GENERAL PROFILE: SAMOA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2018

- **Population**: 0.196 Millions
- **Land area**: (n) 2,830 km²
- **Exchange rate**: 2.587 WST/US$
- **CPI growth**: 4.20%
- **GDP**: 884 Millions current US$
- **GDP growth**: 1.71%

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

- **Total merchandise trade (millions of US$)**
  - **Merchandise exports**: 2005 87, 2010 70, 2015 59, 2018 46
  - **Merchandise imports**: 2005 239, 2010 310, 2015 371, 2018 363

  **Export structure by product group in 2018**
  - All food items: 12%
  - Fuels: 61%
  - Manufactured goods: 25%
  - Other: 2%

- **Merchandise exports growth rate in 2018**: +3.8%

  **Top 5 partners in 2018 (exports, millions of US$)**
  - American Samoa: 16
  - New Zealand: 5
  - United States of America: 5
  - Australia: 3
  - Tokelau: 2

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

- **Total trade in services (millions of US$)**
  - **Services exports**: 2005 130, 2010 172, 2015 198, -
  - **Services imports**: 2005 69, 2010 82, 2015 74, -
  - **Services trade balance**: 2005 61, 2010 90, 2015 124, -

- **Services exports by main category (as % of total services)**
  - Transport: 2005 4.0, 2010 4.3, 2015 4.0, -
  - Travel: 2005 56.3, 2010 71.5, 2015 71.6, -
  - Other services: 2005 15.2, 2010 10.8, 2015 20.2, -

TRADE INDICES

ECONOMIC TRENDS

- **Economic indicators (millions of US$ unless otherwise specified)**
  - **GDP, current**: 2005 434, 2010 679, 2015 774, 2018 884
  - **GDP per capita, current US$**: 2005 2,416, 2010 3,653, 2015 4,000, 2018 4,508
  - **Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %**: 2005 5.06, 2010 4.32, 2015 2.94, 2018 1.71
  - **Current account balance, % of GDP**: 2005 -10.95, 2010 -6.43, 2015 -1.65, -

- **GDP by expenditure in 2017 (as % of total GDP)**
  - Household Consumption: 93.6
  - General government final consumption expenditure: 18.9
  - Gross Capital Formation: 9.0
  - Exports: 32.4
  - Imports: 54.0

+1.7% Gross domestic product growth rate in 2018
Financial flows

FDI inflows

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Financial flows trends

FDI inflows and personal remittances receipts over time.

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<td>Balance, % of imports</td>
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<td>Normalized balance</td>
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Labour force by gender in 2018

- Male: 66%
- Female: 34%

Maritime transport indicators

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<td>Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)</td>
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<td>Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)</td>
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<td>Container port throughput (TEU)</td>
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Information economy indicators

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Source: UNCTADstat (http://unctadstat.unctad.org)

Notes:
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.
3 Estimated. Data refers to 2016.

Symbols for missing values:
0 Zero means that the amount is nil or negligible
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*** 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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