Afghanistan

Statistical Country Profile

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General information

Capital city	Official language	Currency
Kabul	**Afghan Persian or Dari, Pashto**	**Afghani**

Land area in relation to Germany
km²

Afghanistan
652,860
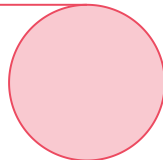
Germany
349,380
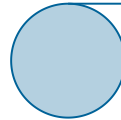
Source: WB-WDI

Economy and finance

Gross domestic product (GDP), total bn US$	GDP, real change % since 2000	GDP per capita US$	GDP per capita internat. US$
20	**+184**	**611**	**2,456**
(2020)	(2020)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO*	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO

Gross domestic product, real change
% on previous year

8.7

-2.4

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021
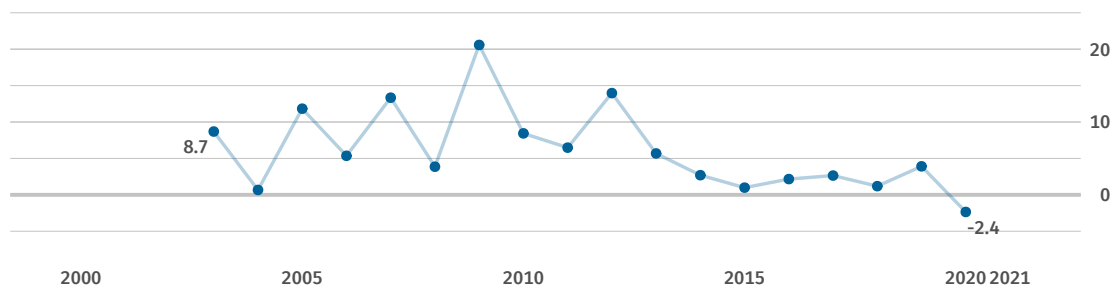
Source: IMF-WEO

Gross domestic product per capita
US$

233

611

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021

Source: IMF-WEO

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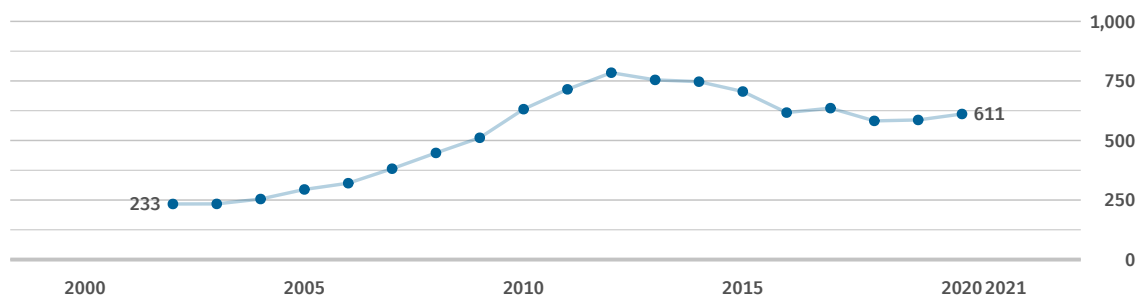
Inflation rate (change of consumer price index)	General government gross debt	General government net lending / borrowing
% on previous year	% of GDP	% of GDP
+2.3	**7.4**	**-2.2**
(2019)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: IMF-IFS	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO

General government revenue and expenditure
% of GDP

6.9
6.8

27.9
25.7

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021

● revenue   ● expenditure

Source: IMF-WEO
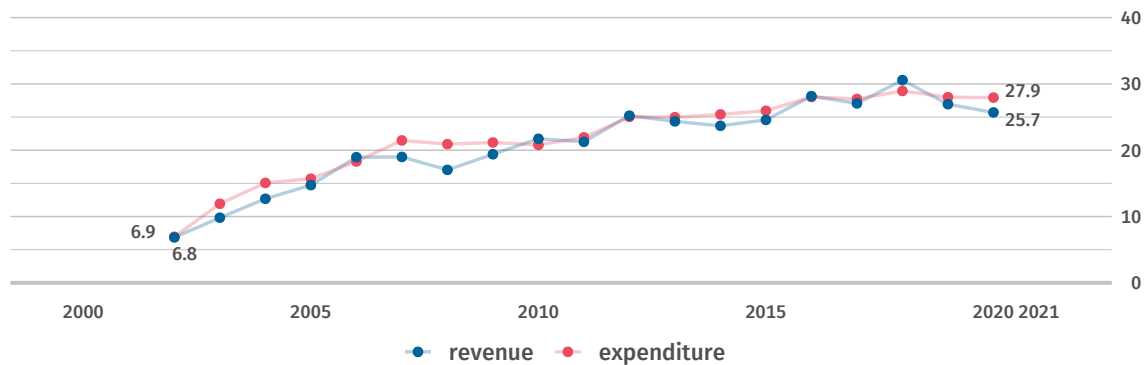
General government net lending / borrowing
% of GDP

