



# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



# Gambia, The

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Poverty rate	Unemployment
billions) (2016)	(millions)	capita (current	(2003)	rate (2014)
	(2016)	US\$) (2016)		
0.83	2.06	404.62	45.29	7.00

### **Macro Indicators**

Macro findicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
GDP growth (annual %)	3.2	5.6	4.8	-0.5	4.0	4.5
Current account balance	-6.2	-7.9	-10.8	-13.1	-14.1	-11.8
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-3.3	-4.4	-8.7	-14.0	-9.5	-4.4
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	9.8	15.4	_	_	_	_
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	116.2	92.5	85.5	78.5	78.8	76.6
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	6.9	4.3	5.7	5.9	6.5	5.8



### **Investment indicators**

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	28.2	22.5	20.8	19.4	16.6	14.7
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	25.5	23.4	21.9		_	_
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	6.9	10.2	4.2	3.3	_	_
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	21.4	8.2	NA		_	



Trade Indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	76.41	70.83	66.85	63.39	58.16	59.65
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-14.70	-12.66	-11.53	-10.18	-10.17	-10.19
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	-0.68	17.74	-0.35	-4.30	-6.20	7.70
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	0.65	8.87	-1.63	-6.60	-3.40	6.80
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	5.25	6.06	_		_	_



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

Fish, frozen		Fish, fresh (live	Groundnuts	Waste &	
(excluding		or dead) or chill	(peanuts),	scrap of	
fillets and			not roasted o	cast iron	
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				Other wheat	
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### Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods	Intermediate goods	Raw materials	10
		Capital	
69	13	goods	9

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	115	117	-2
Ease of Doing Business Rank	150	151	-1
Enforcing Contracts	110	110	0
Getting Credit	160	162	-2
Getting Electricity	152	153	-1
Paying Taxes	179	177	2
Protecting Minority Investors	162	163	-1
Registering Property	123	124	-1
Resolving Insolvency	110	111	-1
Starting a Business	155	169	-14
Trading Across Borders	103	104	-1

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

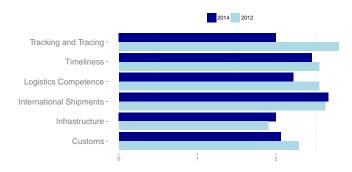
## WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(Scale 1-5, 5=best)

# Health and primary educat. Labor mrkt efficiency. Technol. Readiness 4 Macroec. environment Fin. mrkt development 2 Institutions Business sophist. Goods mrkt efficiency Higher educat. and training + Gambia, The Innovation Market size Sub-Saharan Africa Infrastructure

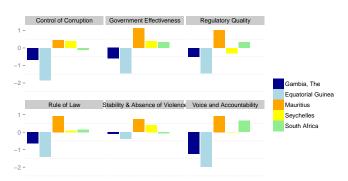
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

# 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**

	2010	2013
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	15.5	15.6
Binding $(\%)$	13.7	13.7
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	7.5	7.6
Import duties collected (%, 2007-2009) [1]	_	9.0
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	16.5	16.8
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	13.5	13.4
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	14	14.0
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	110.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

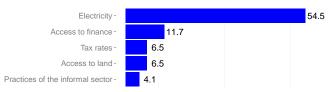
### Private Sector's Views

### **Enterprise Survey 2013**

	Sub-Sanaran Africa	Gambia, The	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	8.30	21.00	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	23.10	16.60	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.90	9.80	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	76.70	78.70	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	8.20	7.30	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

