

SCREENING WITH TURKEY

NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF ISSUES AND QUESTIONS TO FACILITATE PREPARATIONS FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS

FLOWERS AND PLANTS SECTOR

Answers for the questions are given as below.

1. Production statistics

Can you provide figures for the open air production and the glasshouse or tunnel production: type of production, region and season production, acreage, quantity?

Production statistics are given in the Annex I-A for Ornamental Plants Production Regions By Provinces and Annex I-B for Production Areas By Regions and Annex II for Ornamental Plants Planting By Species.

2. Quality standards

Did you define quality standards for national production? If yes, which ones?

The standards used in Turkey are given in Table 1. These standards cover classification, characteristics, sampling, inspection and market supply (packaging, marking, storage, transport).

Table 1. Quality Standards

TS 3714: Roses (Cut flowers)
TS 3715: Chrysanthemums (Cut Flower)
TS 3716: Mimosa (Cut Flowering Bunches)
TS 3717: Carnations (Cut Flowers)
TS 3718: Cut Foliage
TS 3719 : Asparagus (Cut Foliage)
TS 3744: Gladioli (Cut Flowers)
TS 3745: Stelitsyas (Bird of Paradise)(Cut Flowers)
TS 2262: Cut Flowers
TS 2265: Coniferous seedlings
TS 2547: Flower Bulbs
TS 5297: Ornamental Trees and Shrubs-Nomenclature

TS 11213 : Safflower Flowers
TS 10180: The rules for the arrangement herbarium of sporophyte species
*TS 11282: The Ornamental Plants Sales Places-Inner Department-General Rules
*Minimum obligatory standards relate to internal sales locations for indoor ornamental plants.

3. Is there a system of aid for production and/or for marketing?

There is no specific support scheme for floriculture producers. The support schemes, which are also valid for floriculture producers, are explained in the Questionnaire on General provisions, the Single Payment Scheme, coupled aid schemes and the Integrated Administration and Control System (IACS).

Also, structural support is given through Ziraat Bank and Agriculture and Credit Cooperatives details of the general scheme is explained in the Questionnaire on State Aids. In this regard, a maximum limit of 142.000 EUR credit for the growers is in applied. In the framework of the Project prepared by farms and as approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA), 30 % discounted operation credit for 1 year and investment credit for 3 years are used.

4. Is research and promotion financed by public funds?

In Turkey, 90 % of agricultural researches are financed by MARA and Universities. A total of 1.302.000 EUR is paid for researches about plants (including floriculture by share of 10 %) annually.

5. Are there specific arrangements for trade with third countries?

About quality, minimum entry prices, customs duties, safeguards clause.

There is no special arrangement for minimum entry prices and safeguard clause with the third countries. These products are subject to the SPS controls by the MARA.

Custom tariffs with third countries are given in the table below.

			RATE OF DUTY (%)			
		EU and			BOS-HER Z.	Other
		EFTA	RO	MAC		Count.
Code	Description					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0601	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant, in growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots other than roots of heading 1212:					
0601 10	- Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant:					

0601 10 10 00	-- Hyacinths	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 10 20 00	-- Narcissi	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 10 30 00	-- Tulips	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 10 40 00	-- Gladioli	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
	-- Other :					
0601 10 90 10	--- Other bulbs	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 10 90 90	--- Other	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 20	- Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, in growth					
	or in flower; chicory plants and roots:					
0601 20 10 00	-- Chicory plants and roots	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 20 30 00	-- Orchids, hyacinths, narcissi and tulips	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
	-- Other :					
0601 20 90 10	--- Other bulbs	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0601 20 90 90	--- Other	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	6.3
0602	Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn:					
0602 10	- Unrooted cuttings and slips:					
0602 10 10 00	-- Of vines	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 10 90 00	-- Other	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 20	- Trees, shrubs and bushes, grafted or not, of kinds which bear edible fruit					
	or nuts:					
0602 20 10 00	-- Vine slips, grafted or rooted	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 20 90 00	-- Other	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0602 30 00 00	- Rhododendrons and azaleas, grafted or not	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 40	- Roses, grafted or not:					
0602 40 10 00	-- Neither budded nor grafted	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 40 90 00	-- Budded or grafted	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 90	- Other:					
0602 90 10 00	-- Mushroom spawn	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 90 20 00	-- Pineapple plants	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 90 30 00	-- Vegetable and strawberry plants	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
	-- Other:					
	--- Outdoor plants:					
	---- Trees, shrubs and bushes:					
0602 90 41 00	----- Forest trees	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
	----- Other:					
0602 90 45 00	----- Rooted cuttings and young plants	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 90 49 00	----- Other	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
	---- Other outdoor plants:					
0602 90 51 00	----- Perennial plants	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
0602 90 59 00	----- Other	2.4	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
	--- Indoor plants:					
0602 90 70 00	---- Rooted cuttings and young plants, excluding cacti	3.9	3.9	3.9	0	3.9
	---- Other:					
0602 90 91 00	----- Flowering plants with buds or flowers, excluding cacti	19.5	19.5	19.5	0	19.5

