

Country statistical profile: Korea 2018

	Unit	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Production and income									
GDP per capita	USD current PPPs	30 377	31 228	32 097	32 616	33 587	35 204	36 630	38 350
Gross national income (GNI) per capita	USD current PPPs	30 407	31 412	32 427	32 848	33 693	35 300	36 728	38 352
Household disposable income	Annual growth %	3.6	2.4	1.8	4.0	3.6	4.7	2.5	..
Economic growth									
Real GDP growth	Annual growth %	6.5	3.7	2.3	2.9	3.3	2.8	2.9	3.1
Net saving rate in household disposable income	%	4.7	3.9	3.9	5.6	7.2	..	..	..
Gross fixed capital formation	Annual growth %	5.5	0.8	-0.5	3.3	3.4	5.1	5.6	8.6
Economic structure: share of real value added									
Agriculture, forestry, fishing	%	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.2 e
Industry including energy	%	33.1	33.5	33.3	33.5	33.1	33.1	33.0	33.6 e
Construction	%	5.1	4.8	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.2	5.7	5.9 e
Trade, repairs, transport, accomm., food services	%	15.3	15.1	15.2	15.1	14.9	14.9	15.0	14.4 e
Information, communication	%	4.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.7 e
Finance and insurance	%	6.3	6.4	6.1	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.5 e
Real estate	%	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.1	8.1	7.9	7.8 e
Professional, scientific, support services	%	6.8	6.9	7.1	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4 e
Public admin., defence, education, health, social work	%	16.3	16.2	16.6	16.7	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.1 e
Other services (ISIC Rev.4 R - U)	%	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.5 e
Government deficits and debt									
Government deficit	% of GDP	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	2.4	2.8 e
General government debt	% of GDP	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
General government revenues	% of GDP	32.0	33.3	33.7	33.1	33.2	33.6	34.6	35.3
General government expenditures	% of GDP	31.0	32.3	32.7	31.8	32.0	32.3	32.3	..
Expenditure									
Government/compulsory expenditure on health	% of GDP	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.4
Voluntary expenditure on health	% of GDP	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.2
Public social expenditure	% of GDP	8.3	8.2	8.8	9.3	9.7	10.1	10.4	..
Private social expenditure	% of GDP	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.1	..	..	..
Public pension expenditure	% of GDP	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.6	..	..	..
Private pension expenditure	% of GDP	1.3	1.3	1.7	2.3	..	..	..	..
Net official development assistance (Aid)	% of GNI	0.12	0.12	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.14
Taxes									
Total tax revenue	% of GDP	23.4	24.2	24.8	24.3	24.6	25.2	26.3	..
Tax on personal income	% of GDP	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.7	4.0	4.3	4.6	..
Tax on corporate profits	% of GDP	3.2	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.6	..
Taxes on goods and services	% of GDP	7.9	7.5	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.1	7.4	..
Taxes on the average worker	% of labour cost	20.1	20.5	21.0	21.5	21.7	22.0	22.3	22.6
Trade									
Imports of goods and services	% of GDP	46.2	54.3	53.5	48.9	45.0	38.4	35.4	37.7 e
Exports of goods and services	% of GDP	49.4	55.7	56.3	53.9	50.3	45.3	42.3	43.1 e
Goods trade balance: exports minus imports of goods	Bln USD	47.9	29.1	49.4	82.8	88.9	122.3	118.9	119.9
Imports of goods	Bln USD	415.9	558.0	554.1	535.4	524.1	420.6	393.1	457.5
Exports of goods	Bln USD	463.8	587.1	603.5	618.2	613.0	542.9	511.9	577.4
Service trade balance: exports minus imports of services	Bln USD	-14.2	-12.3	-5.2	-6.5	-3.7	-14.9	-17.7	-34.5
Imports of services	Bln USD	97.5	103.2	108.7	110.2	115.8	112.6	112.6	122.0
Exports of services	Bln USD	83.3	90.9	103.5	103.7	112.1	97.7	94.9	87.5
Current account balance of payments	% of GDP	2.7	1.5	4.1	6.2	6.0	7.7	7.0	5.1
Foreign direct investment (FDI)									
Outward FDI stocks	Mln USD	237 932	242 792	276 100	296 641	..
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Inflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	9 497	9 773	9 496	6 083	-917	3 076	7 415	17 053
Outflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	28 280	29 705	30 632	31 488	19 994	18 490	30 508	31 676
Prices and interest rates									
Inflation rate: all items	Annual growth %	2.9	4.0	2.2	1.3	1.3	0.7	1.0	1.9
Inflation rate: all items non food non energy	Annual growth %	1.8	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.7	2.4	1.9	1.5
Inflation rate: food	Annual growth %	6.4	8.1	4.0	0.9	0.3	1.6	2.3	3.4
Inflation rate: energy	Annual growth %	6.5	9.9	4.3	0.3	-0.4	-14.1	-9.4	3.4
Producer Price Indices (PPI): manufacturing	Annual growth %	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Long-term interest rates	%	4.77	4.20	3.45	3.28	3.19	2.31	1.75	2.28
Purchasing power and exchange rates									
Purchasing power parities	KRW per USD	840.57	854.59	854.89	869.08	871.88	870.93	874.63	877.05
Exchange rates	KRW per USD	1 156.06	1 108.29	1 126.47	1 094.85	1 052.96	1 131.16	1 160.43	1 130.42
Indices of price levels	OECD=100	71	73	75	81	85	87	86	88
Energy supply and prices									
Total primary energy supply (TPES)	Mtoe	250.0	260.5	263.5	263.8	268.4	272.7	284.3	..
TPES per unit of GDP at 2000 prices and PPPs	Toe per '000 USD	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	..
Renewable energy	Ktoe	1 811.7	1 939.9	2 275.5	2 653.7	3 934.1	4 003.3	4 860.6	..
Crude oil import prices	USD per barrel	78.72	108.63	113.24	108.59	101.24	53.32	41.00	..
Information and Communications Technology (ICT)									
Households with access to computers	%	81.8	81.9	82.3	80.6	78.2	77.1	75.3	74.7
Households with access to internet	%	96.8	97.2	97.3	98.1	98.5	98.8	99.2	99.5

