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## GENERAL PROFILE: AFGHANISTAN

## GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2022

**Population**  
41.129 Millions**Exchange rate**  
..**GDP**  
16 131 Millions current US\$**Land area<sup>1</sup>**  
(q) 652 230 km<sup>2</sup>**CPI growth**  
13.71 %**GDP growth**  
-10.39 %

## INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

## Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)

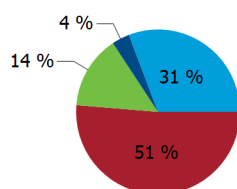
	2005	2010	2015	2022
Merchandise exports	384	388	571	(e) 992
Merchandise imports	2 471	5 154	7 723	(e) 5 762
Merchandise trade balance	-2 087	-4 766	-7 151	(e) -4 770

**-4.2 %**Merchandise exports  
growth rate in 2022

## Export structure by product group in 2022

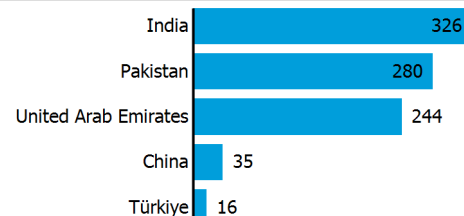
(as % of total exports)

- All food items
- Agricultural raw materials
- Manufactured goods
- Other



## Top 5 partners in 2022

(exports, millions of US\$)



## INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

Total trade in services<sup>2</sup>

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Services exports	-	2 130	839	-
Services imports	-	1 083	1 216	-
Services trade balance	-	1 047	-377	-

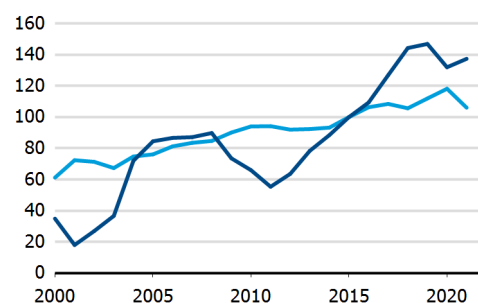
Services exports by main category<sup>2</sup>

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Transport	-	9.4	11.3	-
Travel	-	3.5	9.5	-
Other services	-	87.1	79.3	-

## TRADE INDICES

- Terms of trade index
- Purchasing power index of exports



## ECONOMIC TRENDS

## Economic indicators

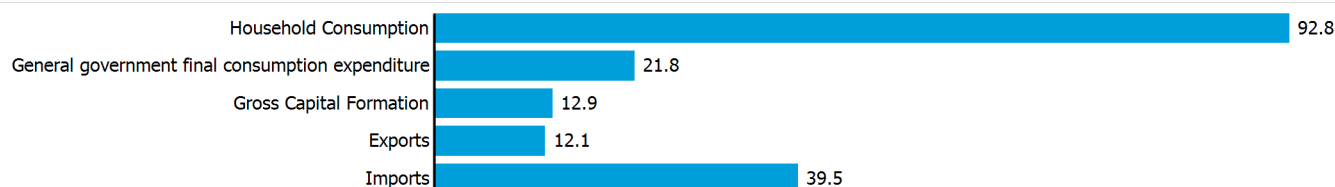
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	2005	2010	2015	2022
GDP, current	6 221	14 699	18 713	16 131
GDP per capita, current US\$	255	521	554	392
Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %	7.51	5.25	-1.42	-10.39
Current account balance, % of GDP	29.96	-3.93	-22.41	-
Exchange rate (/US\$)	49.495	46.452	61.143	..