-0.1

-2.2

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021

● surplus   ● deficit

Source: IMF-WEO
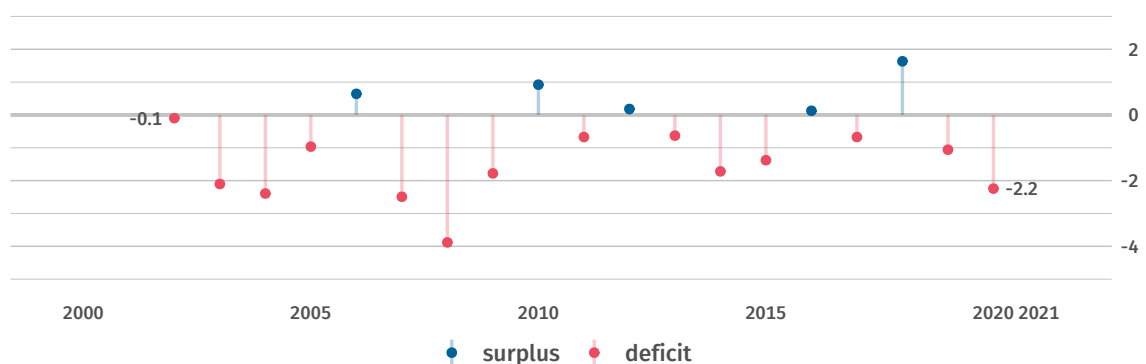
Foreign direct investment (FDI): inward stocks	Foreign direct investment (FDI): outward stocks	Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, inward	Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, outward
bn US$	bn US$	bn US$	bn US$
1.613	**0.165**	**0.021**	**0.031**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD

Population

Population total	Population density	Life expectancy at birth (women)	Life expectancy at birth (men)
1,000	inhabitants per km²	years	years
40,099	**61**	**65.4**	**59.9**
(2021)	(2021)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI

Population in relation to Germany 2021
1,000

Afghanistan
40,099

Germany
83,196

Source: WB-WDI

Population
1,000

Projection medium
variant after 2021
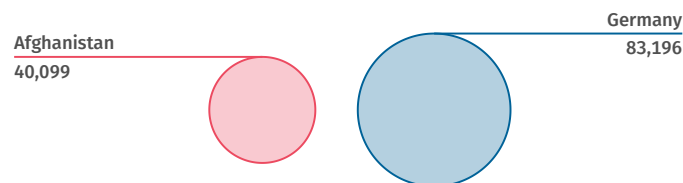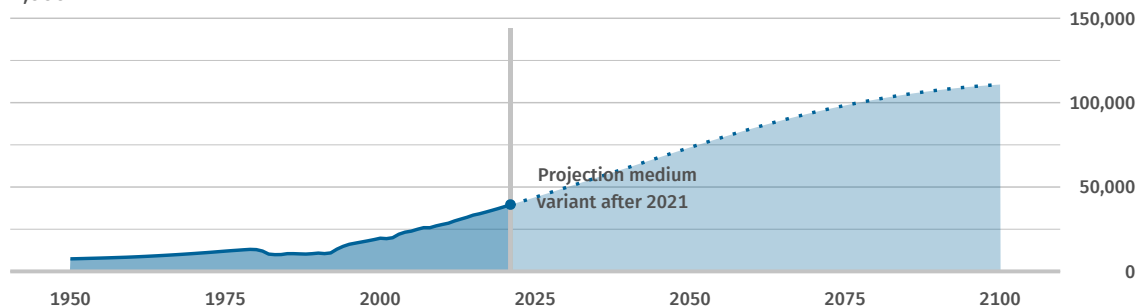
Source: UN-POP

