



# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



## Albania

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Poverty rate	Unemployment	Ease of Doing
billions) (2015)	(millions)	capita (current	(2012)	rate (2015)	Business Rank
	(2015)	US\$) (2015)			(2015)
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#### Macro Indicators

Macro Indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
GDP growth (annual %)	5.17	1.62	1.11	2.12	2.70	3.36	
Current account balance	15.26	21.36	20.88	13.79	16.09	19.42	
Cash surplus/deficit (% of GDP)	-5.03	-3.38	-5.16	-5.81	-5.05	-2.27	~~~
Gross Fixed Investment (% GDP)	34.58	28.33	27.43	26.27	27.68	28.91	_
Gross capital formation (% of GDP) [1]	36.23	28.33	28.36	24.76	_	_	-
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (% of GDP) [2]	5.55	6.93	9.81	8.27	_	_	•
Private capital flows, total (% of GDP) [2]	15.49	21.80	_	_	_	_	
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	84.41	99.44	104.52	92.00	87.19	90.09	•
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-22.92	-11.40	-10.58	-12.05	-10.53	-10.29	
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	14.09	-0.64	7.89	-13.09	-1.51	7.59	-
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	9.46	-6.58	4.99	-7.67	-3.55	6.17	•
Personal remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	13.35	8.34	8.56	8.64	_	_	
General government gross debt [3]	57.70	62.02	70.09	72.52	73.31	70.19	
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	4.61	5.04	5.27	4.70	_	_	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	101.85	97.90	97.19	99.21	98.12	99.60	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	3.08	2.05	1.92	1.63	2.92	2.48	

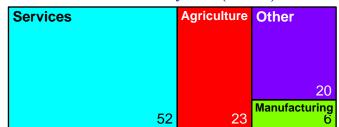
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

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

Johnston goods	Intermediate goods	Capital goods		
59	22	11	8	

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	122	189	-67
Ease of Doing Business Rank	62	97	-35
Enforcing Contracts	96	96	0
Getting Credit	36	42	-6
Getting Electricity	159	162	-3
Paying Taxes	130	142	-12
Protecting Minority Investors	18	8	10
Registering Property	104	107	-3
Resolving Insolvency	40	42	-2
Starting a Business	54	58	-4
Trading Across Borders	37	37	0

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

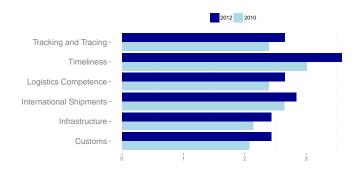
## WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(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 + Albania Innovation Market size - Europe & Cen. Asia 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	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	5.8	1.2
Binding $(\%)$	100	100.0
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	5.8	5.5
Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]		1.2
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	7.9	7.8
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	4.7	3.3
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	5	3.8
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	108.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

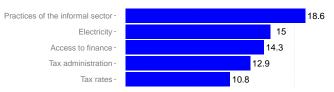
## Private Sector's Views

## **Enterprise Survey 2013**

ŀ	Europe and Central Asia	All Countries	Albania	
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	2	6.30	4.20	_
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	_	34.30	28.20	
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	_	14.30	4.50	
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	_	71.80	80.60	
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	_	9.90	6.70	

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

