

Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note

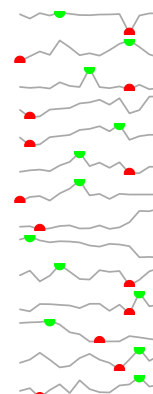


Central African Republic

GDP (US\$ billions) (2015)	Population (millions) (2015)	Income per capita (current US\$) (2015)	Poverty rate (2008)	Unemployment rate (2015)	Ease of Doing Business Rank (2015)
1.6	4.9	329.8	66.3	NA	185.0

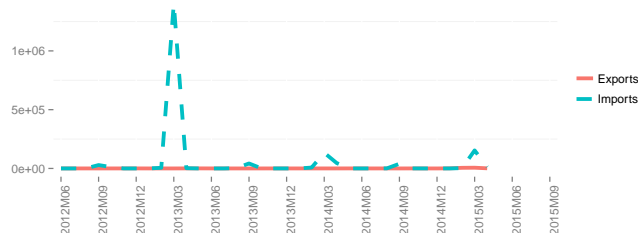
Macro Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
GDP growth (annual %)	2.900.4	4.113.3	-36.047.2	1.009.0	5.429.1	5.661.2
Current account balance	-9.796.2	-4.615.9	-3.000.2	-6.074.4	-9.582.2	-10.970.2
Cash surplus/deficit (% of GDP)	2.482.9	-0.001.1	-6.330.8	3.763.9	-6.217.5	-3.690.6
Gross Fixed Investment (% GDP)	9.113.9	12.811.6	7.073.2	8.313.3	13.404.8	13.463.5
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	10.587.1	14.973.2	8.670.4	10.175.2	—	—
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	2.132.9	3.131.1	0.116.9	0.191.8	—	—
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	20.601.6	22.225.4	—	—	—	—
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	30.007.6	29.016.0	33.631.0	43.794.2	43.557.6	45.927.2
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-3.462.9	-7.045.6	-9.187.8	-23.133.7	-22.717.0	-23.382.4
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	-1.360.3	7.056.2	-28.849.3	-14.622.3	6.348.1	14.301.0
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	2.374.3	10.815.7	-24.063.6	57.881.9	4.400.0	10.500.0
General government gross debt [3]	73.395.3	33.078.0	52.295.0	47.626.0	42.141.0	37.071.0
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	98.633.3	93.771.6	100.121.0	106.876.5	99.226.2	102.767.7
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	3.120.8	5.900.0	6.600.0	11.600.0	5.200.0	6.300.0



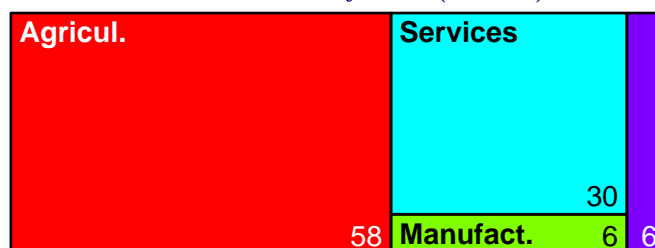
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015



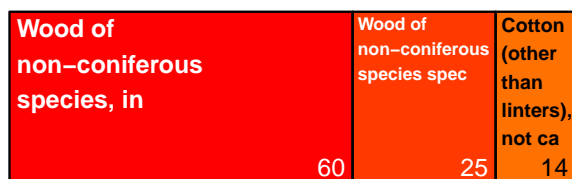
Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)

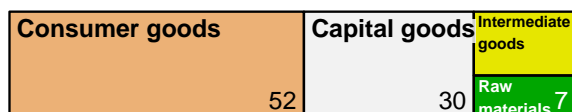


Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014



Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014



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	156	155	1
Ease of Doing Business Rank	185	185	0
Enforcing Contracts	177	177	0
Getting Credit	128	133	-5
Getting Electricity	187	186	1
Paying Taxes	185	185	0
Protecting Minority Investors	149	150	-1
Registering Property	164	167	-3
Resolving Insolvency	149	149	0
Starting a Business	188	189	-1
Trading Across Borders	144	144	0

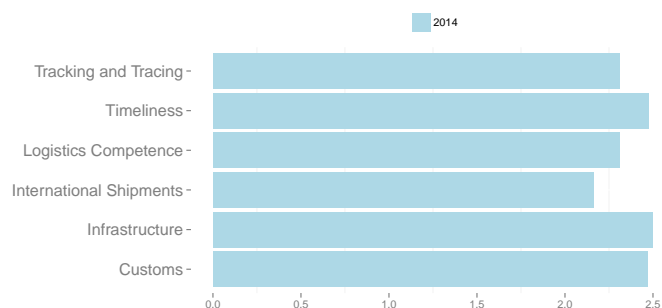
Source: Doing Business Report 2015

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

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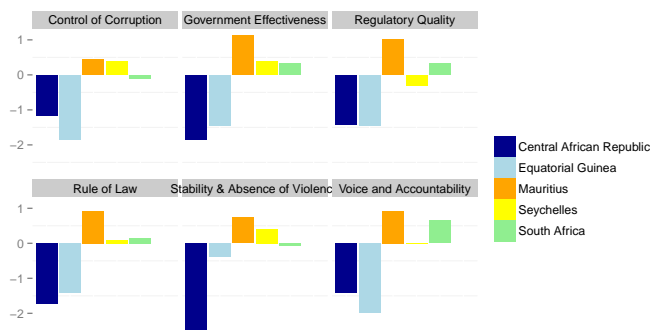
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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	2013
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	17.4	17.4
Binding (%)	62	62.2
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	9.7	9.7
Import duties collected (%; 2010-2012) [1]	—	10.7
MFN Tariff (Agricul.)	21.8	21.6
MFN Tariff (Non-Agricul.)	16.9	16.9
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	17.8	17.6
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	17.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

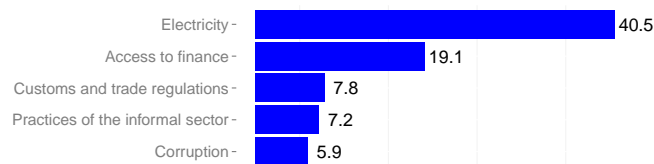
Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

	Sub-Saharan Africa	Central African Republic	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	8.30	29.00	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	23.10	26.00	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.90	4.80	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	76.70	73.90	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	8.20	9.20	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