Population by age group
proportion, %

Projection medium
variant after 2021

■ under 15-year-olds ■ 15- to 64-year-olds ■ 65-year-olds and older

Source: UN-POP

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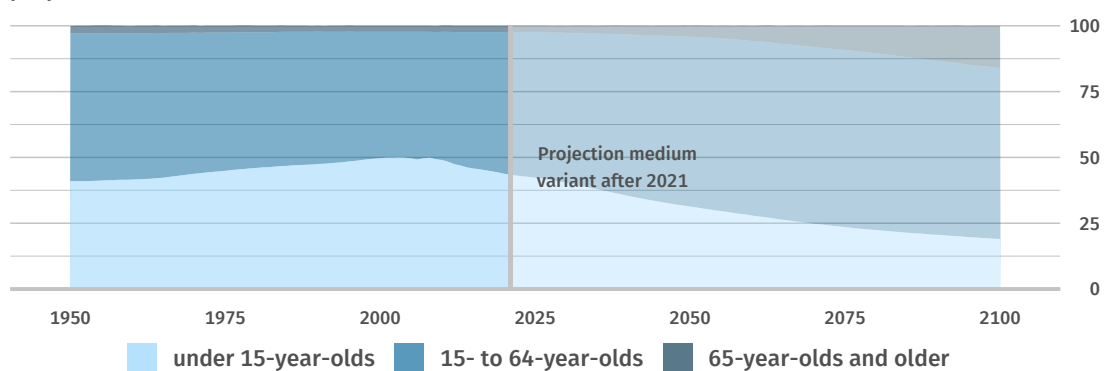
Health

Practising physicians	Hospital beds	Prevalence of raised blood pressure	Prevalence of obesity (BMI >= 30)
per 1,000 inhabitants	per 1,000 inhabitants	%	%
0.3	**0.4**	**30.6**	**5.5**
(2020)	(2017)	(2015)	(2016)
Source: WHO	Source: WHO	Source: WHO	Source: WHO

Education

Government expenditure on education	Pupil-teacher ratio (primary education)	Pupil-teacher ratio (secondary education)	Students (tertiary education)
% of GDP	number	number	per 100,000 inhabitants
3.2	**60.4**	**42.1**	**997**
(2019)	(2019)	(2018)	(2018)
Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO*

Labour force

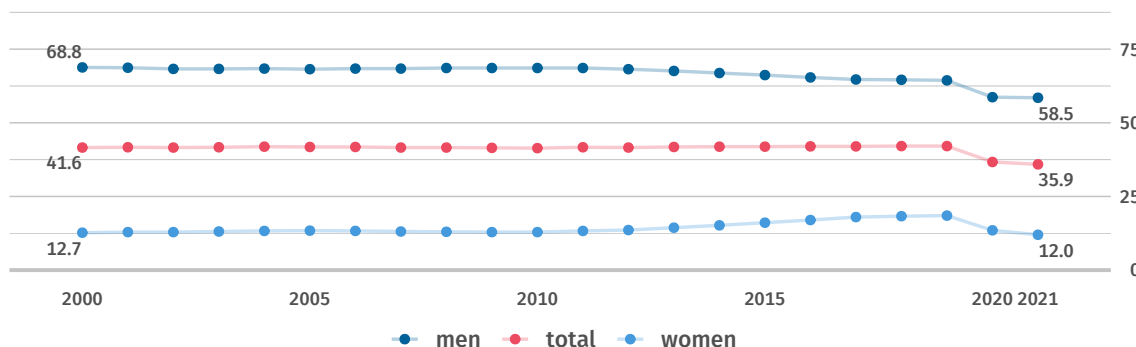| Employment rate (persons aged 15+)	Labour force (persons aged 15+)	Labour force participation rate (persons aged 15+)	Self-employment (persons aged 15+)
%	1,000	%	%
35.9	**9,696**	**41.4**	**83.9**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT

Employment rate (persons aged 15+)
%

Source: ILOSTAT

Employment and gross value added by sector 2020
%

Employment

42.4	18.3	39.4

Gross value added

28.3	13.1	58.7	0.0

■ agriculture, forestry, fisheries ■ industry ■ services ■ not specified

Source employment: ILOSTAT
Source gross value added: UNSD

Unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)	Unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24)	Long-term unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)
%	%	% of unemployed persons
13.3	**20.2**	**27.1**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT

