

GENERAL PROFILE: AFGHANISTAN

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2017

Population
35.530 Millions

Exchange rate
68.027 AFN/US\$

GDP
21 743 Millions current US\$

Land area ¹
(m) 652 860 km²

CPI growth
4.98 %

GDP growth
2.51 %

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
Merchandise exports	384	388	571	700
Merchandise imports	2 471	5 154	7 723	7 384
Merchandise trade balance	-2 087	-4 766	-7 151	-6 684

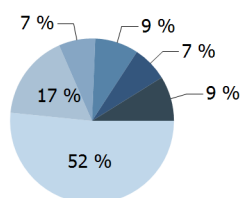
+17.4 %

Merchandise exports growth rate in 2017

Export structure by product group in 2017

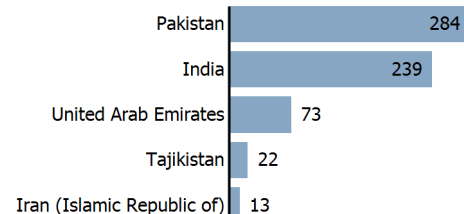
(as % of total exports)

- All food items
- Agricultural raw materials
- Ores and metals
- Fuels
- Manufactured goods
- Other



Top 5 partners in 2017

(exports, millions of US\$)



INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

Total trade in services ²

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
Services exports	-	2 091	731	(e) 432
Services imports	-	1 370	1 546	(e) 1 572
Services trade balance	-	720	-815	(e) -1 140

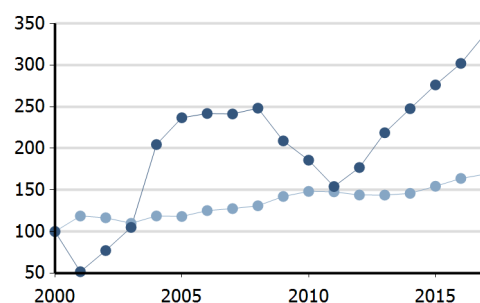
Services exports by main category ²

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
Transport	-	8.3	8.6	(e) 6.1
Travel	-	4.1	11.2	(e) 0.1
Other services	-	87.6	80.2	(e) 93.7

TRADE INDICES

- Terms of trade index
- Purchasing power index of exports



ECONOMIC TRENDS

Economic indicators

(millions of US\$ unless otherwise specified)

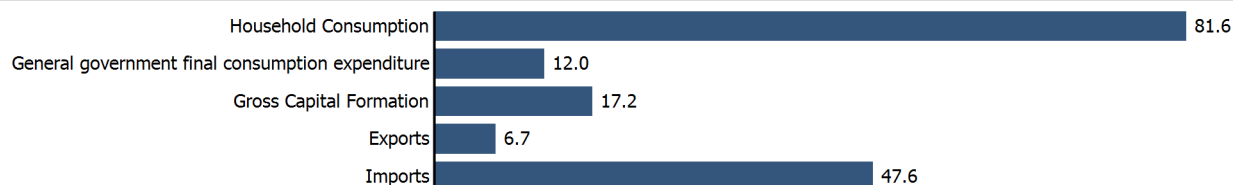
	2005	2010	2015	2017
GDP, current	6 622	16 078	20 608	21 743
GDP per capita, current US\$	264	558	611	612
Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %	9.90	3.24	-1.79	2.51
Current account balance, % of GDP	-	-9.36	-22.75	-21.54
Exchange rate (/US\$)	49.495	46.452	61.143	68.027

+2.5 %

Gross domestic product growth rate in 2017

GDP by expenditure in 2016

(as % of total GDP)



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FDI AND EXTERNAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Financial flows

(millions of US\$ unless otherwise specified)

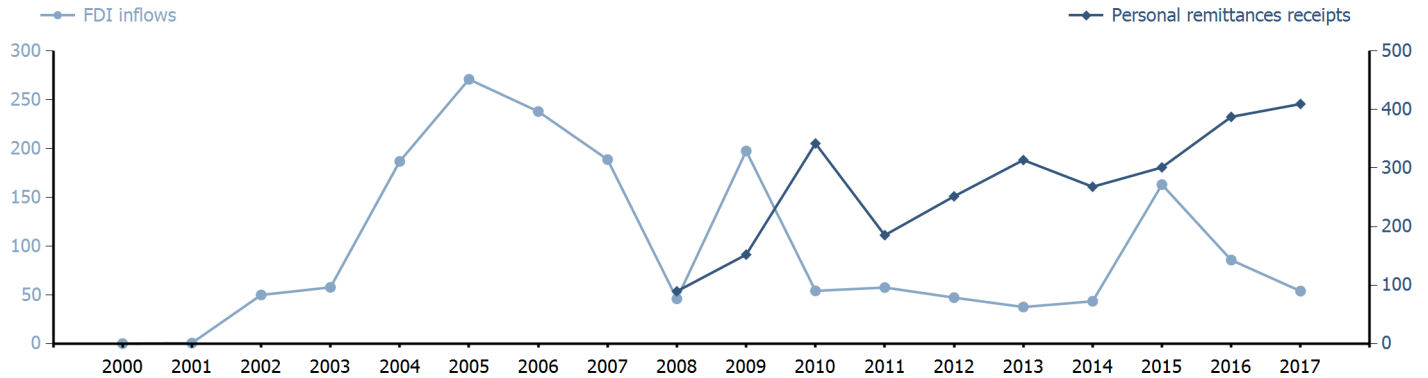
	2005	2010	2015	2017
FDI inflows	271.00	54.20	163.10	53.94
FDI outflows	1.50	-0.71	0.83	0.01
Personal remittances, % of GDP	..	2.13	1.46	1.88

0 %

FDI outflows as % of GDP in 2017

Financial flows trends

(millions of US\$)



TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

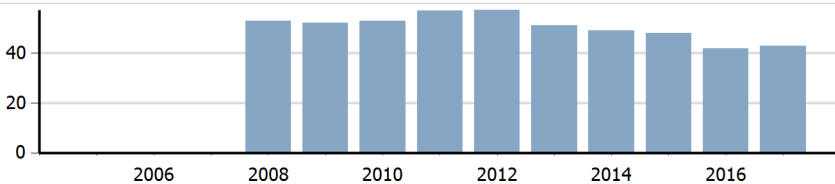
Trade balance indicators ²

(as % and index)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
Balance, % of GDP	-	-22.17	-35.18	(e) -32.44
Balance, % of imports	-	-58.98	-84.63	(e) -86.07
Normalized balance	-	-0.418	-0.734	(e) -0.755

Trade openness ²

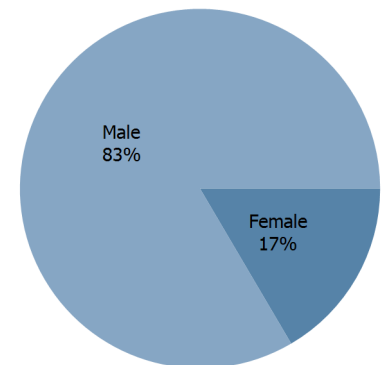
(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)



LABOUR FORCE

Labour force by gender in 2017

(as % of total labour force, all sectors)



OTHER INDICATORS

Maritime transport indicators

	2005	2010	2015	2017
Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)
Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2004 = 100 for China)
Container port throughput (TEU)

Information economy indicators

(as % of)

	2005	2010	2015	2017
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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Share of the total world merchant fleet in 2017

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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.
- m Estimated. Data refers to 2013.

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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