

YASED Investors' Expectation Index

YASED Investors' Expectation Index, compiled from YASED Barometer Survey and announced for the first time on March 10, 2010 along with the results of the first Barometer Survey of 2010. The Index is compiled from data composed of the answers to specific questions in Barometer Survey since 2002.

YASED Barometer Survey is being conducted since 1999 regularly every 6 months among YASED members to feel their pulse regarding the investment environment indicators. The Barometer Survey serves as a significant indicator for the course of the investment environment since it exposes the outlook of international investors about the economy, their expectations, and their plans for the next term. To this end, the Barometer Survey contains quite a lot of questions probing a wide domain which ranges from the general trends of the world economy, to Turkey's growth rates, to global FDI trends, to FDI in Turkey, to expectations about economic, financial and monetary variables, and to changes in the legislation. Barometer Survey is conducted online in cooperation with Inquisition Online Research.

YASED Investors' Expectation Index is calculated on the basis of the answers given to the questions on the following 10 headings contained in the Barometer Survey. The questions aim to grasp the expectations of our members for next 6 months concerning the below headings, which correspond to the fundamental elements of the investment environment. Our members express their expectations about these by checking one of the multiple answers, namely; *better / worse / same*.

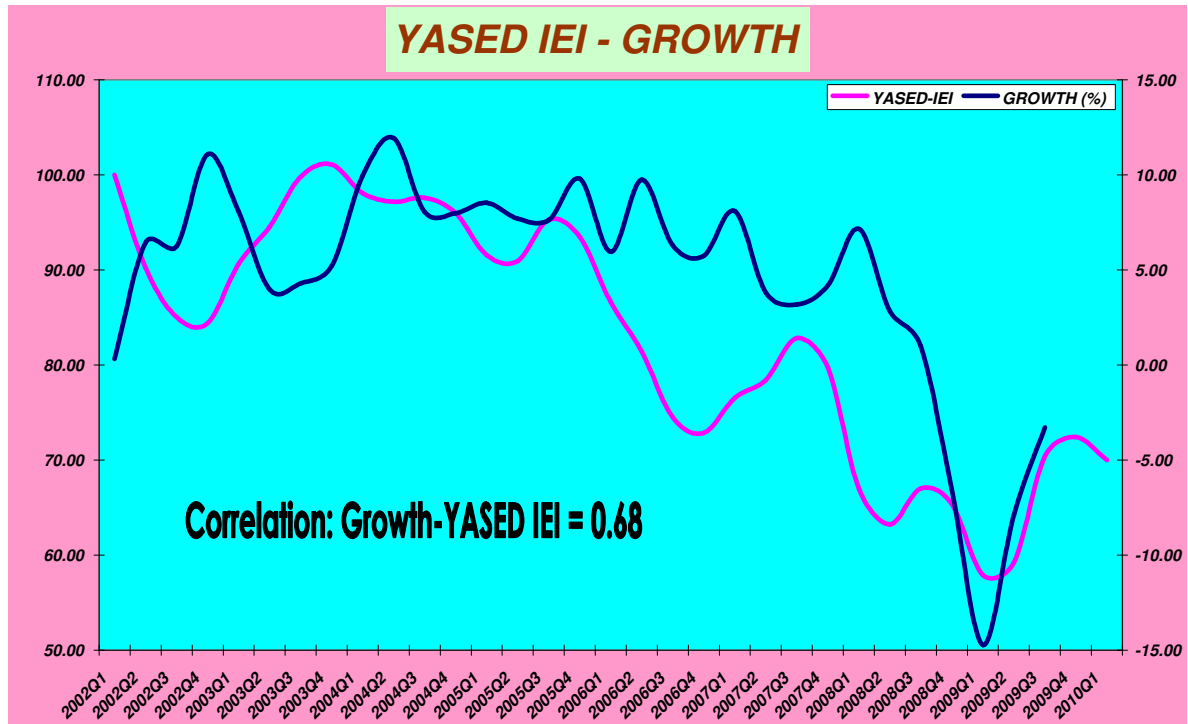
- Economic stability
- Political stability
- Taxes and incentives
- Legal framework
- Intellectual property rights
- Financial environment
- Bureaucratic red tape
- Unregistered economy
- Corruption
- Fairness in competition

Methodology

YASED Investors' Expectation Index is prepared by Finansal Teknolojiler Ltd. The base term period of YASED Investors' Expectation Index, which consists of the above-mentioned 10 questions, has been set as the 1st Quarter of 2002 and the base index has been fixed as 100. The sample of the index is composed of 120-150 YASED member investors.

Once YASED Investors' Expectation Index values are calculated, the semi-annual data have been converted to quarterly data by employing advanced econometric methods. The method used for low to high frequency conversion of the overall index is Quadratic Match Average. The overall index is composed of 10 questions. These questions have been assigned different weights depending on their relative importance.

YASED Investors' Expectation Index has 0.68 correlation with quarterly growth data released by TurkStat.



Who should follow ?

The index is a leading indicator for all who follow the Turkish economy closely.

- Financial sector
- Decision makers and managers in charge of investments
- Economists
- Academicians

How to follow ?

YASED Investors' Expectation Index will be announced twice a year on April 5 and October 5 at 10:00 AM through a press meeting / bulletin and on YASED website (www.yased.org.tr).

* If the date coincides with a public holiday or is on weekend, the announcement will be made on the following working day.