

THE EBRD IN TURKEY

Sustainable infrastructure

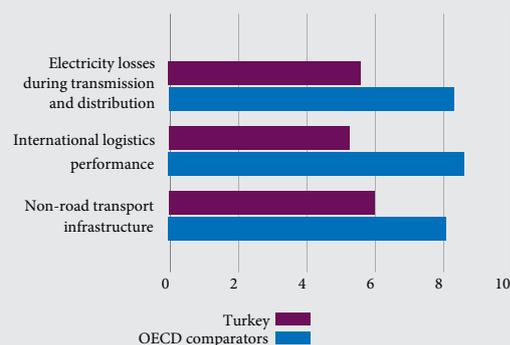
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Turkey faces large infrastructure needs. The share of people living in urban areas is expected to increase from 70 per cent in 2018 to 80 per cent by 2030. Investment is particularly required in the municipal infrastructure sector, in areas such as water, wastewater and public transport. At the national level, more investment (for example, in roads, railways, ports and telecommunications) is required to cement Turkey's status as a regional transit hub to support regional convergence. Moreover, the country's healthcare infrastructure is lagging behind the rise in demand and in need of both infrastructural and efficiency upgrades to provide better service.

EBRD score (1-worst, 10-best)



How we work

We focus on supporting the commercialisation of key municipal utilities and on the mobilisation of private capital for the development of road, ports, airports, hospitals, railways and the like to reduce their dependence on public finance. We help cities to address their most pressing environmental challenges through targeted sustainable infrastructure investment, policy and capacity building through the Bank's flagship programme, EBRD Green Cities. We have also pioneered public-private partnerships for Turkish hospitals and facilities management services provided by the private sector.

In numbers

€2.3 billion

Net cumulative EBRD investment in sustainable infrastructure

€295 million

Net cumulative EBRD investment in the transport sector

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EBRD GREEN CITIES

EBRD Green Cities offers more than €2.5 billion of EBRD and donor support to cities in the EBRD economies to address their most pressing environmental challenges through targeted investment, policy actions and capacity building. For eligible cities in Turkey, this includes dedicated funds from the Clean Technology Fund (CTF).

Achievements and results: Sustainable infrastructure

We helped improve urban, water and electricity infrastructure by:

- ▶ increasing access to urban transport, including the metros in Istanbul and Izmir and CNG* buses in Gaziantep
- ▶ encouraging private-sector participation in the water and solid waste sector (the Hatay water project and Canakkale solid-waste PPP), and improving water, wastewater and solid-waste facilities in a number of cities
- ▶ increasing access to electricity, including by financing grid expansion in Anatolia with the International Finance Corporation and the Dutch Entrepreneurial Development Bank (FMO)
- ▶ addressing key environmental challenges through a tailored Green City Action Plan (GCAP) in Izmir as part of EBRD Green Cities.

We promoted the modernisation of infrastructure by:

- ▶ improving connectivity between Europe and Asia by financing the Bosphorus tunnel in Istanbul and increasing capacity in maritime logistics (for example, Izmir Ferries, AsyaPort, Tekirdag Port, Mersin Port)
- ▶ helping liberalise the railway sector on an ongoing basis, including advice on railway-sector restructuring
- ▶ providing financing and advice to pioneer PPPs to expand hospitals under a €950 million PPP framework.
- ▶ improving the energy efficiency of public buildings together with the Ministry of National Education.

Improved transport

Some 130,000 daily passengers have greater access to transport via the EBRD-financed Izmir Metro.

Water efficiency

EBRD projects are associated with an estimated 8 million m³ of water savings every year.

Access to electricity

Around 2.7 million people have benefited from an improved electricity grid, financed by the EBRD.

Sustainable cities

Izmir developed a GCAP, identifying investments and policy actions to improve its environmental performance. The GCAP was approved by the City's Municipal Council.



See how the EBRD contributed to less congestion and pollution for Izmir, Turkey's third-largest city, by financing the expansion of its transport network with new, green and faster metro trains and car ferries.

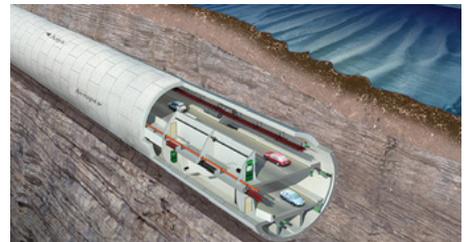


Improved infrastructure

Around 35,000 car drivers have benefited from a faster, fuel-saving commute every day through the new EBRD-backed Bosphorus tunnel.

Value for money

The EBRD's best-practice value-for-money methodology, used by the Ministry of Health, is being replicated across sectors to make projects more cost effective.



See how the EBRD-financed Bosphorus tunnel transformed Istanbul, connecting Europe and Asia.



* compressed natural gas