

# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



**St. Kitts and Nevis**

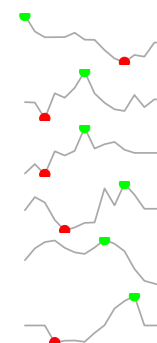
Population  
(millions)  
(2015)  
0.056

Unemployment  
rate (2015)  
NA

Ease of Doing  
Business Rank  
(2015)  
122.000

## Macro Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	41.8	26.5	31.1	30.1	—	—
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	17.9	14.4	18.6	15.4	—	—
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	44.1	46.5	—	—	—	—
Personal remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	5.9	7.0	6.6	—	—	—
General government gross debt [3]	144.1	137.3	102.9	79.9	74.5	68.8
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	3.9	8.4	9.1	—	—	—

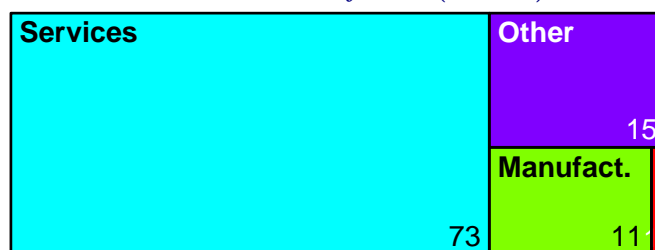


Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

## Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015

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## Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

## Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, NA

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## Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	31	32	-1
Ease of Doing Business Rank	122	124	-2
Enforcing Contracts	42	42	0
Getting Credit	150	152	-2
Getting Electricity	80	84	-4
Paying Taxes	143	147	-4
Protecting Minority Investors	87	88	-1
Registering Property	167	170	-3
Resolving Insolvency	189	189	0
Starting a Business	84	90	-6
Trading Across Borders	69	70	-1

## Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

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Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Source: Doing Business Report 2015



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

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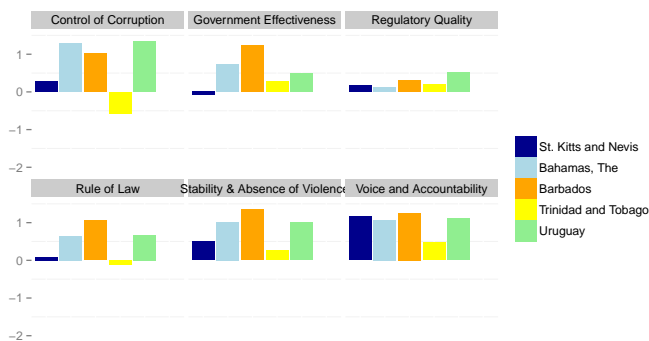
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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

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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)	12.2	11.7
Binding (%)	97.5	97.5
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	11.3	11.3
Import duties collected (% , 2011-2013) [1]	—	5.0
MFN Tariff (Agricul.)	14.4	14.0
MFN Tariff (Non-Agricul.)	8.3	8.3
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	9.2	9.1
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	8.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

## Private Sector's Views

### Enterprise Survey 2013

	St. Kitts and Nevis	Latin America and Caribbean	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	4.20	2.80	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	49.30	45.80	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	32.30	19.90	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	47.90	62.90	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	10.70	14.00	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