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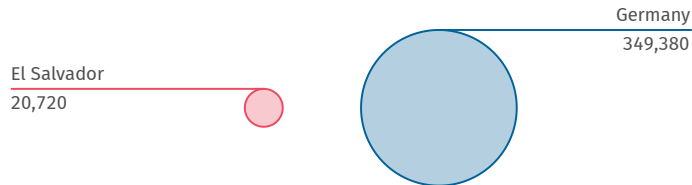
General information

Capital city	Official language	Currency
San Salvador	**Spanish**	**United States Dollar**

Land area in relation to Germany
km²

El Salvador
20,720

Germany
349,380

Source: WB-WDI

Economy and finance

Gross domestic product (GDP), total	GDP, real change	GDP per capita	GDP per capita
bn US$	% since 2000	US$	internat. US$
28	**+49**	**4,345**	**9,714**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO*	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO
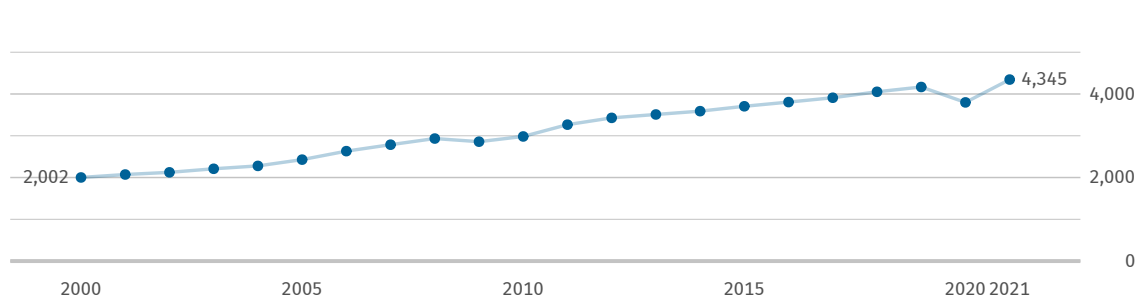
Gross domestic product, real change
% on previous year

1.1

10.3

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021

Source: IMF-WEO

Gross domestic product per capita
US$

2,002

4,345

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
+3.5	**83.6**	**-5.7**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: IMF-IFS	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO
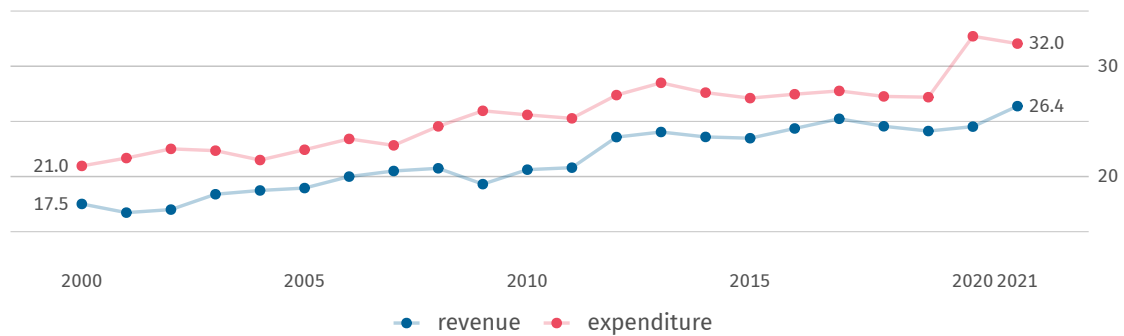
General government revenue and expenditure
% of GDP

