

Country statistical profile: Korea 2010

	Unit	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Production and income									
Gross domestic product (GDP)	Bln USD curr. PPPs	860.7	936.0	965.8	1 039.1	1 096.7	1 191.1	1 287.7	1 344.4
GDP per capita	USD current PPPs	18 174	19 656	20 181	21 630	22 783	24 661	26 574	27 658
Gross national income (GNI) per capita	USD current PPPs	18 132	19 668	20 198	21 694	22 762	24 699	26 623	27 839
Household disposable income	Annual growth %	0.9	3.4	4.9	4.7	2.3	2.6	2.7	0.8
Economic growth									
Real GDP growth	Annual growth %	4.0	7.2	2.8	4.6	4.0	5.2	5.1	2.2
Net saving rate in household disposable income	%	5.2	0.4	5.2	9.2	7.2	5.2	2.9	2.8
Gross fixed capital formation	% of GDP	28.8	28.6	29.3	29.2	28.9	28.7	28.5	29.3
Economic structure									
Real value added: agriculture, forestry, fishing	Annual growth %	1.6	-2.2	-5.4	9.1	1.3	1.5	4.0	5.5
Real value added: industry	Annual growth %	3.0	7.4	5.7	8.2	5.1	6.8	6.1	2.3
Real value added: services	Annual growth %	4.8	7.8	1.8	2.3	3.6	4.3	5.1	2.5
Government deficits and debt									
Government deficit	% of GDP	4.3	5.1	0.5	2.7	3.4	3.9	4.7	3.3
General government debt	% of GDP	16.6	15.8	17.4	21.3	23.1	26.1	25.7	26.8
General government revenues	% of GDP	28.3	28.7	29.4	28.8	30.0	31.7	33.3	33.3
General government expenditures	% of GDP	23.9	23.6	28.9	26.1	26.6	27.7	28.7	30.0
Expenditure									
Public expenditure on health	% of GDP	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.5	..
Private expenditure on health	% of GDP	..	..	..	..	..	..	2.8	..
Public social expenditure	% of GDP	..	..	5.6	6.3	6.9	..	..	..
Private social expenditure	% of GDP	..	..	2.9	2.3	2.5	..	..	..
Public pension expenditure	% of GDP	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	..	..	..
Private pension expenditure	% of GDP	..	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.8
Net official development assistance (Aid)	% of GNI	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Taxes									
Total tax revenue	% of GDP	23.0	23.2	23.9	23.2	23.9	25.0	26.5	26.6
Taxes on income and profits	% of GDP	6.1	5.9	6.7	6.5	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.2
Taxes on goods and services	% of GDP	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.4	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.4
Taxes on the average worker	% of labour cost	16.4	16.1	16.3	17.0	17.3	18.1	19.7	20.3
Trade									
Trade in goods and services	% of GDP	34.6	32.4	34.2	38.8	37.9	39.0	41.2	53.5
Goods trade balance: exports minus imports of goods	Bln USD	9.3	10.4	15.0	29.4	23.2	16.1	14.6	-13.3
Imports of goods	Bln USD	141.1	152.1	178.8	224.5	261.2	309.4	356.8	435.3
Exports of goods	Bln USD	150.4	162.5	193.8	253.8	284.4	325.5	371.5	422.0
Service trade balance: exports minus imports of services	Bln USD	-3.9	-8.2	-7.4	-8.0	-13.7	-19.0	-19.8	-16.7
Imports of services	Bln USD	32.9	36.6	40.4	49.9	58.8	68.9	83.1	92.7
Exports of services	Bln USD	29.1	28.4	33.0	41.9	45.1	49.9	63.3	76.0
Current account balance of payments	% of GDP	1.6	0.9	1.9	3.9	1.8	0.6	0.6	-0.7
Foreign direct investment (FDI)									
Outward FDI stocks	Mln USD	32 166	38 683	49 187	74 777	..
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Inflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	3 528	2 392	3 526	9 246	6 309	3 586	1 579	2 200
Outflows of foreign direct investment	Mln USD	2 420	2 617	3 426	4 650	4 291	8 127	15 276	12 794
Prices and interest rates									
Inflation rate: all items	Annual growth %	4.1	2.7	3.6	3.6	2.8	2.2	2.5	4.7
Inflation rate: all items non food non energy	Annual growth %	3.5	3.1	3.2	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.5	3.6
Inflation rate: food	Annual growth %	5.0	4.8	4.6	8.0	2.6	0.5	2.5	5.0
Inflation rate: energy	Annual growth %	7.0	-3.2	3.7	5.4	5.2	7.0	2.8	12.9
Producer Price Indices (PPI): manufacturing	Annual growth %	-2.1	-1.5	1.8	7.5	6.8	0.2	0.8	11.9
Long-term interest rates	%	6.86	6.59	5.05	4.73	4.95	5.15	5.35	5.57
Purchasing power and exchange rates									
Purchasing power parities	KRW per USD	756.87	769.77	794.24	795.78	788.92	762.97	757.19	761.65
Exchange rates	KRW per USD	1 290.99	1 251.09	1 191.61	1 145.32	1 024.12	954.79	929.26	1 102.05
Indices of price levels	OECD = 100	66	68	68	68	76	79	78	64
Energy supply and prices									
Total primary energy supply (TPES)	Mtoe	191.4	201.8	205.7	211.2	210.4	213.8	222.2	227.2
Total primary energy supply per capita	Toe per capita	4.04	4.24	4.30	4.40	4.37	4.43	4.59	4.68
TPES per unit of GDP at 2000 prices and PPPs	Toe per '000 USD	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.22	0.21	0.21	0.21
Renewables' contribution to total primary energy supply	%	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5
Crude oil import prices	USD per barrel	24.87	24.12	28.80	36.15	50.19	62.82	70.01	98.11

