

Country statistical profile: Korea 2014

	Unit	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Production and income									
GDP per capita	USD current PPPs	22 783	24 288	26 084	26 689	26 338	28 210	29 035	29 396
Gross national income (GNI) per capita	USD current PPPs	22 762	24 325	26 132	26 888	26 455	28 246	29 111	30 178
Household disposable income	Annual growth %	2.3	2.6	2.7	1.3	1.6	4.1	1.7	2.0
Economic growth									
Real GDP growth	Annual growth %	4.0	5.2	5.1	2.3	0.3	6.3	3.7	2.0
Net saving rate in household disposable income	%	7.2	5.2	2.9	2.9	4.6	4.3	3.5	3.8
Gross fixed capital formation	% of GDP	1.9	3.4	4.2	-1.9	-1.0	5.8	-1.0	-1.7
Economic structure: share of real value added									
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	%	3.3	3.2	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.6
Industry	%	30.6	30.2	30.3	30.0	30.4	33.1	33.9	33.8
Trade, transport, accomm., restaurants, communication	%	20.2	20.2	20.1	20.1	19.6	19.4	19.0	18.8
Finance, insurance, real estate, business	%	19.9	19.9	20.1	20.3	19.9	19.3	19.2	19.1
Other services (ISIC Rev.4 O - U)	%	18.3	19.0	19.3	19.9	20.4	19.3	19.2	19.7
Government deficits and debt									
Government deficit	% of GDP	3.4	3.9	4.7	3.0	-1.1	1.3	2.0	..
General government debt	% of GDP	25.5	28.6	28.7	29.9	33.3	34.2	35.8	37.6
General government revenues	% of GDP	30.0	31.7	33.3	33.4	31.9	31.4	32.2	..
General government expenditures	% of GDP	26.6	27.7	28.7	30.4	33.1	30.1	30.2	..
Expenditure									
Public expenditure on health	% of GDP	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.6	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.2
Private expenditure on health	% of GDP	..	..	..	..	..	..	3.3	..
Public social expenditure	% of GDP	6.5	7.5	7.7	8.4	9.6	9.2	9.1	9.3
Private social expenditure	% of GDP	..	..	..	2.2	2.4	..	..	..
Public pension expenditure	% of GDP	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.0	2.1	..	..	..
Private pension expenditure	% of GDP	..	..	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.8
Net official development assistance (Aid)	% of GNI	..	..	0.07	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.12	0.14
Taxes									
Total tax revenue	% of GDP	24.0	25.0	26.5	26.5	25.5	25.1	25.9	26.8
Taxes on income and profits	% of GDP	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.2	7.3	7.1	7.8	8.0
Taxes on goods and services	% of GDP	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.4	8.2	8.5	8.1	8.4
Taxes on the average worker	% of labour cost	17.3	18.2	19.7	20.0	19.5	20.1	20.5	21.0
Trade									
Imports of goods and services	% of GDP	36.6	38.3	40.4	54.2	46.0	49.7	54.0	53.4
Exports of goods and services	% of GDP	39.3	39.7	41.9	53.0	49.7	52.3	56.0	56.5
Goods trade balance: exports minus imports of goods	Bln USD	23.2	..	..	..	..	41.2	..	28.3
Imports of goods	Bln USD	261.2	..	..	..	..	425.2	..	519.6
Exports of goods	Bln USD	284.4	..	..	..	..	466.4	..	547.9
Service trade balance: exports minus imports of services	Bln USD	-9.8	-13.4	-12.2	-5.3	-6.0	-8.5	-6.0	5.8
Imports of services	Bln USD	59.5	70.2	85.1	95.7	79.6	95.7	101.2	105.7
Exports of services	Bln USD	49.7	56.9	73.0	90.4	73.6	87.2	95.2	111.5
Current account balance of payments	% of GDP	2.0	1.3	2.0	0.6	3.5	2.5	2.1	4.0
Foreign direct investment (FDI)									
Outward FDI stocks	Mln USD	143 160	171 530	196 410
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Inflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	13 643	9 162	8 827	11 188	9 022	9 497	9 773	9 496
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Prices and interest rates									
Inflation rate: all items	Annual growth %	2.8	2.2	2.5	4.7	2.8	2.9	4.0	2.2
Inflation rate: all items non food non energy	Annual growth %	2.3	2.0	2.5	3.6	3.0	1.8	2.6	1.6
Inflation rate: food	Annual growth %	3.1	0.5	2.5	5.0	7.6	6.4	8.1	4.0
Inflation rate: energy	Annual growth %	5.7	7.0	2.8	12.9	-5.2	6.5	9.9	4.3
Producer Price Indices (PPI): manufacturing	Annual growth %	3.1	0.1	0.8	12.1	-1.8	4.3	9.0	-0.4
Long-term interest rates	%	4.95	5.15	5.35	5.57	5.17	4.77	4.20	3.45
Purchasing power and exchange rates									
Purchasing power parities	KRW per USD	788.92	773.48	769.16	785.72	822.21	841.74	854.59	865.66
Exchange rates	KRW per USD	1 024.12	954.79	929.26	1 102.05	1 276.93	1 156.06	1 108.29	1 126.47
Indices of price levels	OECD = 100	76	81	80	67	64	71	73	75
Energy supply and prices									
Total primary energy supply (TPES)	Mtoe	210.2	213.6	222.1	226.9	229.2	250.0	260.4	263.0
TPES per unit of GDP at 2000 prices and PPPs	Toe per '000 USD	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.19	0.19	0.19
Renewables' contribution to total primary energy supply	%	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Crude oil import prices	USD per barrel	50.19	62.82	70.01	98.11	61.12	78.72	108.63	113.24
Information and Communications Technology (ICT)									
Exports of ICT goods	Mln USD	85 314	86 167	93 798	89 435	78 497	98 433	98 317	93 260
ICT related occupations: business sector employment	%
Households with access to the Internet	%	92.7	96.8	97.2	97.3

