GENERAL PROFILE: JAPAN

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2018

- **Population**: 127.202 Millions
- **Exchange rate**: 110.423 JPY/US$
- **GDP**: 4,983,568 Millions current US$
- **Land area**: (n) 364,560 km$^2$
- **CPI growth**: 0.98%
- **GDP growth**: 0.79%

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

- **Total merchandise trade** (millions of US$)
  - 2005: Merchandise exports 594,941, Merchandise imports 515,866, Merchandise trade balance 79,074
  - 2010: Merchandise exports 769,774, Merchandise imports 694,059, Merchandise trade balance 75,715
  - 2015: Merchandise exports 624,921, Merchandise imports 648,117, Merchandise trade balance -23,196
  - 2018: Merchandise exports 738,143, Merchandise imports 748,488, Merchandise trade balance -10,344

- **Export structure by product group in 2018**
  - Manufactured goods: 93%
  - Other: 7%

- **Top 5 partners in 2018** (exports, millions of US$)
  - China: 144,053
  - United States of America: 140,664
  - Korea, Republic of: 52,482
  - China, Taiwan Province of: 42,394
  - China, Hong Kong SAR: 34,723

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

- **Total trade in services** (millions of US$)
  - 2005: Services exports 102,029, Services imports 139,030, Services trade balance -37,001
  - 2010: Services exports 134,414, Services imports 164,704, Services trade balance -30,290
  - 2015: Services exports 162,637, Services imports 178,587, Services trade balance -15,950
  - 2018: Services exports (e) 192,006, Services imports (e) 200,047, Services trade balance (e) -8,040

- **Services exports by main category** (as % of total services)

TRADE INDICES

- **Economic indicators**
  - GDP, current: 4,755,410, 5,700,098, 4,394,978, 4,983,568
  - GDP per capita, current US$: 37,057, 44,344, 34,340, 39,178
  - Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %: 1.66, 4.19, 1.35, 0.79
  - Current account balance, % of GDP: 3.58, 4.19, 3.11, 3.51
  - Exchange rate (US$): 110.218, 87.780, 121.044, 110.423

- **GDP by expenditure in 2017** (as % of total GDP)
  - Household Consumption: 55.5
  - General government final consumption expenditure: 19.6
  - Gross Capital Formation: 24.0
  - Exports: 17.7
  - Imports: 16.7

ECONOMIC TRENDS

- **Gross domestic product growth rate in 2018**: +0.8%
### Financial flows

(millions of US$ unless otherwise specified)

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<td>FDI inflows</td>
<td>2,775.76</td>
<td>-1,251.81</td>
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<td>FDI outflows</td>
<td>45,781.25</td>
<td>56,263.41</td>
<td>136,248.52</td>
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<td>Personal remittances, % of GDP</td>
<td>0.02</td>
<td>0.03</td>
<td>0.08</td>
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### Financial flows trends

(millions of US$)

- FDI outflows as % of GDP in 2018: +2.9%

### TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

(as % and index)

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<td>Balance, % of GDP</td>
<td>1.47</td>
<td>1.37</td>
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<td>(e) 0.06</td>
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<td>Balance, % of imports</td>
<td>11.56</td>
<td>9.89</td>
<td>-2.88</td>
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<td>Normalized balance</td>
<td>0.055</td>
<td>0.047</td>
<td>-0.015</td>
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### Trade openness

(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)

- 2006: 20
- 2008: 20
- 2010: 20
- 2012: 20
- 2014: 20
- 2016: 20
- 2018: 20

### Maritime transport indicators

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<td>Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)</td>
<td>16,013</td>
<td>17,707</td>
<td>30,670</td>
<td>37,536</td>
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<td>Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)</td>
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<td>72.44</td>
<td>74.75</td>
<td>71.05</td>
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<td>Container port throughput (TEU)</td>
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<td>19,547,865</td>
<td>20,577,013</td>
<td>22,433,824</td>
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### Information economy indicators

(as % of)

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<td>Share of ICT goods, % of total exports</td>
<td>16.95</td>
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<td>Share of workforce involved in the ICT sector</td>
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### Labour force by gender in 2018

(as % of total labour force, all sectors)

- Male: 57%
- Female: 43%

### Other indicators

- Share of the total world merchant fleet in 2018: 1.951%