



Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



Belarus

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Poverty rate	Unemployment
billions) (2016)	(millions)	capita (current	(2012)	rate (2014)
	(2016)	US\$) (2016)		
57.4	9.5	6,054.9	0.0	5.9

Macro Indicators

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GDP growth (annual %)	7.27	1.73	1.07	1.59	-3.50	-0.50
Current account balance	-5.56	-2.93	-10.35	-6.81	-4.15	-3.21
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	1.10	1.68	0.13	1.12	1.79	0.12
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.99	1.66	1.66	1.62	_	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	116.37	81.35	87.39	96.51	92.65	88.38
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	24.11	59.14	18.33	18.32	16.50	15.50

Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	36.7	49.0	53.1	47.6	43.3	43.2	
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	33.6	35.4	39.3	33.5	_	_	
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	2.6	2.2	3.1	2.4	_	_	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	8.0	7.0	NA	_	_	_	



Trade Indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	148.4	178.4	160.6	148.7	131.5	130.1
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-17.9	-32.6	-39.4	-33.7	-29.1	-28.1
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	7.9	11.2	-16.0	-3.6	-14.0	-1.0
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	11.1	10.9	-4.2	-7.4	-15.0	-2.0
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	1.4	1.9	1.6	1.3	_	_



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

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Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods		Intermediate goods	Capital goods
30	28	21	20

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

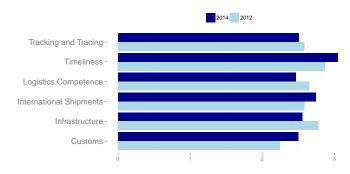
	$\mathrm{DB}\ 2015\ \mathrm{Rank}$	$\mathrm{DB}\ 2016\ \mathrm{Rank}$	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	34	34	0
Ease of Doing Business Rank	43	44	-1
Enforcing Contracts	29	29	0
Getting Credit	105	109	-4
Getting Electricity	85	89	-4
Paying Taxes	60	63	-3
Protecting Minority Investors	54	57	-3
Registering Property	6	7	-1
Resolving Insolvency	68	69	-1
Starting a Business	39	12	27
Trading Across Borders	25	25	0

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

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

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





Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

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

Control of Corruption Government Effectiveness Regulatory Quality Belarus Azerbaijan Rule of Law Stability & Absence of Violence Voice and Accountability Bulgaria Kazakhstan Turkey

Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	7.5	6.7
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	10	8.4
Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]	_	3.3
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	11.8	10.2
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	8.5	7.7
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	9	8
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	_

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

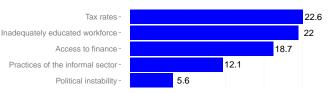
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	Europe and Central Asia	Belarus	All Countries
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	2	0.10	6.30
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	_	30.40	34.30
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	_	14.30	14.30
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	_	78.20	71.80
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	_	13.70	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)

Data not available

Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