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Environment									
Water abstractions	Mln m ³	29 198
Fish landings in domestic and foreign ports	'000 tonnes	1 829	1 839	1 725	1 746	..
Aquaculture	'000 tonnes	1 057	..	..	..	1 332	1 376	1 500	..
Municipal waste total	'000 tonnes	17 665	17 828	18 376	19 006	18 581	..	..	..
Municipal waste per capita	Kg	370	370	380	390	380	360	360	..
CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion	Mln tonnes	469	477	490	502	516	564	588	..
Education									
Tertiary attainment in population aged 25-64	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	40.4	..
Expenditure per student: primary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	..	..	..	6 601	..	..
Expenditure per student: secondary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	..	..	..	8 060	..	..
Expenditure per student: tertiary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	..	..	..	9 972	..	..
Youths 15-19 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	7.0	7.0	8.5	8.7	..
Youths 20-24 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	22.2	23.0	23.5	23.3	..
Employment									
Employment rate in population aged 15-24	%	29.9	27.2	25.7	23.8	22.9	23.0	23.1	24.2
Employment rate in population aged 25-54	%	73.4	73.9	74.0	74.2	73.3	73.8	74.4	74.7
Employment rate in population aged 55-64	%	58.7	59.3	60.6	60.6	60.4	60.9	62.1	63.1
Incidence of part-time employment	%	9.0	8.8	8.9	9.3	9.9	10.7	13.5	10.2
Self-employment rate: total employment	%	33.6	32.8	31.8	31.3	30.0	28.8	28.2	28.2
Self-employment rate, men: male employment	%	34.0	33.2	32.3	31.9	30.8	30.0	29.6	29.8
Self-employment rate, women: female employment	%	32.9	32.3	31.2	30.4	28.8	27.1	26.4	26.0
Unemployment									
Unemployment rate: total labour force	%	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.2
Unemployment rate, men: male labour force	%	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.6	4.1	4.0	3.6	3.4
Unemployment rate, women: female labour force	%	3.4	3.0	2.6	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.0
Long-term unemployment: total unemployed	%	0.8	1.1	0.6	2.7	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3
Labour compensation and hours worked									
Labour compensation per unit labour input, total economy	Annual growth %	6.9	4.3	6.6	7.0	2.2	5.4	9.4	-1.4
Average time worked per person in employment	Hours per year	2 351	2 346	2 306	2 246	2 232	2 187	2 090	2 163
Research and Development (R&D)									
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	Mln USD	30 618	34 712	38 923	41 685	44 311	49 448	55 402	60 993
Researchers: full-time equivalent	Per '000 employed	7.9	8.6	9.5	10.0	10.4	11.1	11.9	12.8
Population									
Total population	'000 persons	48 138	48 372	48 598	48 949	49 182	49 410	49 779	50 004
Population growth rates	%	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.5
Total fertility rates	Children	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3
Youth population aged less than 15	% of population	19.2	18.6	18.0	17.3	16.7	16.1	15.6	15.1
Elderly population aged 65 and over	% of population	9.1	9.5	9.9	10.3	10.7	11.0	11.4	11.8
International migration									
Foreign-born population	% of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign population	% of population	1.6	..	..	..	..	..	1.6	..
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	78.5	79.1	79.4	79.9	80.4	80.6	81.0	81.3
Life expectancy at birth: men	Years	75.1	75.7	76.1	76.5	77.0	77.2	77.6	77.9
Life expectancy at birth: women	Years	81.9	82.4	82.7	83.3	83.8	84.1	84.5	84.6
Infant mortality	Per '000	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.9
Obesity rate ages 15 and over	% of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	4.3	..
Suicide rates	Per 100 000 persons	29.9	26.2	28.7	29.0	33.8	33.5	33.3	..
Transport									
Goods transport	Mln tonne-km	110 977	119 562	116 149	113 003	108 362	112 260	114 474 e	118 636 e
Passenger transport	Mln passenger-km	255 420	260 406	260 920	364 299	366 276	437 244	426 362	421 169
Road fatalities	Per mln inhabitants	132	131	127	120	119	111	105	..

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