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Information and Communications Technology (ICT)									
ICT investment in non-residential fixed capital formation	%	15.1	13.9	11.8	11.8	12.2
ICT related occupations: total employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Households with access to the Internet	%	63.2	70.2	68.8	86.0	92.7	94.0	94.1	94.3
Environment									
Water abstractions	Mln m ³	..	..	..	..	..	..	29 165	..
Fish landings in domestic and foreign ports	'000 tonnes	2 142	1 867	1 831	1 752	1 829	1 311	1 550	..
Aquaculture	'000 tonnes	668	794	844	938	1 057	1 280	1 408	..
Municipal waste total	'000 tonnes	..	..	..	..	..	..	18 375	..
Municipal waste per capita	Kg	..	..	..	..	..	..	380	..
CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion	Mln tonnes	449	457	459	479	469	477	489	..
Education									
Tertiary attainment in population aged 25-64	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	34.6	..
Tertiary entry rates in peer age groups	%	46.1	45.7	46.7	49.0	50.8	58.9	61.2	..
Tertiary graduation rates in population at graduation age	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Employment									
Employment rate in population aged 15-24	%	30.1	31.5	30.8	31.2	29.9	27.2	25.7	23.8
Employment rate in population aged 25-54	%	72.6	73.4	73.1	73.4	73.4	73.9	74.0	74.2
Employment rate in population aged 55-64	%	58.3	59.5	57.8	58.5	58.7	59.3	60.6	60.6
Incidence of part-time employment	%	7.3	7.6	7.7	8.4	9.0	8.8	8.9	9.3
Self-employment rate: total civilian employment	%	36.7	36.0	34.9	34.0	33.6	32.8	31.8	31.3
Self-employment rate, men: male civilian employment	%	36.0	35.7	35.3	34.4	34.0	33.2	32.3	31.9
Self-employment rate, women: female civilian employment	%	37.6	36.5	34.4	33.4	32.9	32.3	31.2	30.4
Unemployment									
Unemployment rate: total civilian labour force	%	4.0	3.3	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2
Unemployment rate, men: male civilian labour force	%	4.5	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.6
Unemployment rate, women: female civilian labour force	%	3.3	2.7	3.3	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.6	2.6
Long-term unemployment: total unemployed	%	2.3	2.5	0.6	1.1	0.8	1.1	0.6	2.7
Labour compensation and hours worked									
Labour compensation per unit labour input, total economy	Annual growth %	8.1	7.4	10.0	5.4	6.9	4.3	6.6	6.1
Average time worked per person in employment	Hours per year	2 506	2 465	2 434	2 404	2 364	2 357	2 316	2 256
Research and Development (R&D)									
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	% of GDP	2.47	2.40	2.49	2.68	2.79	3.01	3.21	..
Researchers: full-time equivalent	Per '000 employed	6.3	6.4	6.8	6.9	7.9	8.6	9.5	..
Population									
Total population	'000 persons	47 357	47 622	47 859	48 039	48 138	48 297	48 456	48 607
Population growth rates	%	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	..
Total fertility rates	Children	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.2
Youth population aged less than 15	% of population	20.8	20.5	20.1	19.7	19.2	18.6	18.0	17.4
Elderly population aged 65 and over	% of population	7.6	7.9	8.3	8.7	9.1	9.5	9.9	10.3
International migration									
Net migration rate	Per '000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign-born population	% of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign population	% of population	0.5	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.7	..
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	76.4	77.0	77.4	78.0	78.5	79.1	79.4	..
Life expectancy at birth: men	Years	72.8	73.4	73.9	74.5	75.1	75.7	76.1	..
Life expectancy at birth: women	Years	80.0	80.5	80.8	81.4	81.9	82.4	82.7	..
Infant mortality	Per '000	..	5.3	..	..	4.7	4.1	..	..
Society									
Suicide rates	Per 100 000 persons	..	..	..	..	..	21.5	..	..
Youths 20-24 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Youths 15-19 not in education nor employment	%	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Number of tourists	'000	5 147	5 347	4 753	5 818	6 023	6 155	6 448	..
Road fatalities	Per mln inhabitants	171	152	151	136	132	131	127	121

Note: |: Break

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