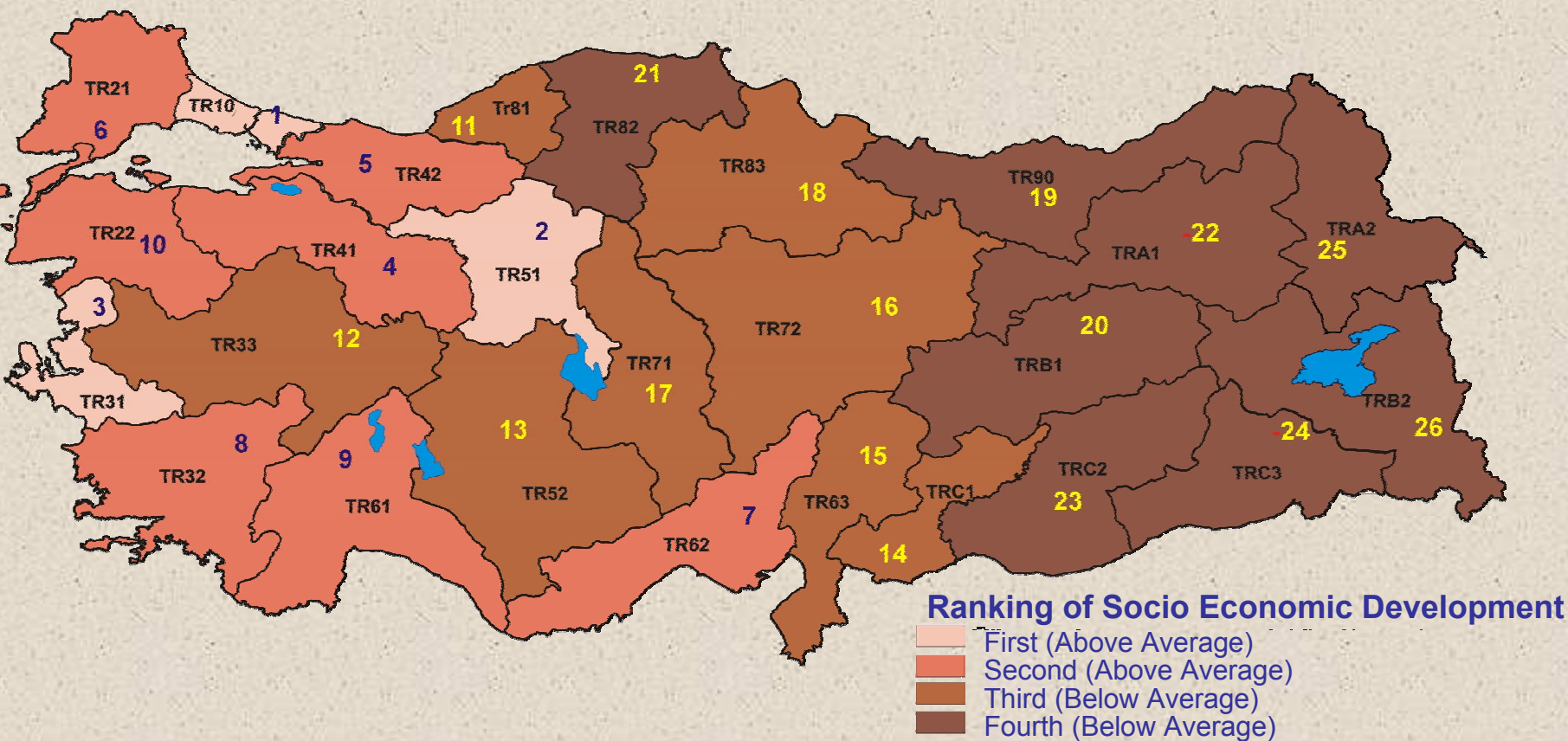
Acc. to purchasing power parity (EU 25=100))

Most Developed 10 Regions in EU			Least Developed 10 Regions in EU		
1	Inner London (UK)	315	1	Lubelskie (PL)	32
2	Bruxelles-Capitale (BE)	235	2	Podkarpackie (PL)	33
3	Luxembourg	213	3	Warmi ńsko-Mazurskie (PL)	34
4	Hamburg (DE)	188	4	Podlaskie (PL)	35
5	Île de France (FR)	176	5	Swietokrzyskie (PL)	36
6	Wien (AT)	173	6	Észak Magyarország (HU)	37
7	Berkshire, Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire	162	7	Opolskie (PL)	37
8	Provincia Autonoma Bolzano (IT)	160	8	Eszag-Alföld (HU)	38
9	Stockholm (SE)	158	9	Východné Slovensko (SK)	39
10	Oberbayern (DE)	158	10	Latvia	39
11	TR42 (Kocaeli, Bolu, Sakarya, Yalova, Düzce)	53	11	TRB2 (Van, Muş, Bitlis, Hakkari)	10