Unemployment rate and youth unemployment rate
%

18.0
10.8
20.2
13.3
20
10
0

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021
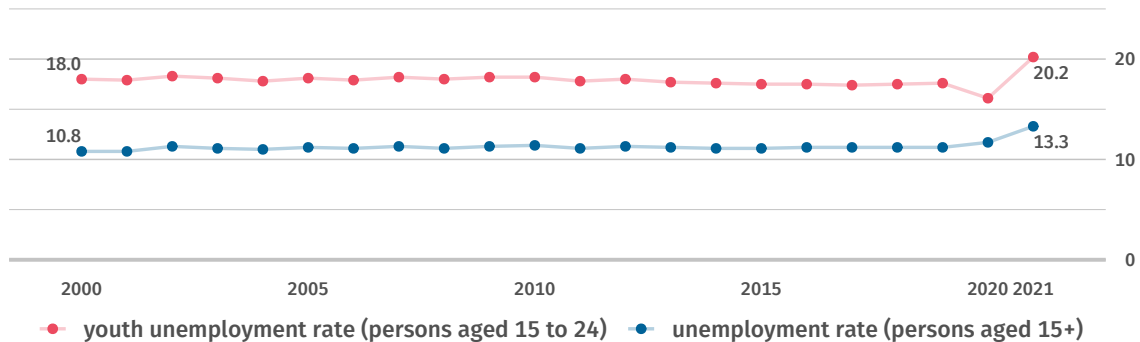
—●— youth unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24)   —●— unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)

Source: ILOSTAT

Living conditions

Human Development Index (HDI)	Human Development Index (HDI)	Income distribution: Gini coefficient
value (0 low to 1 high)	rank (of 188 countries)	value (0 to 100; 0=equal distribution)
0.478	**180**	**27.8**
(2021)	(2021)	(2008)
Source: UNDP	Source: UNDP	Source: WB-WDI

Production

Index of industrial production
2010=100

No data

Source: IMF-IFS

Agriculture and forestry

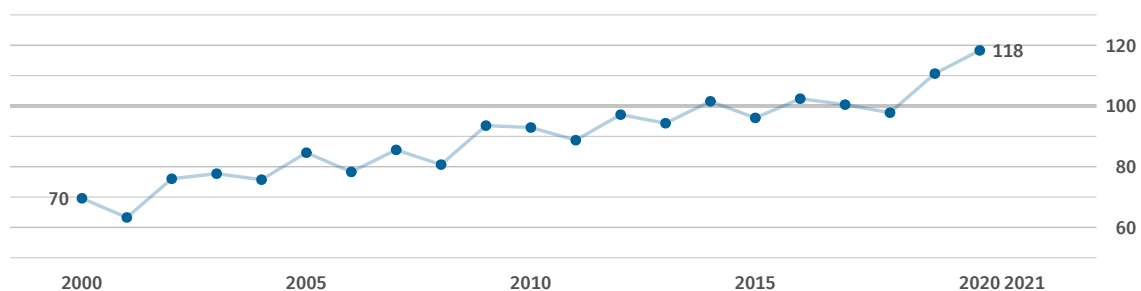| Change of agricultural production	Agricultural land	Forest area
% since 2000	% of land area	% of land area
+70	**58.8**	**1.9**
(2020)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*

Index of agricultural production
2014 to 2016 = 100

Source: FAO

Foreign trade

Export of goods bn US$ **0.870** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade	Import of goods bn US$ **8.568** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade	Trade balance, goods bn US$ **-7.698** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade*

Export and import of goods
bn US$
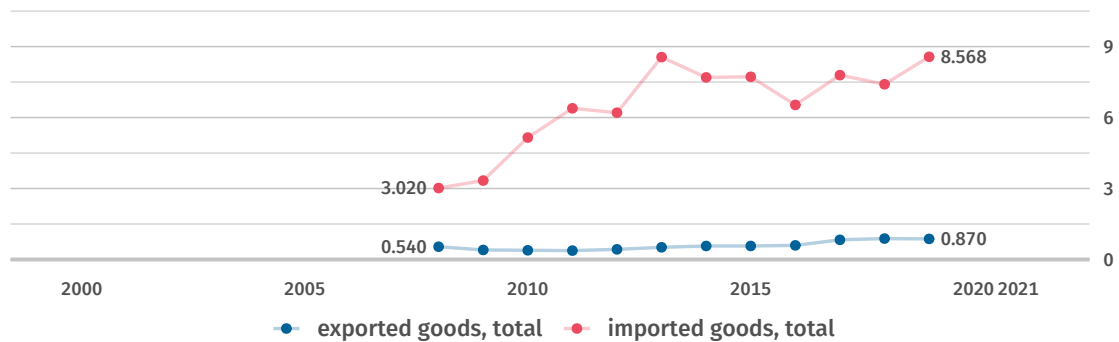
Source: UN Comtrade

