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TCA Publishes 2024 Annual Report





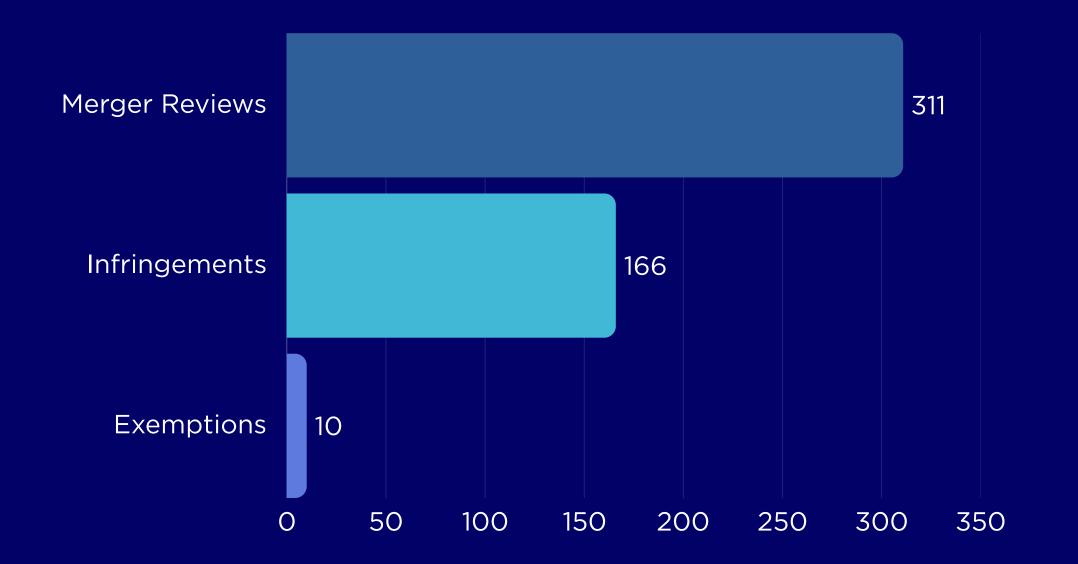
Introduction

- On 28 May 2025, the Turkish Competition Authority ("TCA") released its 2024 Annual Report (the "Report"). The Report provides an overview of the TCA's key activities over the past year, including enforcement decisions, merger control, and regulatory developments. For the official document in Turkish, please visit the link.
- Notably, 2024 saw a significant increase in administrative fines and a continued focus on digital markets, public procurement, and labor market practices.
- In this post, we focus on key figures and trends to offer a data-based snapshot of competition law enforcement in Türkiye throughout 2024.



Concluded Cases

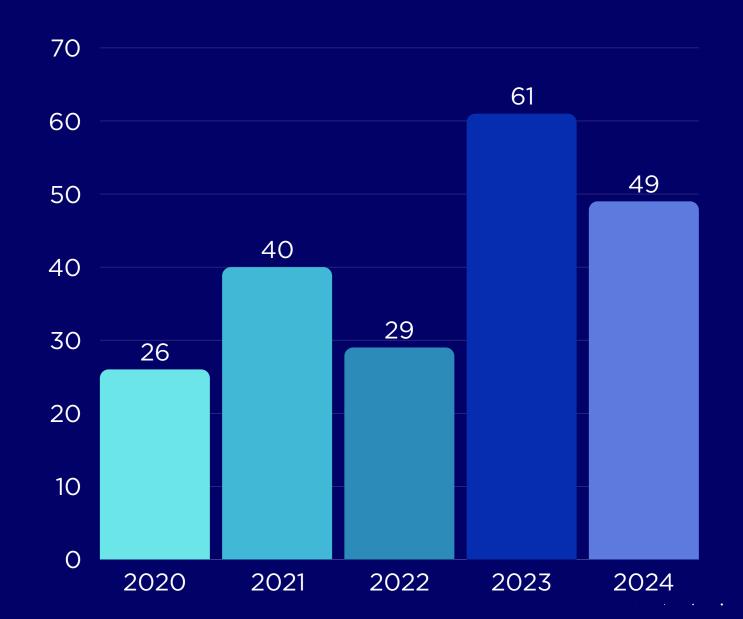
• 2024 marked the highest number of concluded cases in the last five years (487 total), driven primarily by merger reviews (64%), followed by competition infringements (34%). Exemption decisions remained minimal.





