South Africa: Economic indicators and trade with EU

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The Ease of Doing Business’s ‘distance to frontier’ score assesses the overall level of regulatory performance of a country. It ranges from 0—‘lowest performance’ to 100—‘the frontier’, the best performance observed worldwide at each year.

The Human Development Index (HDI) measures the average achievement in key dimensions of human development. It is based on life expectancy at birth, average duration of education and GDP per capita. It ranges from 0 to 100. ‘High human development countries’ (UN) are in the range between 70 and 80.

The Corruption Perception Index measures the perceived levels of public sector corruption worldwide. Scores range from 0 (highly corrupt) to 100 (very clean). In 2015, two thirds of the countries score below 50.

The GINI Index measures the deviation of the distribution of income among individuals or households within a country from a perfectly equal distribution. It is hence a measure of inequality in income distribution. A value of 0 represents absolute equality, a value of 100 absolute inequality.
### EU trade with South Africa

- **Exports (2005-2015)**
- **Imports (2005-2015)**

### Main trade partners (2015)

**Trade in goods, exports plus imports**

- **EU**
- **US**
- **China**
- **South Africa**
- **Brazil**
- **India**
- **Other APEC countries**
- **Saudi Arabia**
- **Botswana**
- **Nambia**
- **Nigeria**
- **Japan**
- **Others**

### Top EU partners (2015)

**Trade in goods**

- **DE**
- **US**

### EU external aid to South Africa (2014, disbursement)

- **Development Cooperation Instrument-Geographic**
- **Development Cooperation Instrument-Thematic**
- **Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR)**
- **Others**

### Preferential loans to South Africa

- **EIB Finance contracts signed with South Africa 2014-2015 (€ million)**

### EU imports from South Africa

- **EU imports from South Africa**

### EU exports to South Africa

- **EU exports to South Africa**

### Other products

- **Articles of iron or steel**
- **Chemicals**
- **Plastic articles**
- **Oil, gas, coal**
- **Optical instruments**
- **Pharmaceutical products**
- **Agri-food**

### EU imports of goods from South Africa (2015)

- **Other products**

### EU exports of goods to South Africa (2015)

- **Boilers and appliances**
- **Cars and trucks**

### EU exports to South Africa (%)

- **Articles of iron or steel**
- **Chemicals**
- **Plastic articles**
- **Oil, gas, coal**
- **Optical instruments**
- **Pharmaceutical products**
- **Agri-food**

### EU imports from South Africa (%)

- **Articles of iron or steel**
- **Chemicals**
- **Plastic articles**
- **Oil, gas, coal**
- **Optical instruments**
- **Pharmaceutical products**
- **Agri-food**

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**Notes**

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Data sources for page 2: EU trade with South Africa, Main trade partners (EU), Top EU partners (goods), EU exports to South Africa (%) and EU imports from South Africa (%) are from ComExt, Eurostat; Other APEC members = Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam; main trade partners (South Africa) are from IMF; EU external aid to South Africa (2014, disbursement) are from European Commission; Preferential loans to South Africa are from European Investment Bank (EIB).

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