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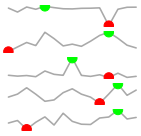
T&C Snapshots Data Note

Central African Republic

GDP (US$ billions) (2016)	Population (millions) (2016)	Income per capita (current US$) (2016)	Poverty rate (2008)	Unemployment rate (2014)
1.8	5.0	364.4	66.3	7.4

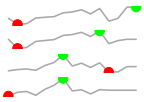
Macro Indicators

	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
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	2.482.9	-0.001.1	-6.330.8	3.763.9	-6.217.5	-3.690.6
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



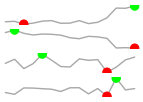
Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	9.11	12.81	7.07	8.31	13.40	13.46
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	10.69	14.97	8.67	10.18	—	—
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	2.13	3.13	0.12	0.19	—	—
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	20.60	22.23	NA	—	—	—



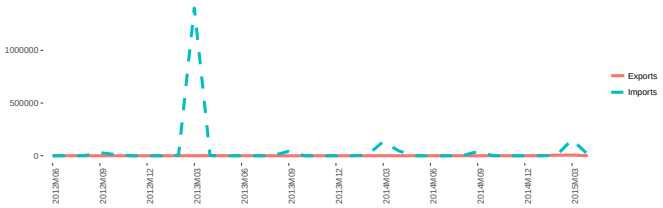
Trade Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	30.0	29.0	33.6	43.8	43.6	45.9
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-3.5	-7.0	-9.2	-23.1	-22.7	-23.4
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	-1.4	7.1	-28.8	-14.6	6.3	14.3
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	2.4	10.8	-24.1	57.9	4.4	10.5



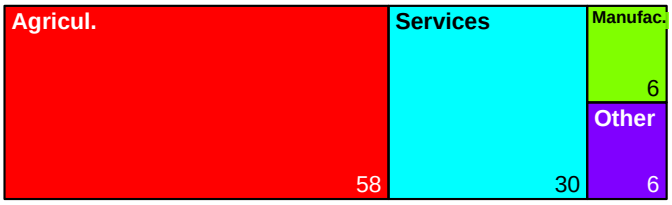
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

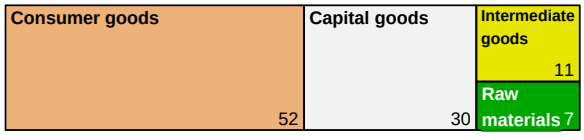
Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)



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

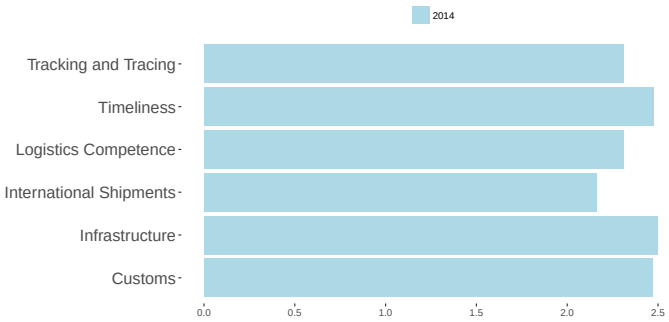
Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

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

Data not available

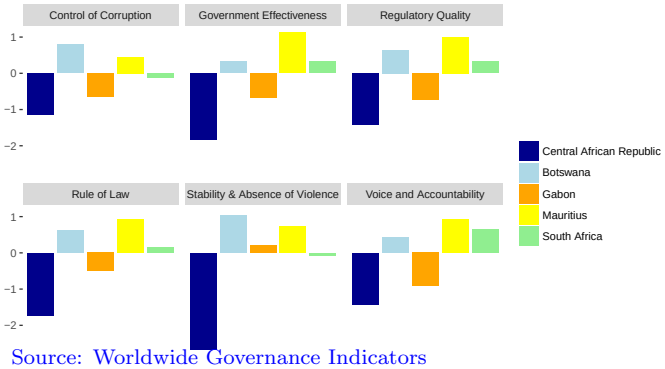
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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 (Agriculture)	21.8	21.6
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	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

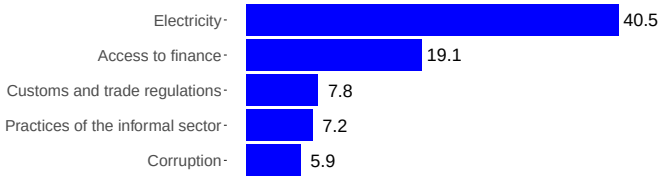
Private Sector's Views

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
(% 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

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Most Recent

Product	Document Date
None	

Planned

Product	Concept Review Date	Board Date
CF-Country Engagement Note for CAR	2015-04-24	2015-07-30

WB Lending Pipeline

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Begin Appraisal	Commitment (US$M)	Latest Sort Overall Risk Rating	FY Expenses (US$K)	Cum Expenses (US$K)	FY Prob
None										

WB Portfolio

Active

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Closing Date	Commitment (US$M)	Undisbursed Balance (US$M)	Project Rating DO	Project Rating IP	Overall Risk	Months in Problem Status
None											

Closed

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Closing Date	Commitment (US$M)	Project Rating DO	Project Rating IP	IEG Outcome Rating
None									

WB ASA

Active

Task ID	Task Name	Team Leader	Management Approval Date	Product Line	RAS (Y/N)	Current Expenditure BB (US$K)	Current Expenditure Total (US$K)	Lifetime Expenditure BB (US$K)	Lifetime Expenditure Total (US$K)
None									

Closed

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None									

IFC ASA

Active

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	IP Approval Date	Expected End Date	Approval Value (in US$K)	Total Expenditures (in US$K)	Current FY Expenditure (in US$K)
601345	Central African Republic Investment Climate Project	Courchesne, Monique	—	—	0	0	0

Pipeline

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	IP Approval Date	Expected End Date	Approval Value (in US$K)	Total Expenditures (in US$K)	Current FY Expenditure (in US$K)
None							

Closed

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	IP Approval Date	Expected End Date	Approval Value (in US$K)	Total Expenditures (in US$K)	Current FY Expenditure (in US$K)
554491	CAR Investment Climate Reform Program	Miyake, Maiko	2007-08-22	2012-09-30	922	945	0