## Syrian Arab Republic

### TRADE

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<td>Inflation, consumer prices (annual %)</td>
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### EXPORTS & IMPORTS


![Graph showing export and import volume index 1980-2018](chart.png)

**Source:** World Development Indicators (WDI)

#### TOP 5 EXPORTS BY % OF TOTAL VALUE, 2010

- **Fuels:** 49.89
- **Textiles and Clothing:** 10.55
- **Vegetables:** 9.93
- **Food Products:** 6.99
- **Chemicals:** 4.87

**Source:** World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

#### IMPORT CATEGORIES BY % OF TOTAL VALUE, 2010

- **Consumer goods:** 38.9
- **Intermediate goods:** 35.43
- **Capital goods:** 15.53
- **Raw materials:** 9.77

**Source:** World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

### BUSINESS ACTIVITY

#### GROSS VALUE ADDED BY ECONOMIC ACTIVITY 2009 (% GDP)

- **Services:** 692.25

**Source:** World Development Indicators

### DOING BUSINESS 2018

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**Source:** Doing Business Report 2018

Note: As per Doing Business, rankings are calculated for Doing Business 2018 only. Year-to-year changes in the number of economies, number of indicators and methodology affect the comparability of prior years.
WORLDWIDE GOVERNANCE INDICATORS (WORLD BANK)
Compared with region's top 4 performers, 2017

Control of Corruption
Government Effectiveness
Regulatory Quality

STEYAN AR REPUBLIC
ENGLIST
QATAR
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MALTA
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
QATAR
ENGLIST
STEYAN AR REPUBLIC

TIMELINESS
Logistics competence
Infrastructure
Tracking and tracing
Intl. shipments
Customs

SOURCE: LOGISTICS PERFORMANCE INDEX (WORLD BANK)

TRADE POLICY

2011  2015

MFN Tariff (Simple Average) \(^1\)  
MFN Tariff (Agriculture) \(^1\)  
MFN Tariff (Non-agriculture) \(^1\)  
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted) \(^2\)  
Import duties collected (% of tax revenue) \(^3\)

SOURCE: WDI (1), WITS (2), I-TIP SERVICES (3)

PRIVATE SECTOR VIEW

WEF COMPETITIVENESS INDICATORS 2011-2012

Health and primary education
Macroeconomic environment
Higher education and training
Goods market efficiency
Institutions
Infrastructure
Business sophistication
Technological readiness
Labor market efficiency
Financial market development
Innovation

SOURCE: WEF GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS REPORT 2011-2012

ENTERPRISE SURVEY 2009

Number of electrical outages in a typical month
Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit (%)
Proportion of investments financed by banks (%)
Proportion of investments financed internally (%)
Senior management time spent dealing with requirements of government regulation (%)

SOURCE: ENTERPRISE SURVEY 2009

TOP 5 CONSTRAINTS

ACCORDING TO ENTERPRISE SURVEY 2009 (% RESPONDENTS)

% of firms identifying corruption as the biggest obstacle
14.2

% of firms identifying inadequately educated workforce as the biggest obstacle
12.8

% of firms identifying electricity as the biggest obstacle
11.8

% of firms identifying practices of the informal sector as the biggest obstacle
11.2

% of firms identifying customs and trade regulations as the biggest obstacle
9.4

SOURCE: ENTERPRISE SURVEY 2009

ACCORDING TO WEF 2011 (% RESPONDENTS AMONG 88 EXECUTIVES)

Corruption
15.8

Inadequately Educated Workforce
15.4

Inefficient Government Bureaucracy
14.4

Poor Work Ethic in Labor Force
10.7

Restrictive Labor Regulations
10.7

SOURCE: WEF GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS REPORT 2011

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## World Bank | Loans | Portfolio Group
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### Task 1 Details

- Team Leader: John Doe
- Approval Line: Jane Smith
- Concept Approval Date: 2023-01-15
- Reimb. As: 100
- Approval Date: 2023-02-10
- Approval: Yes
- Output Product: Project Management
- Concept Approval Date: 2023-02-01
- Reimb. As: 100
- Approval Date: 2023-02-15
- Approval: Yes
- Output Product: Network Security

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- Team Leader: Mary Johnson
- Approval Line: Bob Davis
- Concept Approval Date: 2023-01-01
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- Approval: Yes
- Output Product: Technology
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- Output Product: Network Security

### Notes

- All tasks are marked as "ACTIVE" except for the closed tasks.
- The "Task Name" column is empty for most tasks.
- The "Team Leader" column shows the names of the project leaders.
- The "Approval Line" column shows the names of the approval lines.
- The "Concept Approval Date" and "Approval Date" columns show the dates on which the tasks were approved.
- The "Reimb. As" column indicates the reimbursement amount.
- The "Approval" column shows whether the approval was granted (Yes) or not (No).
- The "Output Product" column shows the nature of the output products.