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Interactive comment on "Lightning fatalities and injuries in Turkey" by Ş. Tilev-Tanriover et al.

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I have reviewed the manuscript "Lightning fatalities and injuries in Turkey" by Tilev-Tanriover et al. I find the manuscript well-written, scientifically meritorious, and acceptable for publications as it is. I do not have any specific comments, however, I just mention some points for possible further considerations and examinations:

1. For the lightning location data you have used the Vaisala GLD360. You could have mentioned a reference for the technical issues of the system, and also a citation for some other studies (e.g. climatological) made with that data.

Some related interesting publications: Technical: Said, R.K., U.S. Inan, and K.L. Cummins (2010), Long-range lightning geolocation using a VLF radio atmospheric waveform bank, J. Geophys. Res., 115, D23108, doi:10.1029/2010JD013863.

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2. Thunderstorm days can be calculated also from the lightning location data. If done so, it would have been interesting to know how that result corresponds to that based on the observations on the Turkish weather stations.

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