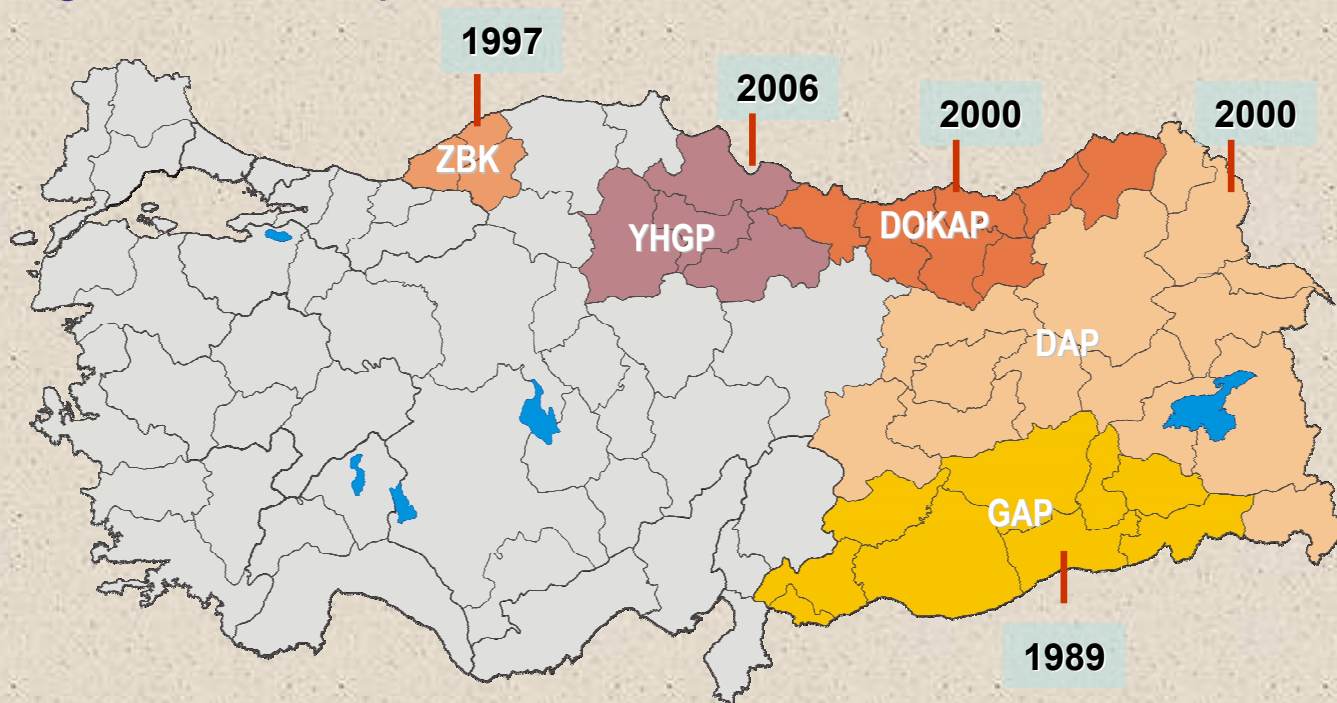
- Regional disparities and inequalities still persist as one of the main problems.





## Policies and Tools of Regional Policy

- Development Plans
- Priority Regions for Development
- Organized Industry Zone and Small Industry Estates
- Investment Incentives (Sectoral, Regional)
- Regional Development Plans



## Regional Policy and Structural Instruments

There are important transformations in terms of regional policy and structural instruments:

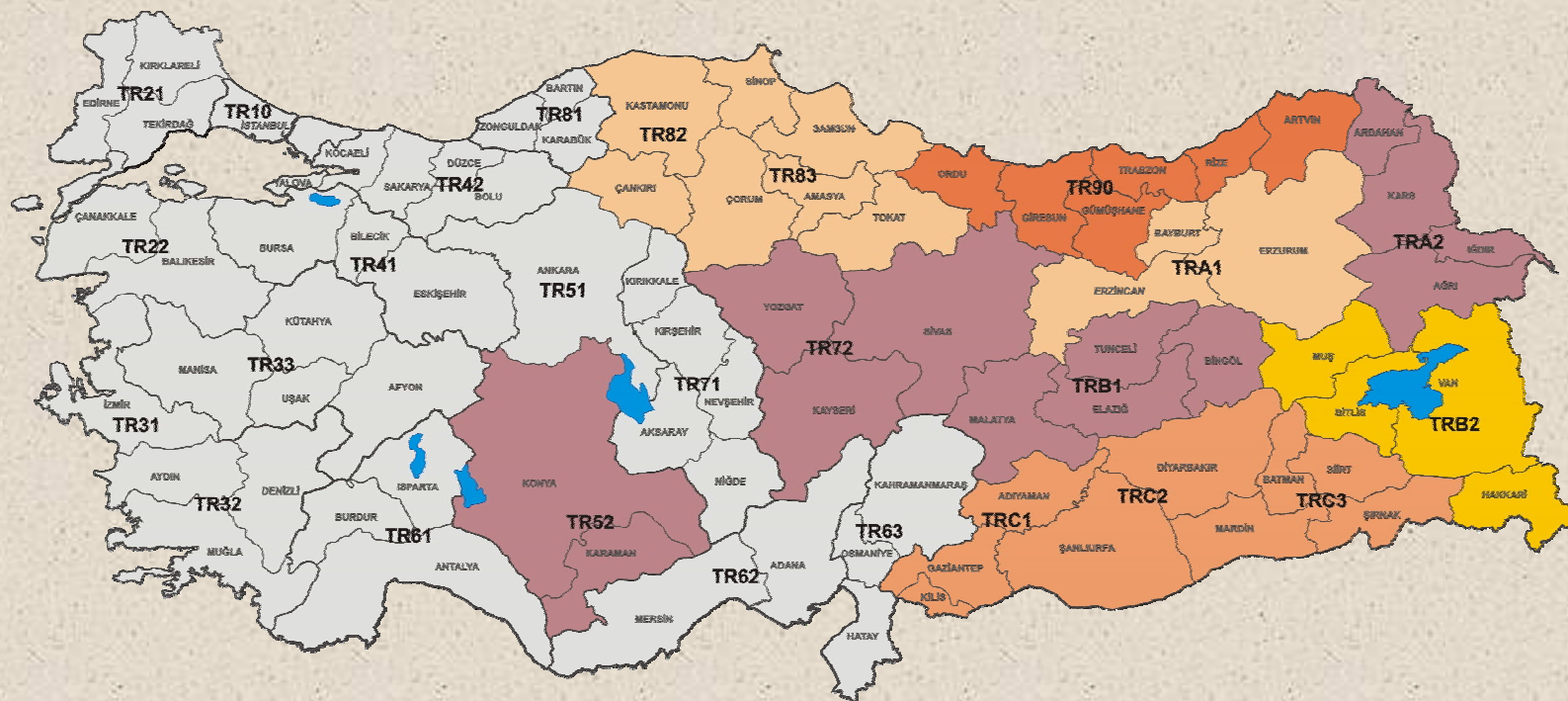
- Adjustment of Turkish regional policy to the EU,
- Public financial management reform (since 2003),
- Local administrations reform (since 2004),
- Constantly Developing Institutional Framework
  - Central Authorities
  - Regional / Local levels
- IPA: an important tool for adjustment to current EU regional policy

## Regional Policy in EU Accession

- Definition of NUTS levels
  - NUTS II main territorial level for Regional Development Plans and Programmes and the establishment of the DAs.
- New vision for programming
  - Preliminary National Development Plan 2004-2006
  - Regional Development Strategy at National Level 2004-2006
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Development Plan
- Improving operational dimension of the regional policy
  - Regional Development Programmes (12 NUTS II Region)
- Coordinating bottom-up development initiatives
  - Development Agencies



# EU Regional Development Programmes



**Content** : 12 NUTS II, 42 NUTS III  
**Budget** : 259 M € (220 M€ EU, 39 M€ National Contribution)

## Main Actors

### SPO (Undersecretariat and High Planning Council)

- Long term vision, strategic framework
- Investment planning
- Policy design and analysis including regional policy
- Coordination

### Undersecretariat of Treasury

- NAO, NF, DIS Audit Body, CFCU
- Co-financing

### Ministry of Finance

- Budget planning and coordination
- Financial management and control/ PIFC/ CHUs
- Fiscal policy
- Accounting, financial information (electronic)

### DAs and MAs



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