**-10.4 %**Gross domestic product  
growth rate in 2022

## GDP by expenditure in 2021

(as % of total GDP)



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## FDI AND EXTERNAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES

### Financial flows

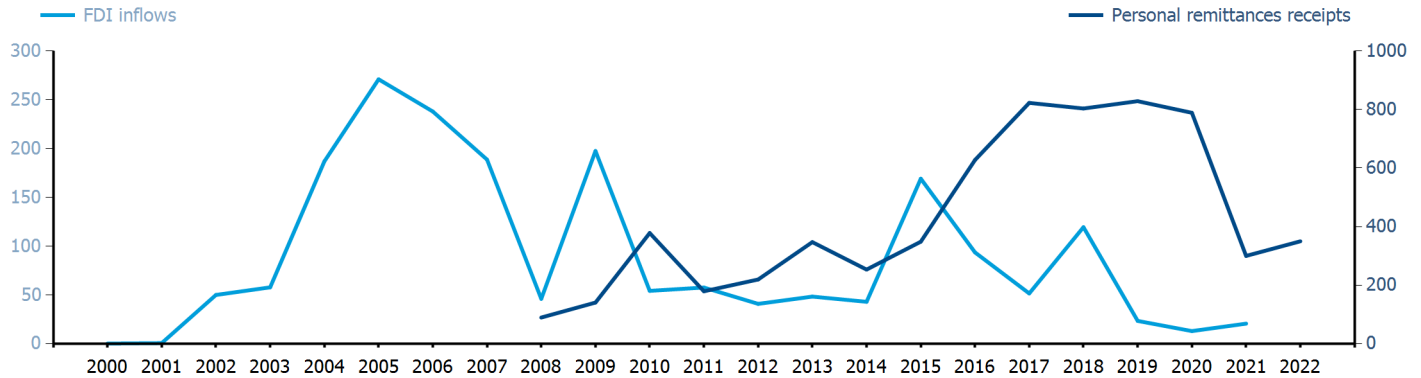
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	2005	2010	2015	2022
FDI inflows	271.00	54.20	169.15	..
FDI outflows	1.50	-0.72	2.16	..
Personal remittances, % of GDP	..	2.57	1.86	2.17

FDI outflows as % of GDP in 2022

### Financial flows trends

(millions of US\$)



## TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

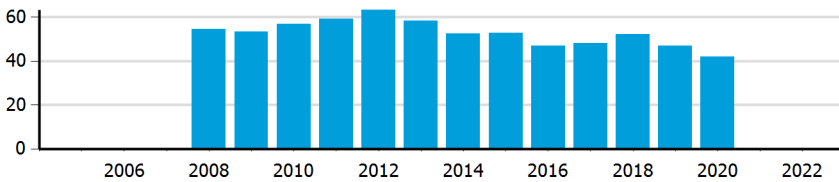
### Trade balance indicators<sup>2</sup>

(as % and index)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Balance, % of GDP	-	-21.81	-37.65	-
Balance, % of imports	-	-55.54	-83.25	-
Normalized balance	-	-0.384	-0.713	-

### Trade openness<sup>2</sup>

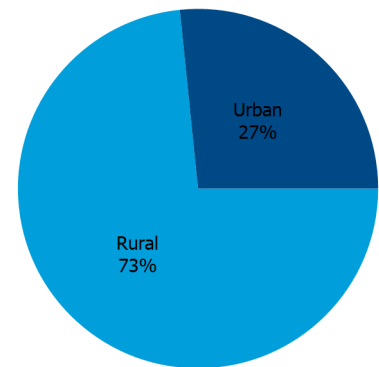
(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)



## LIVING AREA

### Population by living area in 2022

(% of population)



## OTHER INDICATORS

### Maritime transport indicators

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)	..	..	..	..
Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)	..	..	..	..
Container port throughput (TEU)	..	..	..	..

Share of the total world merchant fleet in 2022

### Information economy indicators

(as % of)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Share of ICT goods, % of total exports	..	-	-	..
Share of ICT goods, % of total imports	..	0.37	0.16	..
Share of workforce involved in the ICT sector	..	..	..	..

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## 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.
- 2 Statistics presented correspond to the 6th edition of the IMF Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual (BPM6, 2009).
- e Estimated.
- q Estimated. Data refers to 2020.

## Symbols for missing values:

- 0 Zero means that the amount is nil or negligible
- .. Not available or not separately reported
- Not applicable
- ... Not available, including no quotation
- # 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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