



Snapshots Data Note



GDP (US\$ billions) (2016)	Population (millions)	Income per capita (current	Poverty rate (2012)	Unemployment rate (2014)
, , ,	(2016)	US\$) (2016)	, ,	` /
13.6	6.9	1,968.9	29.9	1.4

Macro Indicators

Wacro Indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
GDP growth (annual %)	7.21	8.02	8.52	7.46	6.38	6.98
Current account balance	-1.50	-4.41	-3.69	-2.04	-0.88	0.21
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-4.03	-1.28	-6.01	-3.77	-4.08	-3.76
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.36	0.63	0.53	_	_	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	86.75	99.26	105.52	103.76	104.93	103.99
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	7.65	4.26	6.36	4.15	2.00	4.00

Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	23.9	31.6	30.1	32.7	34.0	34.0
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	26.6	31.6	29.2	30.1	_	_
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	3.1	3.1	4.0	6.2	_	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	9.9	10.1	NA	_	_	_



Trade Indicators

Trade Indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	75.6	87.5	91.5	98.7	97.5	97.5
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-9.7	-9.8	-9.9	-10.5	-11.3	-10.5
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	9.4	12.9	14.0	16.0	4.0	8.1
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	7.2	21.9	13.0	15.8	6.0	6.2
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	5.6	4.3	3.4	_	_	_



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, NA

(among all countries)

Data not available

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

Data not available

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	41	42	-1
Ease of Doing Business Rank	139	134	5
Enforcing Contracts	92	92	0
Getting Credit	128	70	58
Getting Electricity	158	158	0
Paying Taxes	127	127	0
Protecting Minority Investors	177	178	-1
Registering Property	65	66	-1
Resolving Insolvency	189	189	0
Starting a Business	145	153	-8
Trading Across Borders	108	108	0

Doing Business 2015 Ranks

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS) Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

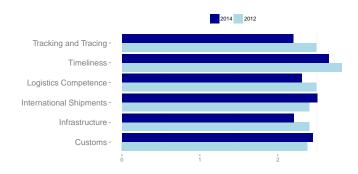
WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(Scale 1-5, 5=best)

Health and primary educat. Labor mrkt efficiency. Technol. Readiness Macroec. environment 3: Fin. mrkt development 2: Business sophist. Goods mrkt efficiency Higher educat. and training + Lao PDR Innovation Market size + East Asia & Pacific Infrastructure

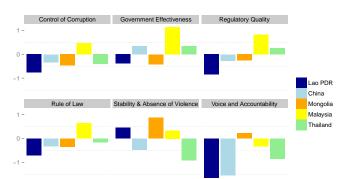
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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

	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	4.5
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	9.0
Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]	4.2
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	19.9
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	8.1
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	9.7
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	79.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

	Lao PDR	East Asia and Pacific	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	2.30	3.50	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	32.60	35.00	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.30	12.80	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	81.00	74.70	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	5.80	6.70	9.90

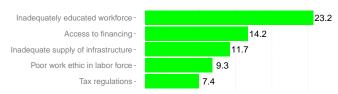
Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondants)



Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

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



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015



T&C Snapshots Operations Note

T&C Product Line Operations Board Approved Within The Last 3 Fiscal Years

Status of Operations

By number of projects

Active Closed

ASA IBRD

3 - 2 - 1 - 0 - Active Closed

By amount in thousands of US\$ (ASA IBRD products not included)

No data available

Sources: IBRD Operations, IFC group Operations

Financing

Project ID	Project Name	Approval Date	Status	Major Sector	Major Theme	Amount (in US\$ K)
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Advisory Services and Analytics (ASA) IBRD

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P150968	Services- Manufacturing Linkages	2016-03-24	Active	Industry and trade	Trade and integration	
P150969	Incidence and impact of NTMs	2016-03-24	Active	Public Administration, Law, and Justice	Rule of law	_
P150970	Trade and Employment Linkages	2016-03-24	Active	Industry and trade	Trade and integration	_
P125045	Lao PDR TTFA	2014-05-12	Closed	Transportation	Financial and private sector development	_
P130772	Lao PDR National Single Window	2013-11-10	Closed	Public Administration, Law, and Justice	Public sector governance	_
P133659	Lao PDR ICA 2014 Update	2015-02-08	Closed	Public Administration, Law, and Justice	Economic management	_

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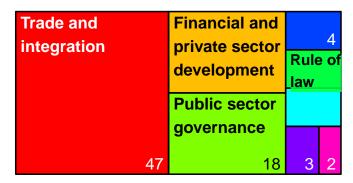
Major sectors and themes

Operations by sector, in percent

Industry and trade Public Administration, Law, and Justice 22 7 Finance Energy and 6 mining 1

Source: IBRD Operations database

Operations by theme, in percent



Source: IBRD Operations database

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