GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2018

- Population: 57.793 Millions
- Exchange rate: 13.241 ZAR/US$
- GDP: 368 000 Millions current US$
- CPI growth: 4.50%
- GDP growth: 0.80%

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

Merchandise exports:
- 2005: 51 626
- 2010: 91 347
- 2015: 81 002
- 2018: 93 970

Merchandise imports:
- 2005: 62 304
- 2010: 96 835
- 2015: (e) 104 651
- 2018: (e) 113 605

Merchandise trade balance:
- 2005: -10 679
- 2010: -5 488
- 2015: (e) -23 649
- 2018: (e) -19 635

 año% of total exports:

Top 5 partners in 2018:
- China: 8 543
- Germany: 6 703
- United States of America: 6 357
- United Kingdom: 4 814
- Japan: 4 475

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

Services exports:
- 2005: 11 829
- 2010: 16 063
- 2015: 15 050
- 2018: 15 960

Services imports:
- 2005: 12 151
- 2010: 19 592
- 2015: 15 531
- 2018: 16 494

Services trade balance:
- 2005: -322
- 2010: -3 529
- 2015: -481
- 2018: -533

Services exports by main category:
- Transport: 17.1%
- Travel: 63.5%
- Other services: 19.2%

TRADE INDICES

TRADE BY EXPENDITURE IN 2017

- Household Consumption: 59.4
- General government final consumption expenditure: 20.9
- Gross Capital Formation: 18.6
- Exports: 29.8
- Imports: 28.4

ECONOMIC TRENDS
**SOUTH AFRICA**

**FDI AND EXTERNAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

### Financial flows

* (millions of US$ unless otherwise specified)

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<td>FDI inflows</td>
<td>(j) 6 646.93</td>
<td>(j) 3 635.60</td>
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<td>FDI outflows</td>
<td>(j) 930.29</td>
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<td>Personal remittances, % of GDP</td>
<td>0.24</td>
<td>0.28</td>
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### Financial flows trends

(millions of US$)

- FDI outflows as % of GDP in 2018: +1.2%

**TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES**

### Trade balance indicators

(as % and index)

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<td>Balance, % of GDP</td>
<td>-0.25</td>
<td>1.23</td>
<td>-1.31</td>
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<td>Balance, % of imports</td>
<td>-0.93</td>
<td>4.51</td>
<td>-4.17</td>
<td>1.19</td>
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<td>Normalized balance</td>
<td>-0.005</td>
<td>0.022</td>
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### Trade openness

(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)

- Male 58%
- Female 42%

**OTHER INDICATORS**

### Maritime transport indicators

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<td>Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)</td>
<td>104</td>
<td>126</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>429</td>
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<td>Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)</td>
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<td>36.79</td>
<td>37.49</td>
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<td>Container port throughput (TEU)</td>
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<td>3 959 192</td>
<td>4 662 300</td>
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### Information economy indicators

(as % of)

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<td>Share of ICT goods, % of total exports</td>
<td>1.25</td>
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<td>Share of ICT goods, % of total imports</td>
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<td>Share of workforce involved in the ICT sector</td>
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1. Land area refers to the total area of a country excluding area under inland water bodies. It differs from the country area, that includes area under inland water bodies, but excludes offshore territorial waters.
   e. Estimated.
   j. Asset/liability basis.

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# Non-relevant calculation
- Not publishable
*** Negative accumulation of flows; Value included in regional and global totals

Abbreviations & acronyms:
DWT: Dead weight tons
FDI: Foreign direct investment
GDP: Gross domestic product
ICT: Information and communication technology
TEU: Twenty foot equivalent unit
US$: United States dollar

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