



PMI ticks up to 47.8 in August

August 2024 Key findings:

- New orders moderate for fourteenth month in a row
- Production scaled back to largest extent since November 2022
- · Selling price inflation quickens to four-month high

Summary

Subdued demand conditions remained a feature of the Turkish manufacturing sector midway through the third quarter of the year. Although new orders softened to a lesser extent than in July, the pace of moderation was still solid and led firms to scale back output, employment and purchasing activity. Moreover, stocks of inputs were reduced to the largest degree in just over a year. Meanwhile, input costs continued to rise sharply and manufacturers increased their output prices at a faster pace than in the previous month.

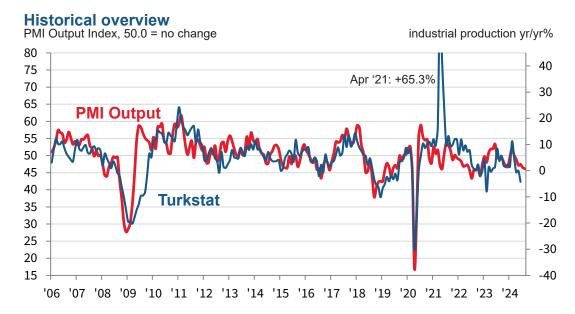
The headline Istanbul Chamber of Industry Türkiye Manufacturing PMI® is a composite single-figure indicator of manufacturing performance. It is derived from indicators for new orders, output, employment, suppliers' delivery times and stocks of purchases.

Any figure greater than 50.0 indicates overall improvement of the sector.

The headline PMI posted 47.8 in August, up from 47.2 in July but still signalling a moderation in the health of the sector during the month. Business conditions have softened continuously since April.

Challenging market conditions led to a further softening of new orders in August, the fourteenth in as many months. The rate of moderation was solid, despite easing to the weakest since May. The picture for international demand was more positive, with new export orders returning to growth for the first time since June 2023.

With overall demand conditions remaining subdued, firms scaled back their production, employment



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and purchasing activity in August. Price pressures exacerbated the slowdown in production, which was the most pronounced since November 2022.

Input costs continued to rise at a marked pace, albeit one that was slightly softer than in July. Currency weakness was the principal factor leading to higher input prices, while there were also reports of increases in costs for raw materials and logistics.

In response to higher input costs, manufacturers raised their own selling prices. Moreover, the rate of inflation quickened for the second month running to the fastest since April.

Manufacturers displayed a reluctance to hold inventories at a time of subdued new orders, reducing their holdings of both purchases and finished goods during August. Furthermore, the drop in stocks of purchases was the strongest since July 2023.

Comment

Commenting on the Istanbul Chamber of Industry Türkiye Manufacturing PMI survey data, Andrew Harker, Economics Director at S&P Global Market Intelligence, said:

"Turkish manufacturers again struggled to generate new order growth during August, despite some encouraging signs with regards to exports. The subdued overall demand picture led to further scaling back of production, employment and purchasing, with firms also showing a reluctance to hold inventories. Hopefully, the nascent recovery in exports seen in August will solidify in the months ahead and spread more widely to help the sector move into recovery mode."



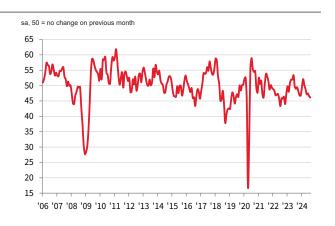




Output Index

Q. Please compare your production/output this month with the situation one month ago.

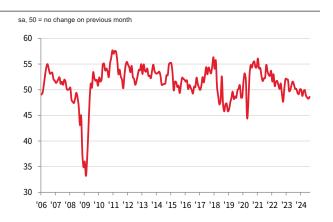
As has been the case in each month since April, Turkish manufacturing production softened during August. Moreover, the solid moderation in output was the most pronounced in 21 months. Challenging economic conditions, rising prices and weak demand were the main factors leading firms to scale back production.



Employment Index

Q. Please compare the level of employment at your unit this month with the situation one month ago.

Turkish manufacturers continued to scale back employment in August, thereby extending the current sequence of reduction to seven months. Some firms reported that softer new orders led them to moderate workforce numbers, while others mentioned resignations. Staffing levels softened to a modest extent, and one that was the least marked in three months.



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August data were collected 12-22 August 2024.

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