Closed Investigations (2020-2024)

• The number of fully closed investigations in 2024 (49) **decreased compared to the record high in 2023** (61), but remained above previous years. The general trend over five years indicates a fluctuating pattern, with a notable peak in 2023.



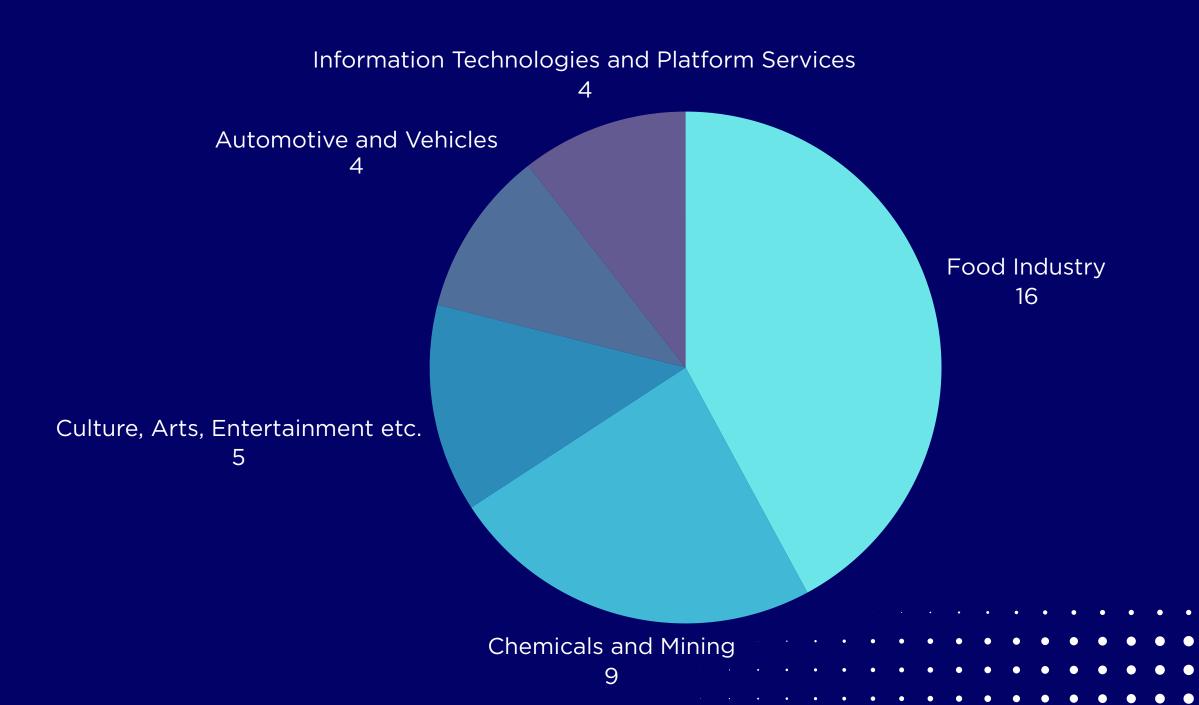


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Sectoral Breakdown of Concluded Investigations (Top 5 Sectors)

• In 2024, the food industry stood out as the most investigated sector, accounting for nearly one-third of all concluded investigations among the top five. Technology and automotive markets also continued to attract attention from the TCA.





