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| INCOME AND ECONOMIC GROWTH | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GDP growth (annual %) | 7.3 | 7.5 | 8.5 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 0.5 | 2.2 |
| GDP per capita growth (annual %, real) | 5.6 | 5.7 | 6.8 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 4.6 | 4.0 | -1.0 | 0.8 |
| GDP per capita (US\$, nominal) | 964.5 | 948.7 | 1140.6 | 1378.4 | 1581.4 | 1825.7 | 1998.3 | 2134.7 | 2308.8 | 2423.8 | 2542.6 | 2639.9 | 2491.8 | 2469.7 |
| MONEY AND PRICES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Inflation, consumer prices (annual %, MRV) ^{1,3} | 6.5 | 3.9 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 4.5 | 6.4 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 6.3 | 3.2 | 4.7 |
| Inflation, consumer prices (annual %, period average) ³ | 7.8 | 0.1 | 6.0 | 7.6 | 4.3 | 6.4 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| Broad Money (% of GDP) ² | 31.4 | 30.6 | 35.9 | 38.8 | 43.8 | 44.5 | 49.1 | 51.6 | 52.5 | 56.6 | 61.1 | 68.2 | 80.5 | 76.8 |
| Domestic Credit to the Private Sector (% of GDP) ² | 9.8 | 17.2 | 20.9 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 10 year interest rate (annual average) ³ | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Nominal Exchange Rate (local currency per USD) | 9005.3 | 8516.1 | 8258.8 | 8030.1 | 8007.8 | 7860.1 | 8049.0 | 8147.9 | 8179.3 | 8351.5 | 8489.2 | 8679.4 | 9707.0 | 10289.4 |
| Real Exchange Rate Index (2015=100) | 57.9 | 60.0 | 67.0 | 70.1 | 75.6 | 84.4 | 89.6 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 97.2 | 93.1 | 97.4 | 89.6 | 86.8 |
| FISCAL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue (% of GDP) | 17.5 | 18.8 | 22.0 | 19.2 | 22.4 | 20.2 | 21.9 | 20.2 | 16.0 | 16.1 | 16.2 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 12.0 |
| Expenditure (% of GDP) | 20.4 | 22.2 | 23.6 | 20.7 | 24.7 | 24.2 | 25.0 | 25.8 | 21.1 | 21.6 | 20.9 | 18.6 | 17.9 | 16.7 |
| Interest Payments (% of GDP) | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.1 |
| Non-Interest Expenditure (% of GDP) | 19.6 | 21.6 | 22.9 | 20.0 | 23.9 | 23.3 | 24.1 | 24.8 | 19.9 | 20.2 | 19.3 | 16.8 | 16.1 | 14.6 |
| Overall Fiscal Balance (% of GDP) | -2.9 | -3.4 | -1.5 | -1.5 | -2.3 | -4.0 | -3.1 | -5.6 | -5.1 | -5.5 | -4.7 | -3.2 | -5.2 | -4.7 |
| Primary Fiscal Balance (% of GDP) | -2.1 | -2.8 | -0.8 | -0.8 | -1.6 | -3.1 | -2.2 | -4.6 | -3.8 | -4.1 | -3.0 | -1.5 | -3.5 | -2.6 |
| General Government Debt (% of GDP) | 68.1 | 57.2 | 51.9 | 44.0 | 46.1 | 49.5 | 53.5 | 53.1 | 54.2 | 55.8 | 57.2 | 58.4 | 64.4 | 65.1 |
| External Public Debt (% of GDP) ² | 55.6 | 53.8 | 48.6 | 41.9 | 41.7 | 45.8 | 45.6 | 45.4 | 48.0 | 49.3 | 51.4 | 52.5 | 57.5 | 58.9 |
| EXTERNAL ACCOUNTS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Export growth, G&S (nominal US\$, annual %) | 17.9 | -2.9 | 55.7 | 6.5 | 18.0 | 7.4 | 32.6 | 11.3 | 12.9 | 11.3 | 9.9 | -0.3 | 1.2 | 13.9 |
| Import growth, G&S (nominal US\$, annual %) | 19.3 | 5.7 | 45.5 | 18.5 | 37.5 | 8.5 | 49.1 | 10.2 | -5.3 | 6.1 | 7.9 | 0.3 | -14.7 | 18.0 |
| Merchandise exports (% of GDP) | 20.5 | 18.0 | 24.5 | 21.2 | 21.5 | 19.0 | 24.7 | 25.4 | 26.9 | 29.5 | 30.5 | 29.5 | 31.9 | 32.1 |
| Merchandise imports (% of GDP) | 29.2 | 25.0 | 28.9 | 27.7 | 29.9 | 25.5 | 37.5 | 39.4 | 34.0 | 39.4 | 38.9 | 36.9 | 32.1 | 34.9 |
| Services, net (% of GDP) | 3.8 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 2.5 | -0.9 | -2.3 | -2.9 | -1.6 | -1.2 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 1.5 |
| Current account balance (current US\$ millions) | -394.7 | -60.9 | 29.3 | -206.4 | -745.4 | -936.0 | -1924.5 | -2267.6 | -1384.6 | -2031.8 | -2056.1 | -1462.1 | -440.1 | -728.5 |
| Current account balance (% of GDP) | -4.0 | -1.0 | 0.4 | -2.4 | -7.3 | -7.8 | -14.5 | -15.8 | -8.8 | -12.1 | -11.5 | -7.7 | -2.4 | -4.0 |
| Foreign Direct Investment, net inflows (% of GDP) | 3.9 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 3.4 | 6.1 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 7.5 | 5.9 | 10.0 | 7.6 | 4.1 | .. | .. |
| External debt, total (% of GDP) ² | 109.4 | 109.4 | 91.9 | 80.9 | 72.8 | 68.6 | 72.7 | 80.9 | 85.6 | 87.2 | 85.6 | 91.5 | .. | .. |
| Multilateral debt (% of total external debt) ² | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Debt service ratio (% of exports goods and non-factor services) ² | 14.1 | 15.4 | 13.1 | 12.8 | 9.0 | 10.9 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 10.7 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 7.2 | .. | .. |