Foreign trade balance
bn US$

Source: UN Comtrade

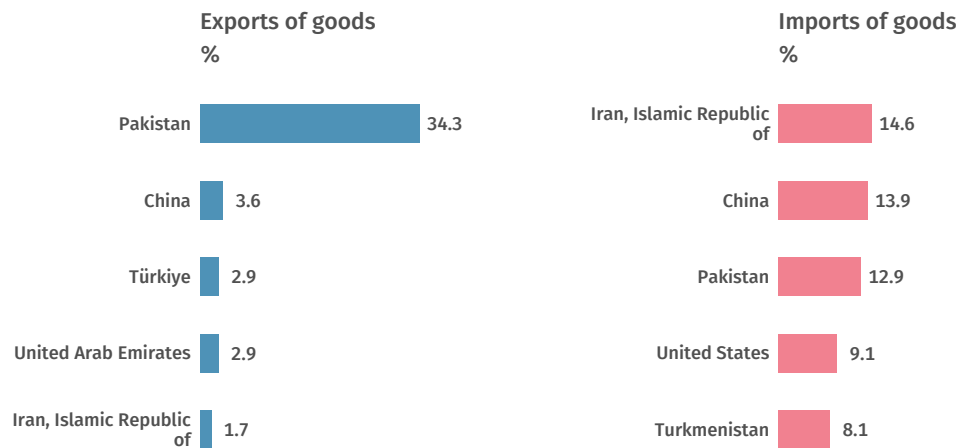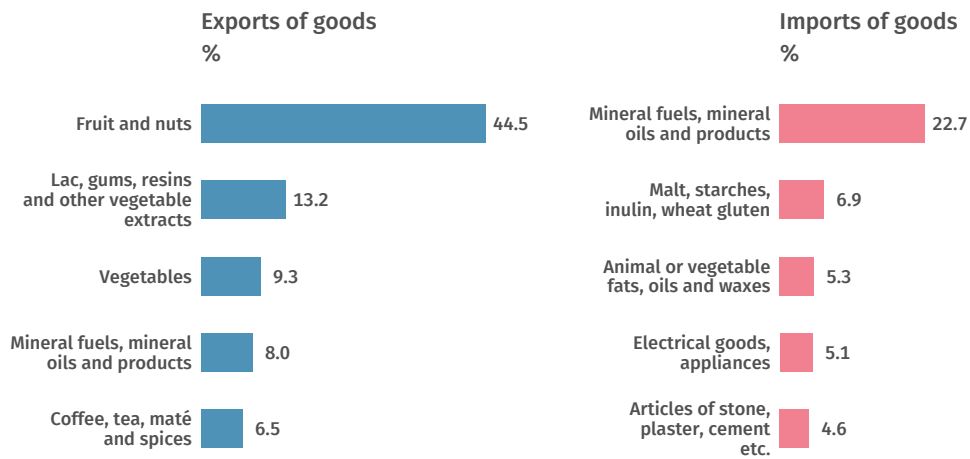| Goods exported to Germany mn US$ **11.7** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade	Goods exported to Germany % of all goods exported **1.3** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade*	Goods imported from Germany mn US$ **89.7** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade	Goods imported from Germany % of all goods imported **1.0** (2019) Source: UN Comtrade*

Main trading partners 2019

Exports of goods
%

Pakistan	34.3
China	3.6
Türkiye	2.9
United Arab Emirates	2.9
Iran, Islamic Republic of	1.7

Imports of goods
%

Iran, Islamic Republic of	14.6
China	13.9
Pakistan	12.9
United States	9.1
Turkmenistan	8.1

Main commodities traded 2019

Exports of goods
%

Fruit and nuts	44.5
Lac, gums, resins and other vegetable extracts	13.2
Vegetables	9.3
Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	8.0
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	6.5

Imports of goods
%

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	22.7
Malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten	6.9
Animal or vegetable fats, oils and waxes	5.3
Electrical goods, appliances	5.1
Articles of stone, plaster, cement etc.	4.6

Source: UN Comtrade*

Classification of commodities: Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding Systems (HS2).