Investigations and Dawn Raids (2021–2024)

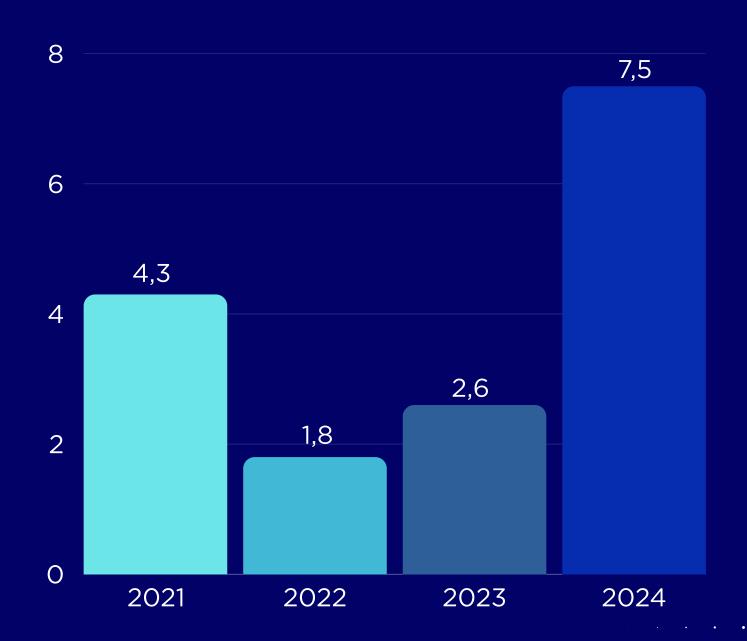
• While the number of concluded investigations slightly declined in 2024 compared to 2023, dawn raid activity remained intense, with over 1,000 assignments carried out.

Year	Concluded Investigations	Preliminary Investigations	Dawn Raid Assignments
2021	44	29	653
2022	54	24	831
2023	61	28	1642
2024	49	27	1039



Administrative Fines Imposed (2021–2024, in billion TRY)

• In 2024, the total amount of administrative fines imposed by the TCA tripled compared to the previous year, reaching TRY 7.5 billion.





Cases Concluded under Articles 4 and 6 of Law No. 4054 (2020–2024)

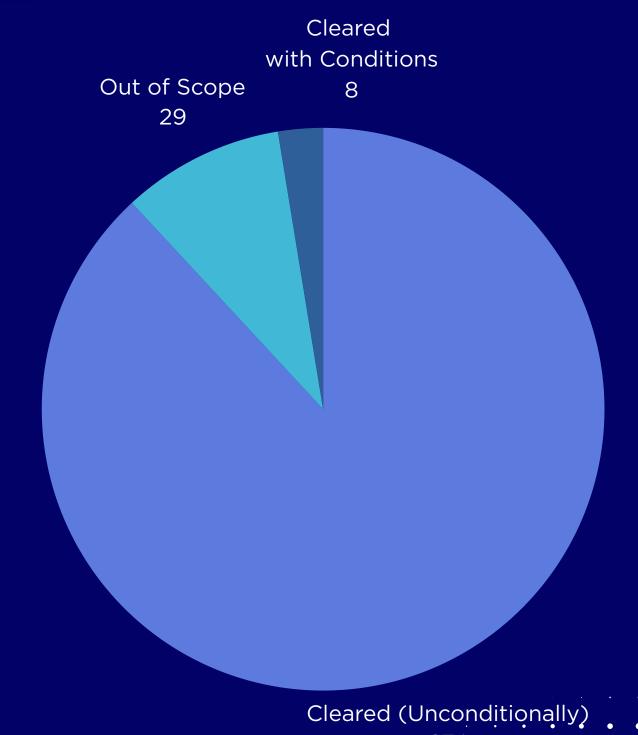
• In 2024, 89% of infringement decisions concerned Article 4 (anti-competitive agreements), while decisions involving Article 6 (abuse of dominance) and hybrid assessments under both articles accounted for a smaller share. The upward trend in Article 4 enforcement continued for the fourth consecutive year.

Year	Article 4	Article 6	Hybrid (4 & 6)	Total
2020	36	22	7	65
2021	40	23	11	74
2022	58	14	6	78
2023	121	18	6	145
2024	148	13	5	166



Merger Control in 2024

• Out of **311 notified transactions** in 2024, 88% were cleared unconditionally, while a limited number (8 cases) were approved subject to commitments. 29 cases were deemed out of scope of merger control.

