

COUNTRY PROFILE

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AFGHANISTAN

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Subregion South Asia
Income group Low income

PEOPLE

Population (millions) ¹	32.53 (2015)	43.85 (2030)
Urban ²	27% (2015)	34% (2030)
Rural ²	73% (2015)	66% (2030)
Population growth ¹ (annual)	2.7% (2015)	1.6% (2030)
Human Development Index rank ³	171/188 Low human development	
Languages ¹⁹	Afghan Persian or Dari (official) 50%, Pashto (official) 35%, Turkic languages (primarily Uzbek and Turkmen) 11%, 30 minor languages (primarily Balochi and Pashai) 4%, Dari functions as the lingua franca	
Religion ¹⁹	Muslim 99.7% (Sunni 84.7 - 89.7%, Shia 10 - 15%), other 0.3%	
Ethnic composition ¹⁹	Pashtun, Tajik, Hazara, Uzbek, other (includes smaller numbers of Baloch, Turkmen, Nuristani, Pamiri, Arab, Gujar, Brahui, Qizilbash, Aimaq, Pashai, and Kyrgyz)	

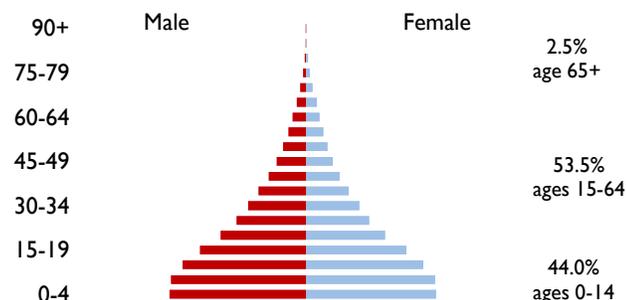
GOVERNMENT

Capital ¹⁹	Kabul
Government type ¹⁹	Presidential Islamic republic
Head of State/Govt ¹⁹	President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Ashraf GHANI Ahmadzai (since 29 September 2014)
Legislature ¹⁹	Bicameral National Assembly consists of the Meshrano Jirga or House of Elders and the Wolesi Jirga or House of People
Females in Parliament ⁴	28% (2015)
Corruption Perceptions Index rank ⁵	166/167 (2015)
Land area (sq km) ⁷	652,860 (The size of Texas)

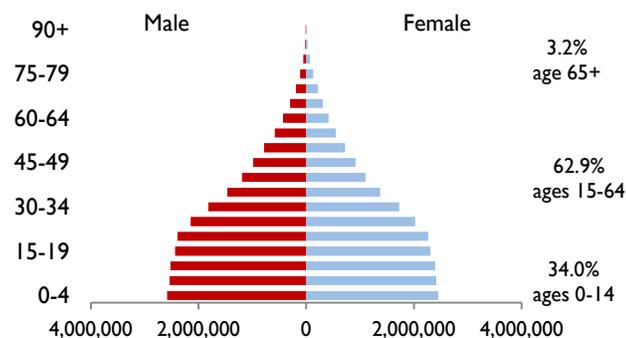
OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

From all donors (US\$ millions, net) ⁸	\$4,823.3 (2014)
as % of income ⁷	22.69% (2014)
per capita ¹⁸	\$152.5 (2014)
From U.S. (US\$ millions) ⁸	\$1,928.1 (2014)