Transport

Passenger cars	Total rail network	Air transport, passengers
per 1,000 inhabitants	km per 1 mn inhabitants	per 1,000 inhabitants
34	**No data**	**12**
(2015)		(2020)
Source: OICA*	Source: WB-WDI*	Source: WB-WDI*

Gasoline price at the pump
US$ per litre

Data collection conducted every two years.
Source: WB-WDI
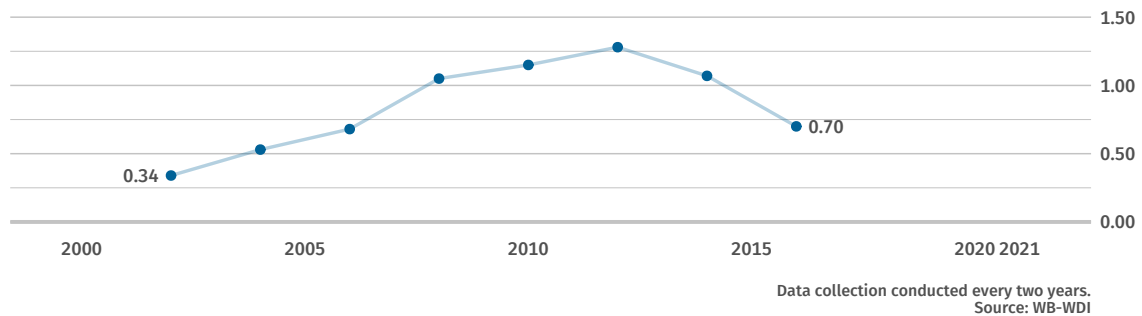
Environment and energy

Carbon dioxide emissions	Total primary energy supply	Gross electricity consumption	Renewable energy
tonnes per capita	kg oil equivalent per capita	kWh per capita	% of total final energy consumption
0.2	**No data**	**No data**	**18.5**
(2021)			(2019)
Source: EDGAR	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI

Carbon dioxide emissions in relation to Germany 2021
tonnes per capita

Afghanistan
0.2

Germany
8.1
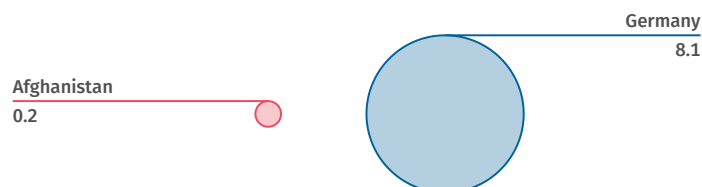
Source: EDGAR

Science, research, technology

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	Researchers	Resident patent applications
% of GDP	per 1 mn inhabitants	per 1 mn inhabitants
No data	**No data**	**No data**
Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: WIPO

Dissemination of modern communication technology
per 100 inhabitants

- mobile cellular subscriptions
- internet users
- fixed broadband subscriptions

2011: Missing data. Source: ITU
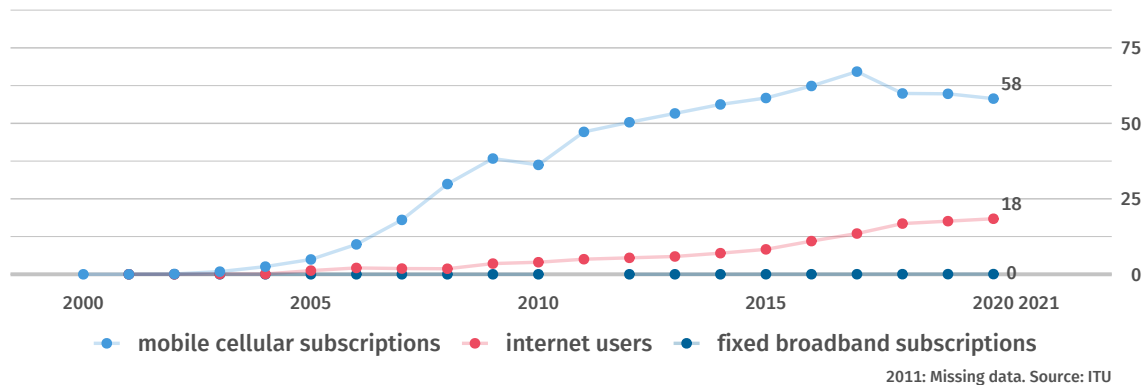
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FAO	United Nations, Food and Agricultural Organization
ILOSTAT	International Labour Organization, ILOSTAT - Database
IMF-IFS	International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics
IMF-WEO	International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook
ITU	United Nations, International Telecommunication Union
OICA	International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers
UN Comtrade	United Nations, Comtrade Database
UNCTAD	United Nations, Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNPOP	United Nations, Population Division
UNSD	United Nations, Statistics Division
WB-WDI	World Bank, World Development Indicators
WHO	World Health Organization, Global Health Observatory
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization

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