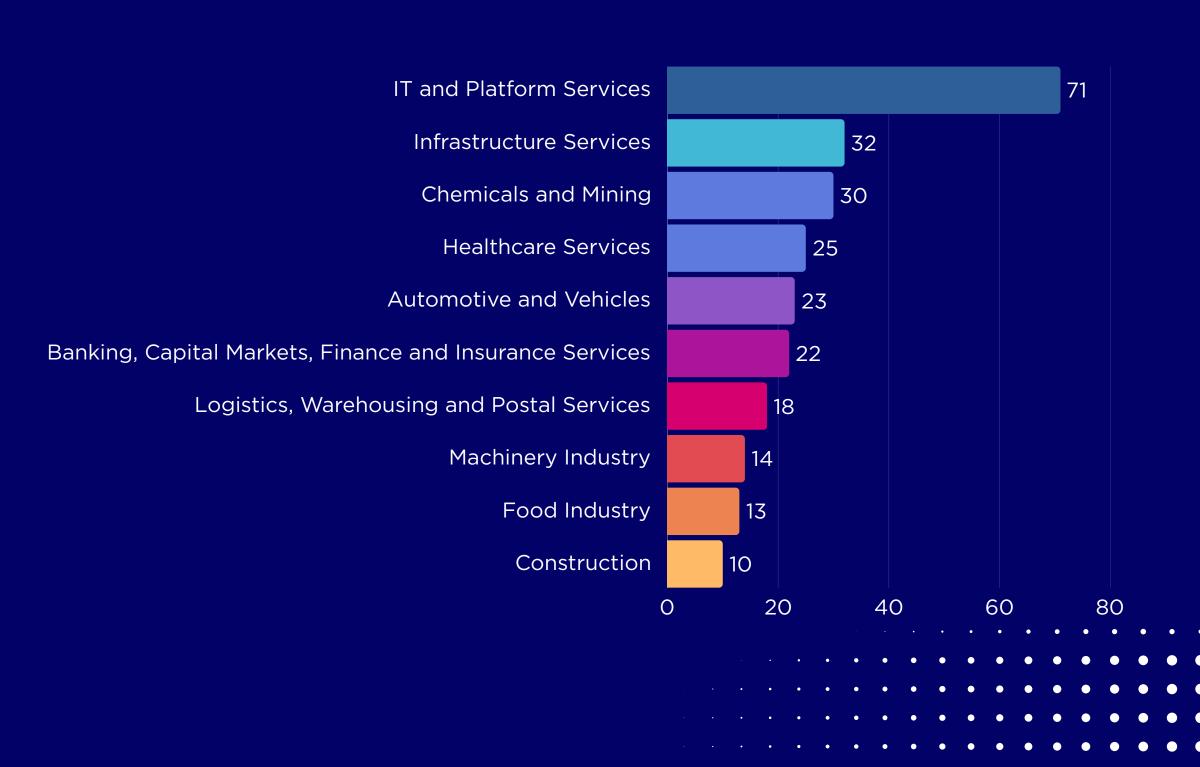


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Sectoral Breakdown of Merger Filings (Top 10 Sectors)

• In 2024, the digital sector (including IT and platform services) accounted for the highest number of merger decisions, followed by infrastructure, chemicals, and healthcare.



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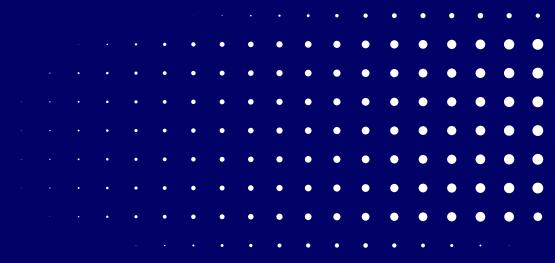


Conclusion

The TCA's 2024 figures reflect a sharper enforcement outlook:

- 487 concluded cases a five-year peak.
- TRY 7.5 billion in fines triple the 2023 total.
- Article 4 cases continued to dominate infringement decisions.
- Digital, food, and chemical sectors were most prominent.

The TCA remains focused on proactive enforcement, with growing attention to evolving market dynamics and sector-specific risks.





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