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BOVINE MEAT AND OTHER MEATS

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A. Production: production measures and policies

A.1. Statistical data on total volume of production

PRODUCTION OF MEAT IN TURKEY
 (in tons)

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Bovine	78,920	75,460	79,310
Ovine	64,970	61,400	64,270
Pigmeat	190	187	217
TOTAL	<u>144,080</u>	<u>137,047</u>	<u>143,797</u>

A.2. Trends in production and estimates for 1970

See A.5.

A.3. Statistical data on carry-over stocks and stockpiles

A.4. Factors which affect production

A.5. Policies and measures of governments or other bodies likely to influence production, other than those listed under B

One of the objectives of Turkey's Five-Year Development Plan is to increase per caput consumption of meat. At the present time consumption of proteins in general and of meat in particular is very low, and cereals are by far the most important item in the diet of the population, particularly of the rural population. The Government is therefore endeavouring to modify these food habits.

Provision is made under the Plan for these objectives to be achieved by means of a substantial increase in production, and in particular by improved yield per head of livestock, although a modest increase in the total herd is also envisaged.

This increased productivity is to be achieved by improving the quality of grazing land, developing feed grains and other animal feeding stuffs, and improving stock so as to attain a higher carcass weight.

B. Protection and support measures and policies

B.I. Internal support measures and policies

B.I.1. Inventory of the instruments of support

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B.I.2. Levels of guaranteed prices or support prices

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B.I.3. Amount of producer subsidies

There are no direct subsidies to producers. Government assistance consists in making pedigree stock available to farmers, combatting diseases through the veterinary service of the Ministry of Agriculture, and developing high-yield feeding stuffs.

B.I.4. Average returns to producers

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B.I.5. Method of determining returns for producers

Prices of livestock and meat in the internal market are established according to the law of supply and demand.

B.II. Measures at the frontier

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C. Consumption and internal prices

C.1. Statistical data on consumption

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C.2. Trends in consumption and estimates for 1970

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C.3. Retail and wholesale prices on major internal markets

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C.4. Factors which condition the evolution of internal consumption

See A.5.

C.5. Policies and measures affecting consumption

See A.5.

D. International trade and prices

D.1. Statistical data on the volume and value of exports, by source and destination

The self-sufficiency ratio is in excess of 100 per cent: Turkey is an exporter of livestock and meat, though to a very moderate degree.

Exports are mainly to traditional markets which are all in fact in neighbouring countries - such as Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, the USSR and Kuwait.

TURKEY'S EXPORTS OF MEAT

	1965		1966		1967	
	Head	LT'000	Head	LT'000	Head	LT'000
	Bovine					
Kuwait	34	17.9	654	208.2	-	-
Libya	647	314.3	-	-	39	56.0
Lebanon	58,832	29,736.1	37,639	17,361.8	40,549	24,437.3
United Arab Republic	224	131.9	-	-	-	-
USSR	32,412	30,647.4	15,184	15,427.8	47	34.1
Syria	3,397	1,490.9	4,881	2,087.8	3,549	1,929.7
Jordan	804	370.0	609	290.8	266	180.8
Greece	1,853	1,018.2	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	98,203	63,726.7	58,967	35,376.4	44,450	26,637.9
US\$'000	-	7,080.7	-	3,930.7	-	2,959.7
	Ovine					
Iraq	-	-	70	18.6	-	-
Iran	198	39.7	-	-	6,202	1,432.9
Kuwait	9,778	1,573.5	-	-	9,533	1,687.7
Libya	6,031	1,283.1	-	-	5,762	1,149.1
Lebanon	317,536	49,300.6	115,426	15,931.5	125,264	19,886.7
United Arab Republic	1,980	350.9	-	-	-	-
Syria	85,930	9,258.8	80,914	9,601.0	49,399	7,349.7
Jordan	20,341	2,864.4	16,770	2,152.0	11,142	1,748.8
TOTAL	441,794	64,671.0	213,180	27,703.1	207,302	33,254.9
US\$'000	-	7,185.6	-	3,078.1	-	3,695.0

TURKEY'S EXPORTS OF MEAT (Cont'd)

	1965		1966		1967	
	Head	LT'000	Head	LT'000	Head	LT'000
	Total					
Bovine	98,203	63,726.7	58,967	35,376.4	44,450	26,637.9
Ovine	441,794	64,671.0	213,180	27,703.1	207,302	33,254.9
TOTAL	539,997	128,397.7	272,147	63,079.5	251,752	59,892.8
US\$'000	-	14,266.3	-	7,008.8	-	6,654.7

D.2. Levels of export prices prevailing in various markets:
Levels of import prices

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D.3. Export aid measures and policies

There are no government aids to exports; these are carried out by a private organization, the Union of Livestock Exporters, which organizes exports.

The Turkish authorities are at present endeavouring to develop exports of meat rather than of livestock. To this end, various important installations such as modern slaughterhouses and cold storage warehouses are being set up, in particular with assistance from a specialized State economic enterprise. It is hoped that these measures will result in increased exports of fresh chilled and frozen meat. It is expected that these exports will be towards neighbouring markets, and none of these countries is a contracting party to GATT.

D.4. Description of bilateral agreements affecting imports or exports

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