



# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



# Niger

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Poverty rate	Unemployment	Ease of Doing
billions) (2015)	(millions)	capita (current	(2011)	rate (2015)	Business Rank
	(2015)	US\$) (2015)			(2015)
7.1	19.9	357.9	50.3	NA	164.0

### **Macro Indicators**

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	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
GDP growth (annual %)	4.41	11.08	4.43	6.51	4.77	5.34	~~~
Current account balance	-11.22	-8.69	-8.57	-11.48	-9.35	-9.30	
Cash surplus/deficit (% of GDP)	1.15	-1.14	-1.20	-2.95	-6.69	-1.28	
Gross Fixed Investment (% GDP)	23.25	33.10	33.91	34.48	35.12	35.01	
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	25.83	36.18	36.28	40.27	_	_	
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	6.06	12.58	9.71	9.83	_	_	
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	17.96	36.77	_	_	_	_	
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	53.56	73.37	74.83	71.75	71.55	70.48	
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-15.81	-19.03	-18.69	-21.68	-21.46	-21.61	•
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	7.13	25.51	7.90	-5.00	4.80	2.80	
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	10.60	1.77	5.70	6.40	4.30	4.30	
Personal remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	1.83	2.19	1.90		_	_	
General government gross debt [3]	49.28	26.45	27.85	32.17	43.69	45.94	
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	3.55	4.05	_	_	_	_	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	88.29	102.21	104.10	102.58	97.71	97.05	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	2.62	0.46	2.30	-0.79	-1.14	2.20	

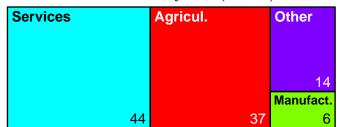
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

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

Uranium ores &		Petroleum		
concentrates		oils & oils		
		obtained from		7
	46	26	3	2

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods	Capital goods	Intermediate		
		goods		
38	32	28		

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

# Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

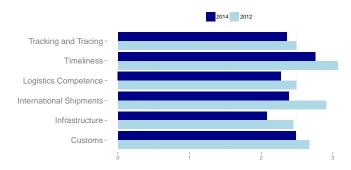
	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	181	178	3
Ease of Doing Business Rank	164	160	4
Enforcing Contracts	154	154	0
Getting Credit	128	133	-5
Getting Electricity	169	169	0
Paying Taxes	155	156	-1
Protecting Minority Investors	165	166	-1
Registering Property	127	126	1
Resolving Insolvency	123	121	2
Starting a Business	177	134	43
Trading Across Borders	139	158	-19

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

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

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

Data not available



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

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

# Control of Corruption Government Effectiveness Regulatory Quality Niger Equatorial Guinea Rule of Law Stability & Absence of Violence Voice and Accountability Rule of Law Stability & Absence of Violence Voice and Accountability Seychelles South Africa

Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

### **Trade Policy**

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	12.8	13.2
Binding (%)	96.7	96.7
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	6.9	6.9
Import duties collected [1]	_	_
MFN Tariff (Agricul.)	14.5	14.5
MFN Tariff (Non-Agricul.)	11.4	11.4
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	11.9	11.9
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	7

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

## Private Sector's Views

### **Enterprise Survey 2013**

	Sub-Saharan Africa	Niger	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	8.30	18.50	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	23.10	29.70	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.90	7.80	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	76.70	89.20	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	8.20	22.90	9.90

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondants)



Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

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

Data not available

Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