0602 90 99 00	- - - - Other	19.5	19.5	19.5	0	19.5
0603	Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared:					
0603 10	- Fresh:					
0603 10 10 00	- - Roses	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 10 20 00	- - Carnations	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 10 30 00	- - Orchids	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 10 40 00	- - Gladioli	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 10 50 00	- - Chrysanthemums	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 10 80 00	- - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0603 90 00 00	- Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8

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0604	Foliage, branches and other parts of plants, without flowers or flower buds, and grasses, mosses and lichens, being goods of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared:					
0604 10	- Mosses and lichens:					
0604 10 10 00	- - Reindeer moss	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 10 90 00	- - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
	- Other:					
0604 91	- - Fresh:					
	- - - Christmas trees:					
0604 91 21 00	- - - - Nordmann's firs (Abies nordmanniana (Stev.) Spach) and noble firs (Abies procera Rehd.)	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 91 29 00	- - - - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
	- - - Conifer branches:					
0604 91 41 00	- - - - Of Nordmann's firs (Abies nordmanniana (Stev.) Spach) and of noble firs (Abies procera Rehd.)	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 91 49 00	- - - - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 91 90 00	- - - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 99	- - Other:					
0604 99 10 00	- - - Not further prepared than dried	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
0604 99 90 00	- - - Other	46.8	46.8	46.8	0	46.8
⁽¹⁾ From 1st. of November to 31st. of May, the customs duty is applied as %16,5						

Turkey's preferential import arrangements are as follows:

THE EUROPEAN UNION (Turkey-EU Association Council Decision No. 1/1998)			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0601	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant, in growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots other than roots of heading no.1212	200 tons	0
ex 0602 90 (0602 90 91 excluded)	Live plants, other	3,400 tons	0
0603 10	Cut flowers etc., fresh	100 tons	0
0604	Foliage, branch, and other parts of plants, without flowers or flower buds, and grasses, mosses and lichens, being goods of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared	100 tons	0

TURKEY-BULGARIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0601 20	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, in growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots	10 t	0
0602 20	Trees, shrubs and bushes, grafted or not, of kinds which bear edible fruits or nuts (excluding 0602 20 10)	10 t	0
0602 40	Roses, grafted or not	4,000 pcs.	0
0602 90	Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slip; mushrooms spawn (excluding 0602 90 30)	700 t	0

TURKEY-ROMANIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0601	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant, in growth or in flower; chicory plants and roots other than roots of heading no.1212	75 t	0
0602 90	Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips, mushroom spawn	50 t	50

TURKEY-SYRIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0603	Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared	15 t	0

MOROCCO TURKEY-MOROCCO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0602	Other live plants (including roots)	50t	0
0603 10 30	Orchids	5t	24%

All floriculture products originating in Bosnia and Herzegovina are subject to a concession of % 0 duty on unlimited basis within Turkey-Bosnia and Herzegovina Free Trade Agreement.

Turkey's preferential export arrangements are as follows:

THE EUROPEAN UNION			
The floriculture products under Chapter 06 originating in Turkey are subject to ad valorem duty exemption in accordance with Turkey-EU Association Council Decision No. 1/1998.			

TURKEY-BULGARIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0603 10	Flowers	50 ton	28%

TURKEY-MOROCCO FREE TRADE AGREEMENT			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0601 10	Bulbs, tubers, tuberous roots, corms, crows and rhizoms	20 ton	10%

TURKEY-EFTA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (SWITZERLAND)			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0603.10.11	Carnations, fresh	ul	0
	1 May- 25 October		
0603.10.12	Roses, fresh	ul	0
	1 May- 25 October		

TURKEY-EFTA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NORWAY)			
CN CODE	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA	DUTY
0603	Cut flowers	ul	0

6. Joining the EU : what does it mean for the sector in your country?

This sector is deemed important with its high production and export potential, and the integration of this sector with the EU practices is expected to be easy. By the arrangement of ornamental plant production suitable for the supply and demand, ornamental plant production will be stabilised. Also with the decrease of the production costs and stabilisation of producer prices, marketing will be in order.

The possibility of competition in the international market will increase related to the production standards and diversity in production.