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# Türkiye’de Ekonomik Büyüme ve İşsizlik Oranı / Economic Growth and the Unemployment Rate in Turkey

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## ABSTRACT

The relationship between unemployment rate and economic growth has important implications for macroeconomic policy. Policymakers, who undertake the responsibility of stimulus policy to bring down the unemployment rate need to know the growth rate of the gdp. Variations in unemployment are inversely related to variations in output in any economy. This relation is named as Okun’s law in economics literature. This study intends to test the validity of Okun’s law during the period 2002 -2015 in Turkey. In order to examine the relationship between unemployment rate and economic growth, ECM and Johansen Cointegration test were applied to determine the relationship.

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