

# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



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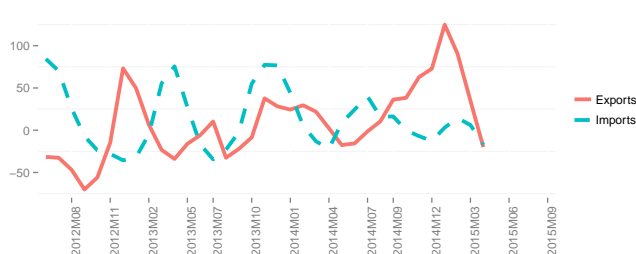
GDP (US\$ billions) (2015)	Population (millions) (2015)	Income per capita (current US\$) (2015)	Poverty rate (2013)	Unemployment rate (2015)	Ease of Doing Business Rank (2015)
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## Macro Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
GDP growth (annual %)	5.095	-6.609	-1.912	4.300	1.718	6.060	
Current account balance	4.419	4.017	6.309	3.808	-0.296	0.641	
Cash surplus/deficit (% of GDP)	-6.236	-4.501	-5.098	-5.769	-6.348	-6.421	
Gross Fixed Investment (% GDP)	30.930	26.267	24.942	23.990	24.076	23.851	
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	38.384	38.205	32.087	33.391	—	—	
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	1.241	0.837	0.619	0.531	—	—	
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	4.631	3.608	—	—	—	—	
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	48.735	35.611	33.049	40.907	45.490	48.914	
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	1.177	1.507	4.777	4.303	5.510	7.324	
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	2.425	-20.463	-0.039	24.661	14.743	16.951	
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	6.463	-23.100	-18.683	35.036	11.098	10.333	
Personal remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.422	—	—	—	—	—	
General government gross debt [3]	13.695	16.787	15.398	15.757	16.356	15.278	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	88.528	119.771	99.740	91.791	98.776	116.981	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	15.337	25.976	39.266	17.235	9.476	9.476	

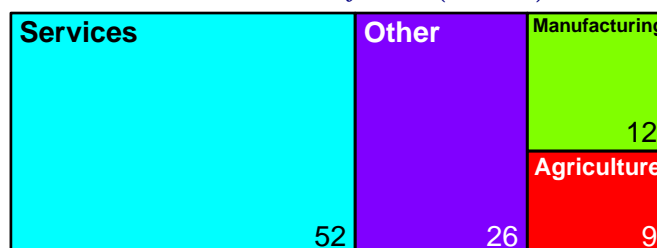
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

## 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

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## Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

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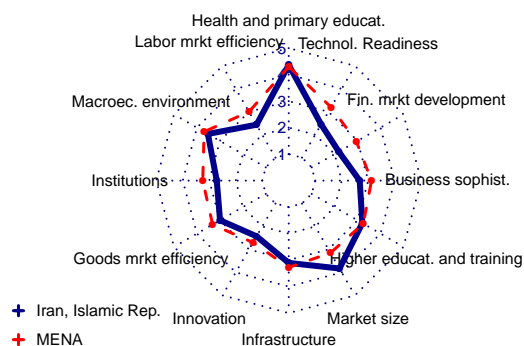
Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

## Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	98	69	29
Ease of Doing Business Rank	119	118	1
Enforcing Contracts	62	62	0
Getting Credit	90	97	-7
Getting Electricity	94	88	6
Paying Taxes	122	123	-1
Protecting Minority Investors	149	150	-1
Registering Property	89	91	-2
Resolving Insolvency	137	140	-3
Starting a Business	82	87	-5
Trading Across Borders	166	167	-1

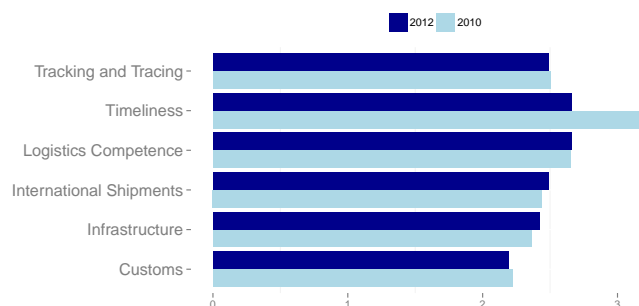
Source: Doing Business Report 2015

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



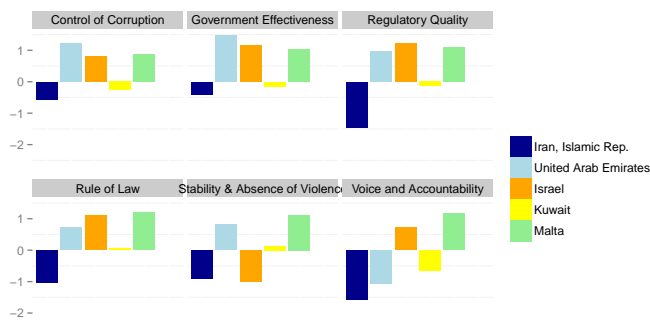
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

## 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

	2011
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	20.9
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	27
Import duties collected (% , 2007-2009) [1]	7.1
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	30.4
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	26.3
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	26.6
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

## Private Sector's Views

### Enterprise Survey 2013

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Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

### Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondents)

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



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015