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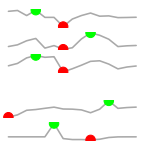
T&C Snapshots Data Note

United Arab Emirates

GDP (US$ billions) (2017)	Population (millions) (2017)	Land area (sq. km) (2014)	Income per capita (current US$) (2017)	Unemployment rate (2014)	Ease of Doing Business Rank (2016)
422.8	9.4	83,600.0	44,986.9	3.6	31.0

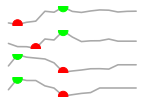
Macro Indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP growth (annual %)	4.31	4.28	4.58	2.97	3.10	3.30
Current account balance	7.46	18.47	13.74	5.00	5.90	6.30
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	6.46	10.43	4.96	-2.94	0.17	1.78
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	—	—	—	—	—	—
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	93.30	99.90	114.40	101.38	102.81	103.53
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	3.25	1.10	2.34	2.77	2.80	2.80



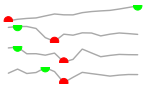
Investment indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	19.5	24.5	24.3	23.1	23.5	23.6
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	22.7	23.2	24.3	—	—	—
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	3.7	2.6	2.5	—	—	—
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	17.8	NA	—	—	—	—



Trade Indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	122.6	183.8	188.5	201.2	215.8	230.5
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	15.2	10.1	12.2	13.7	12.9	12.0
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	11.3	5.7	8.3	10.2	9.7	9.5
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	14.6	10.5	6.2	9.5	11.5	11.3
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	—	—	—	—	—	—



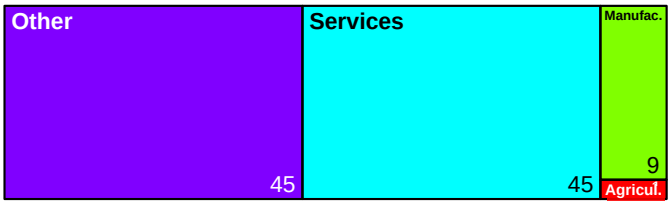
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015

Data not available

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

Data not available

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

Data not available

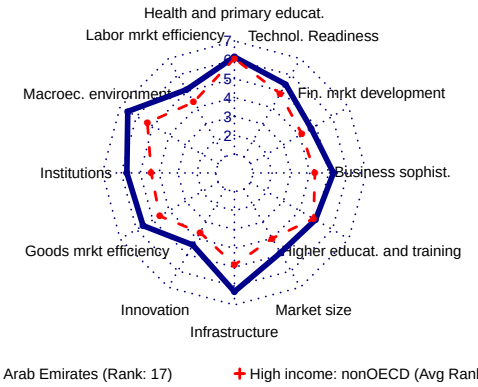
Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

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	**74.33**	**75.1**	**0.77**	**32**	**31**	**1**
Dealing with Construction Permits	87.79	88.79	1	3	2	1
Enforcing Contracts	70.58	73.22	2.64	27	18	9
Getting Credit	45	45	0	90	97	-7
Getting Electricity	94.95	95.28	0.33	4	4	0
Paying Taxes	99.44	99.44	0	1	1	0
Protecting Minority Investors	56.67	60	3.33	64	49	15
Registering Property	89.16	89.23	0.07	10	10	0
Resolving Insolvency	43.51	43.74	0.23	90	91	-1
Starting a Business	89.97	89.98	0.01	57	60	-3
Trading Across Borders	66.27	66.27	0	100	101	-1

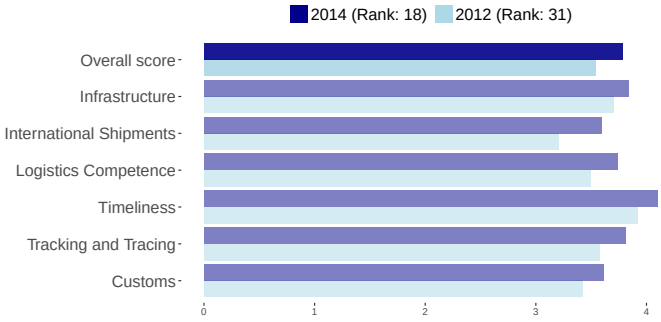
Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

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



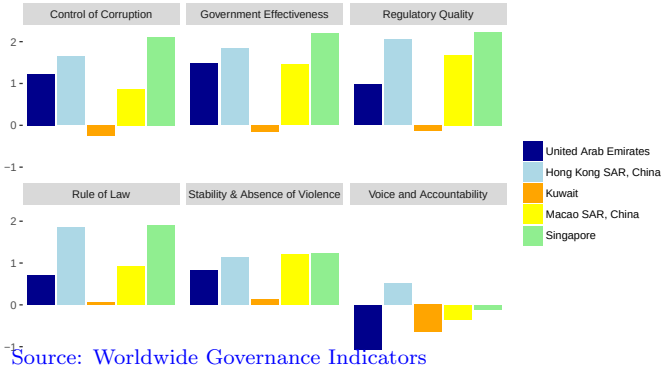
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	4.76	4.0
Binding (%)	99.98	100.0
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	2.9	11.7
Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]	—	1.0
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	5.11	5.5
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	4.7	4.6
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	4.72	4.7
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	—	46.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector View

Enterprise Survey NA

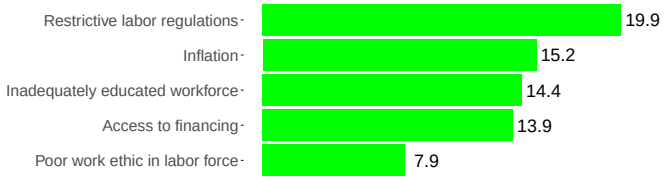
Source: Enterprise Survey NA

Top 5 constraints according to ES NA
(% respondants)

Data not available

Source: Enterprise Survey NA

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



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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Most Recent

Product	Document Date
None	

Planned

Product	Concept Review Date	Board Date
None		

WB Lending Pipeline

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Begin Appraisal	Commitment (US$M)	Latest Sort Overall Risk Rating	FY Expenses (US$K)	Cum Expenses (US$K)	FY Prob
None										

WB Portfolio

Active

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Closing Date	Commitment (US$M)	Undisbursed Balance (US$M)	Project Rating DO	Project Rating IP	Overall Risk	Months in Problem Status
None											

Closed

Project ID	Project Name	Team Leader	Approval Date	Lending Inst. Type	Closing Date	Commitment (US$M)	Project Rating DO	Project Rating IP	IEG Outcome Rating
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WB ASA

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Task ID	Task Name	Team Leader	Concept Approval Date	Output Approval Date	Product Line	RAS (Y/N)	Current Expenditure BB (US$K)	Current Expenditure Total (US$K)	Lifetime Expenditure BB (US$K)	Lifetime Expenditure Total (US$K)
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IFC ASA

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