

Abstract:

This thesis is focused on the theoretical bases of contemporary analysis of Turkish nationalism and Turkish identity. The first part of this thesis in two chapters provides a brief review of the historical development of Turkish nationalism and the main sources of its ideas, and then summarizes the evolution of theoretical debates on the nationalism and shows the most influent theories of the end of 20th century. The main part of the thesis analyzes texts of contemporary Turkish experts concerned with Turkish nationalism in the book *Milliyetçilik*. The analysis is focused in detail on four main topics. The aim of the analysis is to show how today's Turkish experts approach the study of Turkish nationalism and which thoughts and theoretical bases they work with.