



Snapshots Data Note



Lesotho

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Poverty rate	Unemployment
billions) (2017)	(millions)	capita (current	(2010)	rate (2014)
	(2017)	US\$) (2017)		
2.7	2.2	1,246.3	59.6	26.2

Macro Indicators

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	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
GDP growth (annual %)	4.1	3.6	2.2	2.6	2.8	4.5	
Current account balance	5.6	-11.4	-12.1	-19.8	-18.1	-19.2	_
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	1.9	-2.5	2.9	-7.0	-10.3	-6.6	_
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	37.9	20.9	17.4	_	_	_	•
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	94.5	77.4	74.3	73.6	71.3	69.4	
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	7.5	5.6	2.6	4.1	5.0	5.0	_

Investment indicators

	Avg $2003-2012$	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	29.6	31.5	34.1	34.2	34.7	34.6	
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	25.7	33.1			_	_	
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	4.8	2.3	2.2		_	_	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	20.2	NA	_	_	_	_	

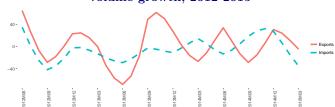
Trade Indicators

	Avg 2003-2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	176.9	178.5	183.7	189.7	197.7	198.4
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	-77.2	-85.5	-90.2	-96.3	-102.3	-105.7
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	8.8	1.3	2.8	2.4	5.0	1.6
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	3.5	14.6	6.0	7.1	7.8	6.0
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	4.7	5.4		_		



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

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

Data not available

Imports Categories by % of Total Value, NA

Data not available

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	173	172	1
Ease of Doing Business Rank	110	114	-4
Enforcing Contracts	85	85	0
Getting Credit	150	152	-2
Getting Electricity	146	147	-1
Paying Taxes	108	109	-1
Protecting Minority Investors	98	99	-1
Registering Property	107	108	-1
Resolving Insolvency	117	117	0
Starting a Business	107	112	-5
Trading Across Borders	35	36	-1

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

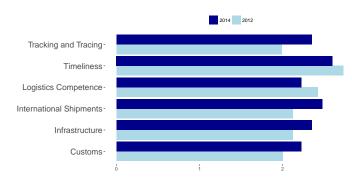
WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(Scale 1-5, 5=best)

Health and primary educat. Labor mrkt efficiency. Technol. Readiness 4 Macroec. environment Pin. mrkt development 2 Institutions Business sophist. Goods mrkt efficiency. Higher educat. and training Lesotho Innovation Market size Sub–Saharan Africa Infrastructure

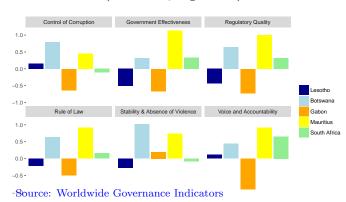
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

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



Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

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



Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	10.7	3.3
Binding (%)	100	100
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	15	13.1
Import duties collected [1]	_	_
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	8.9	9.1
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	7.6	7.5
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	7.7	7.7
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	80

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

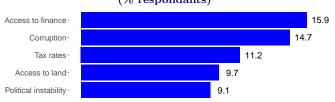
Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2009

	Sub-Saharan Africa	Lesotho	All Countries	
Number of electrical outages in a typical month	8.30	4.10	6.30	_
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit	23.10	32.20	34.30	
Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)	9.90	23.30	14.30	
Proportion of investment financed internally (%)	76.70	50.90	71.80	
Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%)	8.20	5.60	9.90	

Source: Enterprise Survey 2009

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2009 (% respondants)



Source: Enterprise Survey 2009

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



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

