

Country statistical profile: Korea 2011-2012

	Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Production and income									
Gross domestic product (GDP)	Bln USD curr. PPPs	965.8	1 039.1	1 096.7	1 173.0	1 269.1	1 306.4	1 322.7	1 417.5
GDP per capita	USD current PPPs	20 181	21 630	22 783	24 286	26 191	26 877	27 133	29 004
Gross national income (GNI) per capita	USD current PPPs	20 198	21 694	22 762	24 323	26 239	27 077	27 254	29 012
Household disposable income	Annual growth %	4.9	4.7	2.3	2.6	2.7	1.3	0.9	..
Economic growth									
Real GDP growth	Annual growth %	2.8	4.6	4.0	5.2	5.1	2.3	0.3	6.2
Net saving rate in household disposable income	%	5.2	9.2	7.2	5.2	2.9	2.9	3.6	..
Gross fixed capital formation	% of GDP	4.4	2.1	1.9	3.4	4.2	-1.9	-1.0	7.0
Economic structure									
Real value added: agriculture, forestry, fishing	Annual growth %	-5.4	9.1	1.3	1.5	4.0	5.6	3.2	-4.3
Real value added: industry	Annual growth %	5.2	9.6	6.2	7.7	6.8	3.1	-1.3	14.0
Real value added: services	Annual growth %	3.4	3.0	3.5	5.1	4.7	2.6	3.4	2.7
Government deficits and debt									
Government deficit	% of GDP	0.5	2.7	3.4	3.9	4.7	3.0	-1.1	0.0
General government debt	% of GDP	19.3	22.6	24.6	27.7	27.9	29.6	32.5	33.9
General government revenues	% of GDP	29.4	28.8	30.0	31.7	33.3	33.4	31.9	30.9
General government expenditures	% of GDP	28.9	26.1	26.6	27.7	28.7	30.4	33.1	30.9
Expenditure									
Public expenditure on health	% of GDP	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.6	4.0	4.1
Private expenditure on health	% of GDP	2.5	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9
Public social expenditure	% of GDP	5.4	6.0	6.4	7.4	7.6	..	..	..
Private social expenditure	% of GDP	2.8	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	..	..	..
Public pension expenditure	% of GDP	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	..	..	..
Private pension expenditure	% of GDP	1.0	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.7	..
Net official development assistance (Aid)	% of GNI	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.10	0.12
Taxes									
Total tax revenue	% of GDP	24.0	23.3	24.0	25.0	26.5	26.5	25.6	..
Taxes on income and profits	% of GDP	6.7	6.5	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.2	7.3	..
Taxes on goods and services	% of GDP	8.9	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.4	8.2	..
Taxes on the average worker	% of labour cost	16.3	17.0	17.3	18.1	19.7	19.9	19.3	19.8
Trade									
Imports of goods and services	% of GDP	33.1	36.7	36.6	38.3	40.4	54.2	46.0	49.6
Exports of goods and services	% of GDP	35.4	40.9	39.3	39.7	41.9	53.0	49.7	52.4
Goods trade balance: exports minus imports of goods	Bln USD	15.0	29.4	23.2	16.1	14.6	-13.3	40.4	..
Imports of goods	Bln USD	178.8	224.5	261.2	309.4	356.8	435.3	323.1	..
Exports of goods	Bln USD	193.8	253.8	284.4	325.5	371.5	422.0	363.5	..
Service trade balance: exports minus imports of services	Bln USD	-5.8	-6.0	-10.0	-13.3	-12.0	-5.7	-6.6	-11.2
Imports of services	Bln USD	40.8	50.5	59.7	70.2	85.0	96.4	80.2	93.9
Exports of services	Bln USD	35.0	44.5	49.7	56.8	73.0	90.6	73.6	82.7
Current account balance of payments	% of GDP	2.4	4.5	2.2	1.5	2.1	0.5	3.9	2.8
Foreign direct investment (FDI)									
Outward FDI stocks	Mln USD	74 777	97 910	120 440	138 980
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Inflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	..	5 651	6 366	11 175	19 720	20 251	17 197	19 230
Outflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	..	9 246	6 309	3 586	1 784	3 311	2 249	-150
Prices and interest rates									
Inflation rate: all items	Annual growth %	3.5	3.6	2.8	2.2	2.5	4.7	2.8	2.9
Inflation rate: all items non food non energy	Annual growth %	3.2	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.5	3.6	3.0	1.9
Inflation rate: food	Annual growth %	4.6	8.0	2.6	0.5	2.5	5.0	7.6	6.4
Inflation rate: energy	Annual growth %	3.7	5.4	5.2	7.0	2.8	12.9	-5.2	6.5
Producer Price Indices (PPI): manufacturing	Annual growth %	1.8	7.5	6.8	0.2	0.8	11.9	-1.6	4.3
Long-term interest rates	%	5.05	4.73	4.95	5.15	5.35	5.57	5.17	4.77
Purchasing power and exchange rates									
Purchasing power parities	KRW per USD	794.24	795.78	788.92	774.75	768.27	785.72	805.22	827.35
Exchange rates	KRW per USD	1 191.61	1 145.32	1 024.12	954.79	929.26	1 102.05	1 276.93	1 156.06
Indices of price levels	OECD = 100	69	68	76	81	80	67	62	70
Energy supply and prices									
Total primary energy supply (TPES)	Mtoe	202.6	208.2	210.1	213.5	222.1	226.9	229.2	246.5
Total primary energy supply per capita	Toe per capita	4.23	4.33	4.36	4.42	4.58	4.67	4.70	5.05
TPES per unit of GDP at 2000 prices and PPPs	Toe per '000 USD	0.22	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
Renewables' contribution to total primary energy supply	%	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
Crude oil import prices	USD per barrel	28.80	36.15	50.19	62.82	70.01	98.11	61.12	78.72
Information and Communications Technology (ICT)									
ICT investment in non-residential fixed capital formation	%	13.2	11.9	12.2	12.4	12.1	11.7	11.1	..
ICT related occupations: total employment	%
Households with access to the Internet	%	92.7	94.3	95.9	..

