



GENERAL PROFILE: BULGARIA


GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2021

 **Population**
6.886 Millions

 **Exchange rate**
1.654 BGN/US\$

 **GDP**
79 552 Millions current US\$

 **Land area¹**
(q) 108 560 km²

 **CPI growth**
2.84 %

 **GDP growth**
3.25 %

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)






	2005	2010	2015	2021
Merchandise exports	11 739	20 630	25 371	41 018
Merchandise imports	18 163	25 513	29 205	46 195
Merchandise trade balance	-6 424	-4 883	-3 834	-5 178

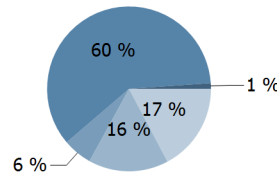
+28.4 %

Merchandise exports
growth rate in 2021

Export structure by product group in 2021

(as % of total exports)

-  All food items
-  Ores and metals
-  Fuels
-  Manufactured goods
-  Other



Top 5 partners in 2021

(exports, millions of US\$)

Germany	6 128
Romania	4 152
Italy	3 101
Greece	2 712
Türkiye	2 535

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES

Total trade in services²

(millions of US\$)



	2005	2010	2015	2021
Services exports	4 434	6 632	8 098	10 971
Services imports	3 407	3 411	4 699	5 656
Services trade balance	1 026	3 220	3 400	5 315

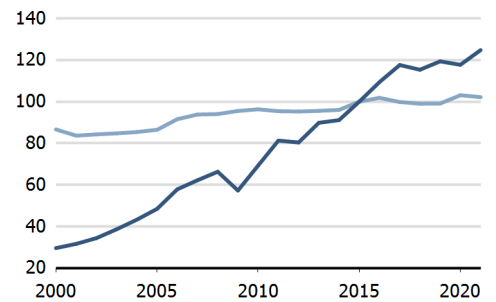
Services exports by main category²

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2021
Transport	(e) 27.5	19.7	21.1	19.2
Travel	(e) 55.2	51.4	38.7	22.6
Other services	(e) 17.3	19.4	35.3	54.0

TRADE INDICES

-  Terms of trade index
-  Purchasing power index of exports



ECONOMIC TRENDS

Economic indicators

(millions of US\$ unless otherwise specified)

	2005	2010	2015	2021
GDP, current	29 869	50 682	50 782	79 552
GDP per capita, current US\$	3 822	6 676	6 948	11 553
Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %	7.06	1.54	3.43	3.25
Current account balance, % of GDP	-11.21	-1.90	-0.24	-0.32
Exchange rate (/US\$)	1.574	1.477	1.764	1.654

+3.2 %

Gross domestic product
growth rate in 2021

GDP by expenditure in 2020

(as % of total GDP)

Household Consumption	58.7
General government final consumption expenditure	19.5
Gross Capital Formation	20.3
Exports	55.3
Imports	53.9

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FDI AND EXTERNAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Financial flows

(millions of US\$ unless otherwise specified)

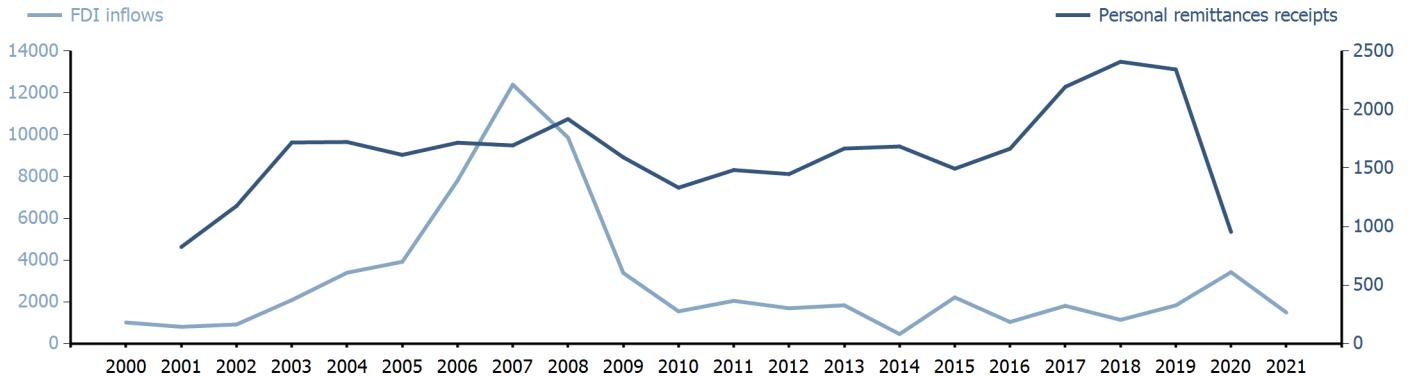
	2005	2010	2015	2021
FDI inflows	3 919.97	1 549.13	2 217.35	1 496.29
FDI outflows	309.78	313.24	138.02	149.68
Personal remittances, % of GDP	5.40	2.65	2.95	..

+0.2 %

FDI outflows as % of GDP in 2021

Financial flows trends

(millions of US\$)



TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

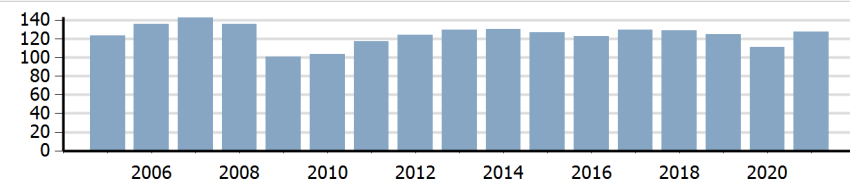
Trade balance indicators²

(as % and index)

	2005	2010	2015	2021
Balance, % of GDP	-14.81	-3.12	0.95	1.78
Balance, % of imports	-21.46	-5.87	1.51	2.83
Normalized balance	-0.120	-0.030	0.007	0.014

Trade openness²

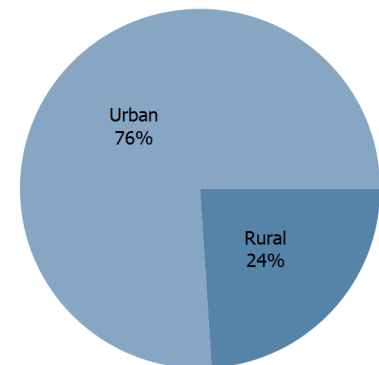
(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)



LIVING AREA

Population by living area in 2021

(% of population)



OTHER INDICATORS

Maritime transport indicators

	2005	2010	2015	2021
Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)	1 151	697	152	137
Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)	..	5.80	9.75	7.80
Container port throughput (TEU)	..	166 927	201 000	..

0.006 %

Share of the total world merchant fleet in 2021

Information economy indicators

(as % of)

	2005	2010	2015	2021
Share of ICT goods, % of total exports	1.52	2.47	2.90	..
Share of ICT goods, % of total imports	5.51	5.64	5.15	..
Share of workforce involved in the ICT sector	..	(r) 3.59	4.28	..

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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.
- r Number of persons employed in full time equivalent units. Total business economy includes repair of computers, personal and household goods; except financial and insurance activities.

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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