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Once being an essential part of the historical silk road, Turkey is now at the crossroads of important transport corridors which are key for the revival of the modern silk road.
In February 2011, our Ministry adopted «2023 Transport Strategy» which identifies Turkey’s transport vision, strategy and targets for the year 2023, the 100th anniversary of our Republic.

2023 Transport Strategy focuses on development of transport infrastructure, promotion of intermodal transport and facilitation of transport activities and sectors with a more liberal approach.

The strategy envisages to provide an uninterrupted, high quality, safe and secure transport connection between Asia and Europe.
UNECE Euro-Asian Links Project Phase II – Rail routes Group 3

Rail Routes Group 3
Marmaray and Baku-Tiblisi-Kars Railway projects are completing missing links on the Middle Corridor.
At the intersections of Eurasian transport links, Turkey prioritized:

- Development of railways as a state policy,
- Construction of a divided road network and new motorways, bridges and tunnels,
- Improving maritime transport capacities,
- Construction of logistics centers.
Public Investments and Public Private Partnership Projects:

- Marmaray
- Edirne-Kars High Speed Railway Project
- Bakü-Tiblisi-Kars Railway Project
- Eurasian Tunnel
- North Marmara Motorway
- Gebze-Orhangazi-İzmir Motorway
- New Airport for Istanbul
- Istanbul Three-tiered Undersea Tunnel
- Çandarlı and Filyos Ports
Development of railways as a prioritized state policy:

- Development of a modernized and renewed railway network of 25,000 km, of which 12,000 km will be high speed line.
- Liberal regulations for railway sector

Increasing Public investment on Railway:

- Marmaray
- Edirne-Kars High Speed Railway Project
- Bakü-Tbilisi-Kars Railway Project
- Van Lake Ferry Line
RAILWAY NETWORK BEFORE THE REPUBLIC 4.136km MAINLINE
FIRST YEARS OF THE REPUBLIC (1923-1950) 3.764km MAINLINE
FROM 1951 TILL 2003 945km MAINLINE
FROM 2004 TILL 2015 1.805 km MAINLINE
UNDER CONSTRUCTION 3.057 km MAINLINE
Total: 12.531 km railway
By the year 2023,

- 45 Billion $ investment target to construct 11.599 km railway,
- Total 22.504 km with fully electrified and signaled lines
• Turkey has efficiently mobilized PPP mechanism for road transport. We are implementing very large-scale motorway projects in cooperation with private sector.
  
  • Eurasian Tunnel
  • North Marmara Motorway
  • Gebze-Orhangazi-İzmir Motorway

• East-west and north-south road corridors in Turkey are being completed by construction of divided roads, tunnels and bridges.

• New regulations for road safety and road inspections are adopted.
2003
- 1.714 Km Highways Total
- 4.387 Km Divided State and Provincial Road Total
- 6.101 Km Total

2015
- 2.289 Km Highways Total
- 21.991 Km Divided State and Provincial Road Total
- 24.280 Km Total

Road Transport
By the year 2023;

- Divided road length will be increased from 19.072 to 36.500 km,
- Motorways will be increased from 5250 to 7500 km through build-operate-transfer projects: Total estimated Cost: 83 Billion $
We also aim to build 20 “Logistics Centers” which integrate all transportation systems. 6 logistics centers are operational, 6 of them are under construction, others are in the process of tender and project preparation.
Turkey participates in any bilateral and multilateral platforms enhancing connectivity in Eurasia. For developing connectivity with South Asia, Turkey also attaches great importance to the ECO Islamabad-Tehran-İstanbul Container Train.
3rd. Airport for Istanbul
• New Istanbul Airport will become one of the largest airports of the world with an annual 150 million passenger capacity.

• Total estimated budget: 10.2 Billion Euro
Istanbul Three-tiered Tunnel:

- Build Operate Transfer Project
- Preparation Process for Tender
Thank you for your attention