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Environment									
Water abstractions	Mln m ³	610
Fish landings in domestic and foreign ports	'000 tonnes	1 831	1 732	1 829	1 311	1 862	1 951	1 839	..
Aquaculture	'000 tonnes	844	939	1 057	1 280	1 386	1 381	1 313	..
Municipal waste total	'000 tonnes	..	..	..	..	..	..	19 010	..
Municipal waste per capita	Kg	..	..	370	..	..	..	390	..
CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion	Mln tonnes	448	469	468	476	490	502	515	..
Education									
Tertiary attainment in population aged 25-64	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	38.8	..
Expenditure per student: non-tertiary, 2008 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	..	..	..	6 722.8	..	..
Expenditure per student: tertiary, 2008 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	..	..	..	9 081.4	..	..
Employment									
Employment rate in population aged 15-24	%	30.8	31.2	29.9	27.2	25.7	23.8	22.9	23.0
Employment rate in population aged 25-54	%	73.1	73.4	73.4	73.9	74.0	74.2	73.3	73.8
Employment rate in population aged 55-64	%	57.8	58.5	58.7	59.3	60.6	60.6	60.4	60.9
Incidence of part-time employment	%	7.7	8.4	9.0	8.8	8.9	9.3	9.9	10.7
Self-employment rate: total civilian employment	%	34.9	34.0	33.6	32.8	31.8	31.3	30.0	28.8
Self-employment rate, men: male civilian employment	%	35.3	34.4	34.0	33.2	32.3	31.9	30.8	30.0
Self-employment rate, women: female civilian employment	%	34.4	33.4	32.9	32.3	31.2	30.4	28.8	27.1
Unemployment									
Unemployment rate: total civilian labour force	%	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.7
Unemployment rate, men: male civilian labour force	%	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.6	4.1	4.0
Unemployment rate, women: female civilian labour force	%	3.3	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.6	2.6	3.0	3.3
Long-term unemployment: total unemployed	%	0.6	1.1	0.8	1.1	0.6	2.7	0.5	0.3
Labour compensation and hours worked									
Labour compensation per unit labour input, total economy	Annual growth %	10.0	5.4	6.9	4.3	6.6	7.0	..	..
Average time worked per person in employment	Hours per year	2 424	2 392	2 351	2 346	2 306	2 246	2 232	2 193
Research and Development (R&D)									
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	% of GDP	2.49	2.68	2.79	3.01	3.21	3.36	..	..
Researchers: full-time equivalent	Per '000 employed	6.8	6.9	7.9	8.6	9.5	10.0	..	..
Population									
Total population	'000 persons	47 859	48 039	48 138	48 297	48 456	48 607	48 747	50 516
Population growth rates	%	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	3.6
Total fertility rates	Children	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	..
Youth population aged less than 15	% of population	20.1	19.7	19.2	18.6	18.0	17.4	16.8	15.9
Elderly population aged 65 and over	% of population	8.3	8.7	9.1	9.5	9.9	10.3	10.7	10.9
International migration									
Net migration rate	Per '000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign-born population	% of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign population	% of population	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.7	1.8	1.9	..
Unemployment rate of native-born men	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate of foreign-born men	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate of native-born women	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate of foreign-born women	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Health									
Life expectancy at birth	Years	77.3	78.0	78.5	79.0	79.4	79.9	80.3	..
Life expectancy at birth: men	Years	73.9	74.5	75.1	75.7	76.1	76.5	76.8	..
Life expectancy at birth: women	Years	80.8	81.4	81.9	82.4	82.7	83.3	83.8	..
Infant mortality	Per '000	..	..	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.5	..	..
Overweight and obese aged 15 and over	% of population	..	..	30.5	..	31.0	30.1	30.5	..
Society									
Suicide rates	Per 100 000 persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	28.4	..
Youths 20-24 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Youths 15-19 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Transport									
Goods transport	Mln tonne-km	109 430	111 698	110 977	119 562	116 149	116 788	..	..
Passenger transport	Mln passenger-km	282 774	242 720	255 420	260 406	260 101 e	259 336 e
Road fatalities	Per mln inhabitants	151	136	132	131	127	121	120	..

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