Abstract

In this thesis, connections between grammatical forms (specifically grammatical cases) and meaning are investigated using corpus linguistics and discourse analysis by employing grammatical profiles. These tendencies are examined in the speeches of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey from 2011 to 2022. For selected expressions (mainly names of states) frequencies and comparisons with the grammatical profile of all countries and the reference corpus were analyzed. The expressions were divided according to the most frequently used cases, i.e. the locative, genitive, instrumental, and ablative cases, and collocations related to their most frequently used cases were analyzed in pairs of expressions; the tendencies of cases and themes associated with these expressions were also examined, as well as the expressions that were often used by the coalition and the opposition. In pairs with the ablative case, we see different tendencies, in pairs with the locative, genitive, and instrumental cases the tendencies were similar. The grammatical profiles obtained for the different states indicate possible differences in the perception of the status of the states in Turkish parliamentary discourse.