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Belarus

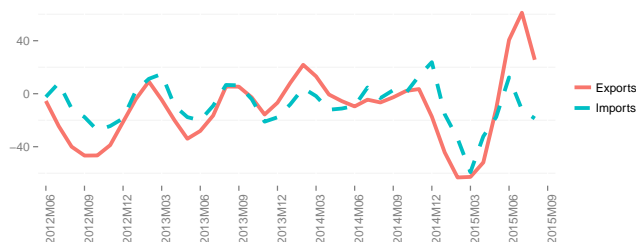
GDP (US\$ billions) (2015)	Population (millions) (2015)	Income per capita (current US\$) (2015)	Poverty rate (2012)	Unemployment rate (2015)	Ease of Doing Business Rank (2015)
55.12	9.55	5,771.76	0.00	0.52	43.00

Macro Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
GDP growth (annual %)	7.27	1.73	1.07	1.59	-3.50	-0.50	
Current account balance	-5.56	-2.93	-10.35	-6.81	-4.15	-3.21	
Cash surplus/deficit (% of GDP)	1.10	1.68	0.13	1.12	1.79	0.12	
Gross Fixed Investment (% GDP)	36.67	49.01	53.14	47.64	43.30	43.23	
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	32.43	35.38	39.30	33.47	—	—	
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	2.60	2.25	3.11	2.36	—	—	
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	7.98	7.04	—	—	—	—	
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	148.36	178.43	160.61	148.67	131.55	130.08	
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-17.91	-32.64	-39.44	-33.69	-29.08	-28.12	
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	7.91	11.20	-16.00	-3.60	-14.00	-1.00	
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	11.06	10.90	-4.20	-7.40	-15.00	-2.00	
Personal remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.99	1.66	1.66	1.62	—	—	
General government gross debt [3]	23.62	39.04	38.07	40.50	40.38	44.57	
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	1.40	1.89	1.60	1.29	—	—	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	116.37	81.35	87.39	96.51	92.65	88.38	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	24.11	59.14	18.33	18.32	16.50	15.50	

Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)



Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

Petroleum oils & oils obtained from	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, po	Motor vehicles for the transport of
27	7	3
Crude petroleum		

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods	Raw materials	Intermediate goods	Capital goods
30	28	21	20

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	34	34	0
Ease of Doing Business Rank	43	44	-1
Enforcing Contracts	29	29	0
Getting Credit	105	109	-4
Getting Electricity	85	89	-4
Paying Taxes	60	63	-3
Protecting Minority Investors	54	57	-3
Registering Property	6	7	-1
Resolving Insolvency	68	69	-1
Starting a Business	39	12	27
Trading Across Borders	25	25	0

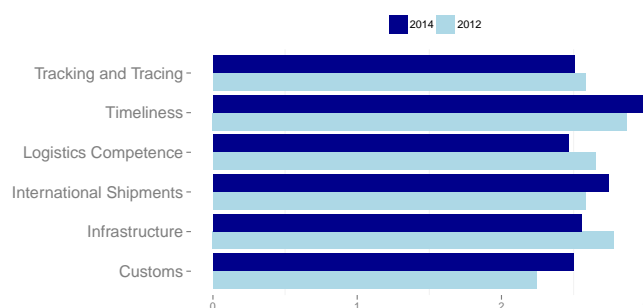
Source: Doing Business Report 2015

WEF Competitiveness Indicators (Scale 1-5, 5=best)

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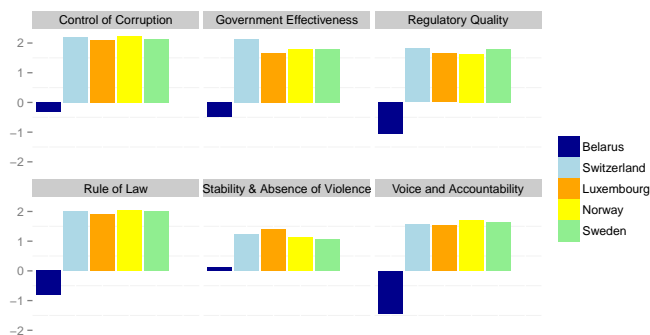
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Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)



Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	7.5	6.7
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	10	8.4
Import duties collected (% , 2011-2013) [1]	—	3.3
MFN Tariff (Agricul.)	11.8	10.2
MFN Tariff (Non-Agricul.)	8.5	7.7
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	9	8
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	—

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

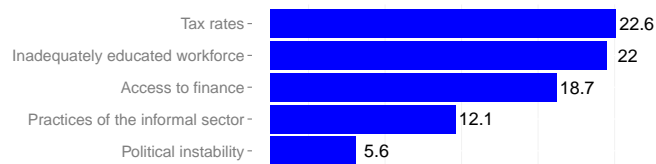
Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

	Europe and Central Asia	Belarus	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	2	0.10	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	—	30.40	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	—	14.30	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	—	78.20	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	—	13.70	9.90

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondents)



Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondents among 88 executives)

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Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015