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Environment									
Water abstractions	Mln m ³	19 564	19 535	21 222	23 871	25 100
National fish landings in domestic ports	'000 tonnes	1 492	1 543	1 426	1 591
National fish landings in foreign ports	'000 tonnes	232	203	236	211	..	..	..	..
Aquaculture	'000 tonnes	1 376	1 500	1 507	1 533	..	..	..	..
Municipal waste total	'000 tonnes	17 943	17 861	17 881	17 786	18 219	18 705	..	..
Municipal waste total per capita	Kg	362	359	358	355	362	370	..	..
CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion	Mln tonnes	551	574	575	572	568	586	..	..
Education									
Tertiary attainment in population aged 25-64	%	40	40	42	43	45	45	47	..
Expenditure per student: primary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	8 866	9 366	9 656	..	..	..
Expenditure per student: secondary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	9 789	9 940	10 316	..	..	..
Expenditure per student: tertiary, 2010 prices	USD constant PPPs	..	..	9 958	9 379	9 570	..	..	..
Youths 15-19 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Youths 20-24 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Employment									
Employment rate in population aged 15-24	%	22.7	23.2	24.1	23.9	25.6	26.7	26.9	27.2
Employment rate in population aged 25-54	%	73.8	74.4	74.7	75.1	75.8	76.0	76.2	76.3
Employment rate in population aged 55-64	%	60.6	62.3	63.1	64.3	65.7	66.0	66.2	67.4
Incidence of part-time employment	%	10.6	13.5	10.1	11.0	10.3	10.5	10.8	11.4
Self-employment rate: total employment	%	28.8	28.2	28.2	27.4	26.8	25.9	25.5	..
Self-employment rate: male employment	%	30.0	29.6	29.8	29.0	28.4	27.5	27.5	..
Self-employment rate: female employment	%	27.1	26.4	26.0	25.3	24.6	23.6	22.8	..
Unemployment									
Unemployment rate: total labour force	%	3.7	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7
Unemployment rate: male labour force	%	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.8
Unemployment rate: female labour force	%	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.8	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5
Long-term unemployment: total unemployed	%	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.9	1.3
Labour compensation and hours worked									
Labour compensation per unit labour input, total economy	Annual growth %	5.9	9.3	-0.5	6.5	-0.1	-4.1	..	..
Average time worked per person in employment	Hours per year	2 146	2 119	2 103	2 093	2 067	2 084	2 071	2 024
Research and Development (R&D)									
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	Mln USD	52 173	58 427	64 268	68 149	72 807	73 587	76 057	..
Researchers: full-time equivalent	Per '000 employed	11.1	11.9	12.8	12.8	13.5	13.7	13.8	..
Population									
Total population	'000 persons	49 410 |	49 779	50 004	50 220	50 424	..	..	..
Population growth rates	%	0.5 |	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	..	..	..
Total fertility rates	Children	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	..
Youth population aged less than 15	% of population	16.1 |	15.6	15.1	14.7	14.3	..	..	..
Elderly population aged 65 and over	% of population	11.0 |	11.4	11.8	12.2	12.7	..	..	..
International migration									
Foreign-born population	% of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign population	% of population	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate in population of native-born men	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate in population of foreign-born men	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate in population of native-born women	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unemployment rate in population of foreign-born women	% of labour force	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Health									
Life expectancy at birth	Years	80.2	80.6	80.9	81.4	81.8	82.1	82.4	..
Life expectancy at birth: men	Years	76.8	77.3	77.6	78.1	78.6	79.0	79.3	..
Life expectancy at birth: women	Years	83.6	84.0	84.2	84.6	85.0	85.2	85.4	..
Infant mortality	Per '000	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.8	..
Overweight or obese, % of population aged 15 and over	Measured	30.2	30.7	31.8	31.5	30.8	33.4	34.5	..
Suicide Rates	Per 100 000 persons	33.5	33.3	29.1	28.7	26.7	25.8	..	..
Transport									
Goods transport	Mln tonne-km	112 260	114 473	118 636	129 041	134 214	142 131	..	..
Passenger transport	Mln passenger-km	437 244	426 362	425 279	426 281	436 376	446 415
Road Fatalities	Per mln inhabitants	111	105	107	101	94	91	84	..

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