T&C Snapshots Data Note

Gabon

	GDP (US$ billions) (2017)	Population (millions) (2017)	Land area (sq. km) (2014)	Income per capita (current US$) (2017)	Poverty rate (2005) [1]	Unemployment rate (2014)	Ease of Doing Business Rank (2016)
	14.5	1.8	257,670.0	8,072.9	8.0	19.7	162.0

Macro Indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
GDP growth (annual %)	2.20	5.60	4.30	4.10	5.10	5.30	
Current account balance	14.43	14.84	12.10	-3.20	-0.78	0.38	
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	6.79	1.65	2.45	-3.07	-0.99	-0.60	
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.10	—	—	—	—	—	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	101.39	105.00	110.68	96.32	94.33	94.65	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	2.06	0.48	4.66	2.10	2.50	2.70	

Investment indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	25.9	31.7	28.8	26.2	28.0	27.6	
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	24.8	29.2	26.6	—	—	—	
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	3.4	5.7	5.7	—	—	—	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	12.7	NA	—	—	—	—	

Trade Indicators

|	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	81.43	69.90	65.59	61.19	61.71	62.47	
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	15.21	0.73	1.72	3.46	2.39	1.63	
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	-1.57	-0.40	-0.60	0.00	4.20	5.30	
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	3.89	2.50	-3.70	-5.90	8.00	8.00	
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	2.39	—	—	—	—	—	

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

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015
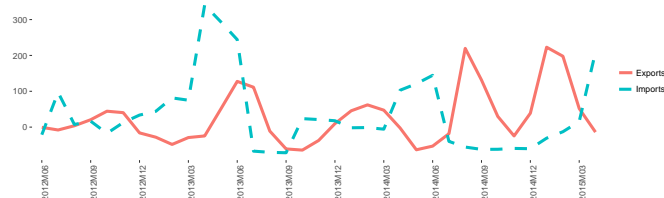
Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)

Other	Services	Agricul.
54	39	4 / 3
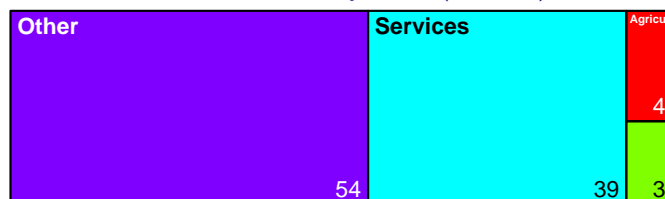
Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, NA

Data not available

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

Data not available

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Doing Business 2015
Distance to Frontier (DTF) and Rank

	DTF 2015	DTF 2016	DTF Change	Rank 2015	Rank 2016	Rank Change
Ease of Doing Business	**46.59**	**45.99**	**-0.6**	**156**	**162**	**-6**
Dealing with Construction Permits	64.11	53.31	-10.8	121	164	-43
Enforcing Contracts	35.29	35.29	0	171	171	0
Getting Credit	40	40	0	105	109	-4
Getting Electricity	47.3	46.88	-0.42	151	154	-3
Paying Taxes	57.75	55.23	-2.52	154	158	-4
Protecting Minority Investors	38.33	38.33	0	154	155	-1
Registering Property	31.13	38.63	7.5	180	173	7
Resolving Insolvency	36.29	36.29	0	120	120	0
Starting a Business	75.9	76.14	0.24	137	144	-7
Trading Across Borders	39.84	39.84	0	164	165	-1

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

WEF Competitiveness Indicators
(Scale 1-7, 7=best)

+ Gabon (Rank: 103)   + Sub–Saharan Africa (Avg Rank: 111.3)

Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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

■ 2014 (Rank: 160) ■ 2012 (Rank: 180)
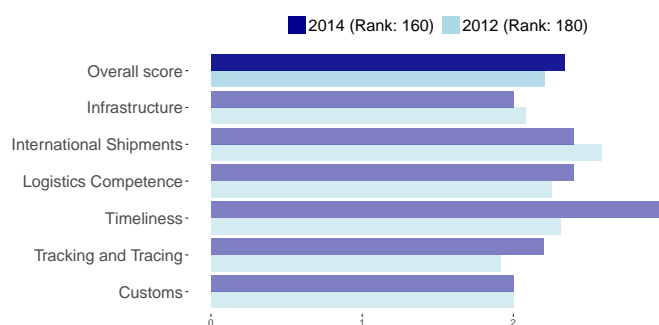
Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

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

Gabon
Botswana
Mauritius
Namibia
South Africa
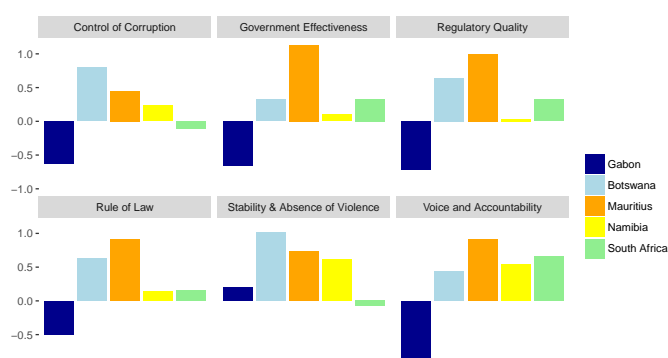
Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	18.5	—
Binding (%)	100	—
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	9.7	—
Import duties collected [1]	—	—
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	21.8	—
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	16.9	—
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	17.8	—
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	15

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector View

Enterprise Survey 2009

	Sub-Saharan Africa	Gabon	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	8.30	4.60	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	23.10	9.00	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.90	3.20	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	76.70	92.90	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	8.20	2.80	9.90

Source: Enterprise Survey 2009

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2009
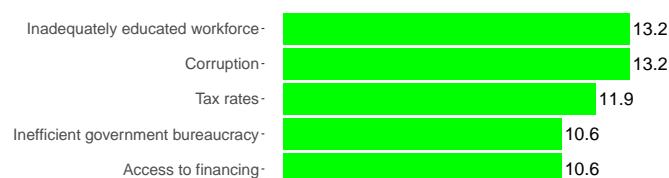### (% respondents)
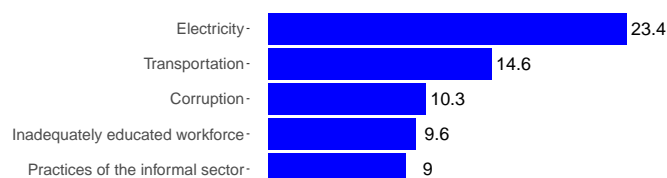
Source: Enterprise Survey 2009

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

Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015