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| POPULATION, EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Population, total (millions) | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.4 |
| Population Growth (annual %) | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Unemployment Rate ² | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.0 | .. |
| International poverty rate (\$1.9 in 2011 PPP) ⁴ | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14.5 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.7 |
| Lower middle-income poverty rate (\$3.2 in 2011 PPP) ⁴ | .. | .. | .. | .. | 46.6 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 37.4 | 36.8 | 36.9 | 36.8 |
| Upper middle-income poverty rate (\$5.5 in 2011 PPP) ⁴ | .. | .. | .. | .. | 78.7 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 70.4 | 69.8 | 70.0 | 69.8 |
| OTHER | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GDP (current LCU, millions) | 51503627.5 | 49673410.0 | 58866800.0 | 70256890.0 | 81609860.0 | 93867570.0 | 106797290.0 | 117252000.0 | 129279000.0 | 140748996.3 | 152418189.1 | 164272628.5 | 175991573.9 | 187513796.2 |
| GDP (current US\$, millions) | 6061.1 | 5832.9 | 7127.8 | 8749.2 | 10191.3 | 11942.2 | 13268.5 | 14390.4 | 15805.7 | 16853.1 | 17954.3 | 18926.7 | 18130.4 | 18223.9 |
| GDP per capita LCU (real) | 10089375.8 | 10478991.8 | 11189554.1 | 11901635.7 | 12663430.8 | 13477451.9 | 14288300.7 | 15096502.6 | 15909648.0 | 16744054.9 | 17517442.0 | 18210146.2 | 18032247.8 | 18175042.7 |
| Human Development Index Ranking ⁵ | 137.2 | 139 | 141 | 141 | 139 | 139 | 138 | 136 | 136 | 137 | 137 | 137 | .. | .. |
| CPIA (overall rating) ² | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.0 | .. | .. |
| Economic Management ² | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.7 | .. | .. |
| Structural Policies ² | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.0 | .. | .. |
| Policies for Social Inclusion and Equity ² | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.4 | .. | .. |
| Public Sector Management and Institutions ² | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.8 | .. | .. |

Notes: ".." indicates not available. E = estimate, F = forecast. Data from MFMOD unless otherwise noted

1/ Used latest month available.

2/ World Development Indicators Database and World Bank Staff Estimates

3/ World Bank GEM database; MRV = Most recent value

4/ Calculations based on EAPPOV harmonization, using 2012-LECS and 2018-LECS. Projection using annualized elasticity (2012-2018) with pass-through = 0.7 based on GDP per capita in constant LCU. Actual data: 2018. Nowcast: 2019-2020. Forecast are from 2021 to 2023.

5/ The HDI ranking in 2001 is in relation to 175 countries and in 2010 in relation to 169 countries. Methodological enhancements in HDI calculations have resulted in notable improvements in the countries' rankings.

Sources: MFMOD Database, World Bank WDI and GEM databases, IMF.