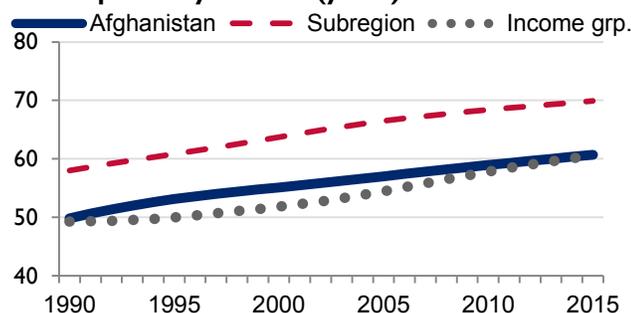
2015 population¹



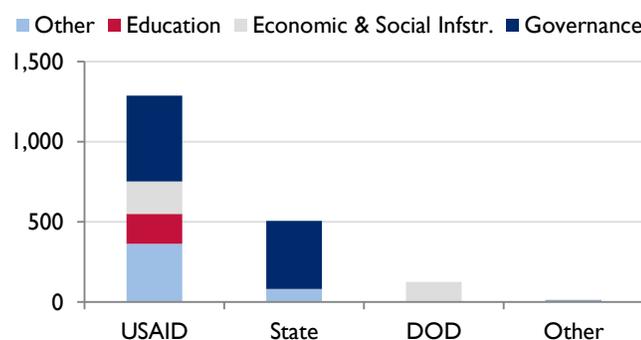
2030 population¹



Life expectancy at birth (years)¹



U.S. ODA by agency (US\$ millions, gross), 2014¹⁸



EDUCATION

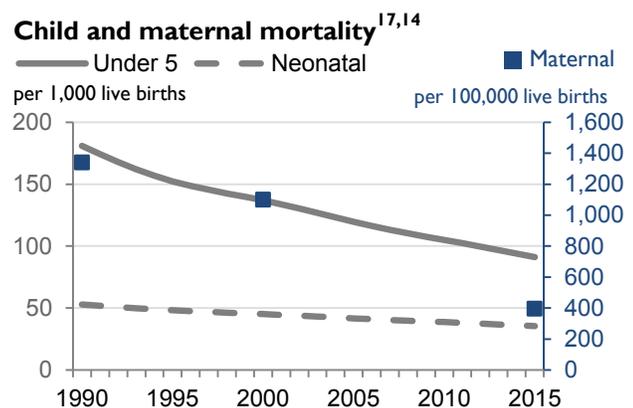
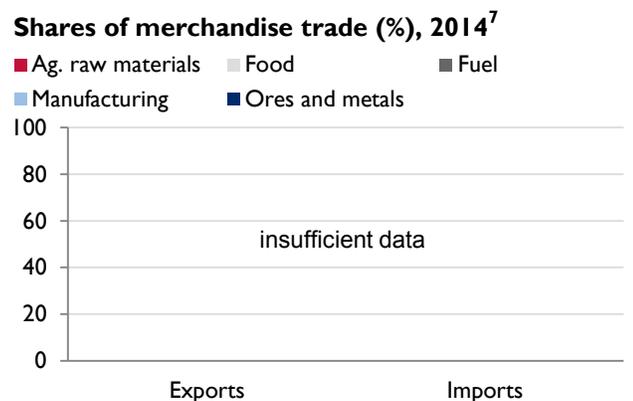
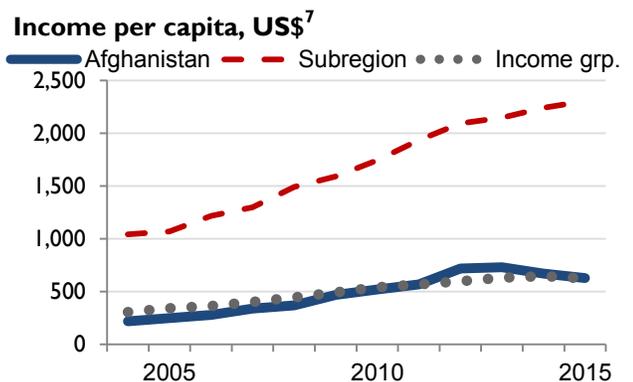
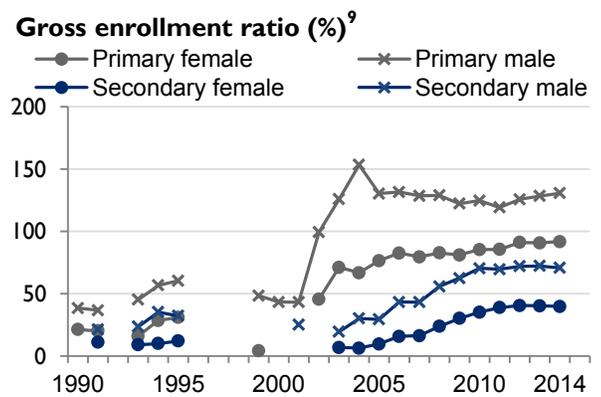
Completion rate, primary gross ⁷	n/a
Female completion rate ⁷	n/a
Male completion rate ⁷	n/a
Pupil-teacher ratio, primary ⁹	46 (2013)
Pupil-teacher ratio, secondary ⁹	32 (2007)
Public education expenditure (% of GDP) ⁹	n/a
Youth literacy rate (ages 15-24) ⁷	58% (2015)
Children out of school, primary ⁷	n/a
Of which, female ⁷	n/a
Of which, male ⁷	n/a

ECONOMY

GDP (US\$ millions) ⁷	\$19,199 (2015)
GDP growth (annual %) ⁷	1.5% (2015)
10-year average	7.6% (2015)
Merchandise exports (US\$ millions) ¹⁰	\$644 (2015)
Merchandise imports (US\$ millions) ¹⁰	\$6,637 (2015)
Percent of population living under \$1.90/day ⁷	n/a
Share of income going to the poorest 20% ¹¹	9% (2013)
OECD average ¹¹	8% (2013)
Share of income going to the richest 20% ¹¹	37% (2013)
OECD average ¹¹	42% (2013)
Youth unemployment (ages 15-24) ⁷	20.8% (2014)
Annual inflation ¹²	-1.5% (2015)

HEALTH

Prevalence of HIV (ages 15-49) ¹³	0.0% (2015)
Antiretroviral coverage (% of adults 15+ meeting WHO guidelines) ⁷	5% (2015)
Prevalence of TB (per 100,000 population) ¹⁴	340 (2014)
Deaths from malaria (per 100,000 population) ¹⁴	0 (2013)
Prevalence of stunting (% of children under 5) ¹⁵	n/a
DPT3 immunization rate (children aged one) ¹⁵	n/a
Fertility rate (children per woman) ¹⁵	n/a
Modern contraceptive prevalence ¹⁵	n/a
Births attended by skilled health worker ¹⁵	n/a
Improved water source (% of population) ⁴	55% (2015)
Public health expenditure (% of GDP) ¹⁶	3% (2014)



SOURCES: ¹UN, World Population Prospects; ²UN, World Urbanization Prospects; ³UNDP, Human Development Report; ⁴UN, Millennium Development Goals Indicators; ⁵Transparency International, Corruption Perceptions Index and Bribe Payers Index; ⁶Mo Ibrahim Foundation, Index of African Governance; ⁷World Bank, World Development Indicators; ⁸OECD/DAC, Destination of Official Development Assistance and Official Aid - Disbursements (Table 2a); ⁹UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) Database; ¹⁰IMF, Direction of Trade Statistics; ¹¹Population Reference Bureau, World Population Data Sheet; ¹²IMF, World Economic Outlook Database; ¹³UNAIDS, Report on the Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic; ¹⁴WHO, World Health Statistics; ¹⁵Demographic and Health Surveys, STATcompiler; ¹⁶WHO, Global Health Expenditure Database; ¹⁷UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation, Child Mortality Estimates; ¹⁸OECD/DAC, Creditor Reporting System (CRS++); ¹⁹CIA, World Factbook; World Bank, Country and Lending Groups.