● revenue   ● expenditure

Source: IMF-WEO

General government net lending / borrowing
% of GDP

● surplus   ● deficit

Source: IMF-WEO
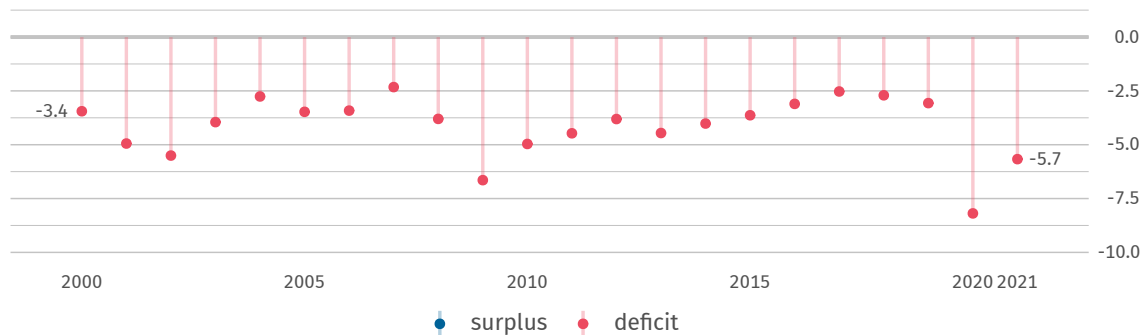
Foreign direct investment (FDI): inward stocks	Foreign direct investment (FDI): outward stocks	Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, inward	Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, outward
bn US$	bn US$	bn US$	bn US$
10.075	**0.003**	**0.200**	**-0.001**
(2020)	(2020)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD	Source: UNCTAD
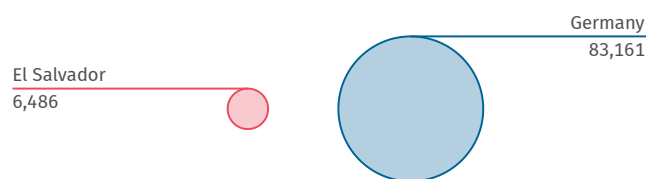
Population

Population total 1,000	Population density inhabitants per km²	Life expectancy at birth (women) years	Life expectancy at birth (men) years
6,486	**313**	**78.0**	**68.7**
(2020)	(2020)	(2020)	(2020)
Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI

Population in relation to Germany 2020
1,000

Germany
83,161

El Salvador
6,486

Source: WB-WDI

Population
1,000

6,454

Projection medium variant after 2019

7,500

5,000

2,500

0
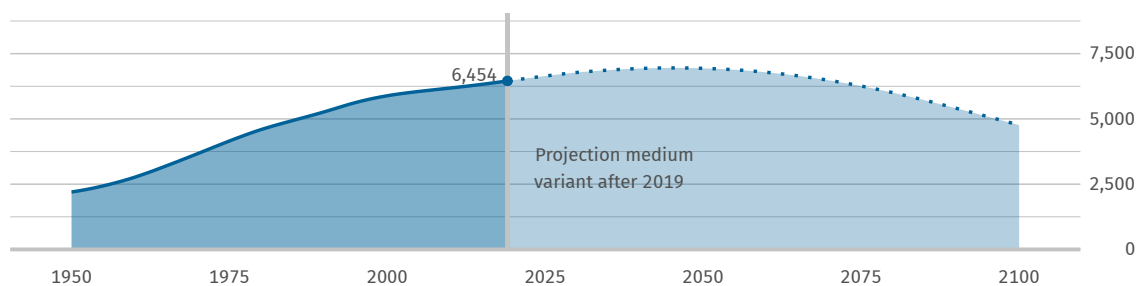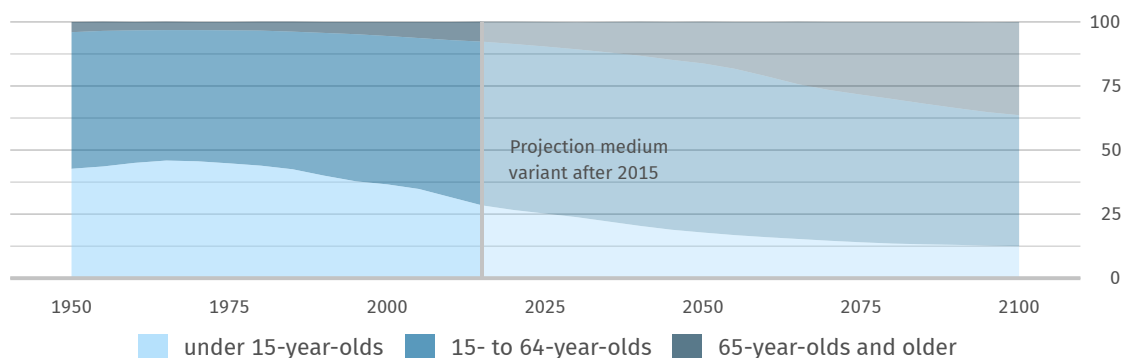
1950   1975   2000   2025   2050   2075   2100

Source: UN-POP

Population by age group
proportion, %

Projection medium variant after 2015

100

75

50

25

0

1950   1975   2000   2025   2050   2075   2100

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

Source: UN-POP

♡ Health

Practising physicians	Hospital beds	Prevalence of raised blood pressure	Prevalence of obesity (BMI >= 30)
per 1,000 inhabitants	per 1,000 inhabitants	%	%
2.9	**1.2**	**18.7**	**24.6**
(2018)	(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
3.4	**26.9**	**27.6**	**2,967**
(2019)	(2018)	(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	%	%
53.3	**2,723**	**56.7**	**37.9**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT

Employment rate (persons aged 15+)
%
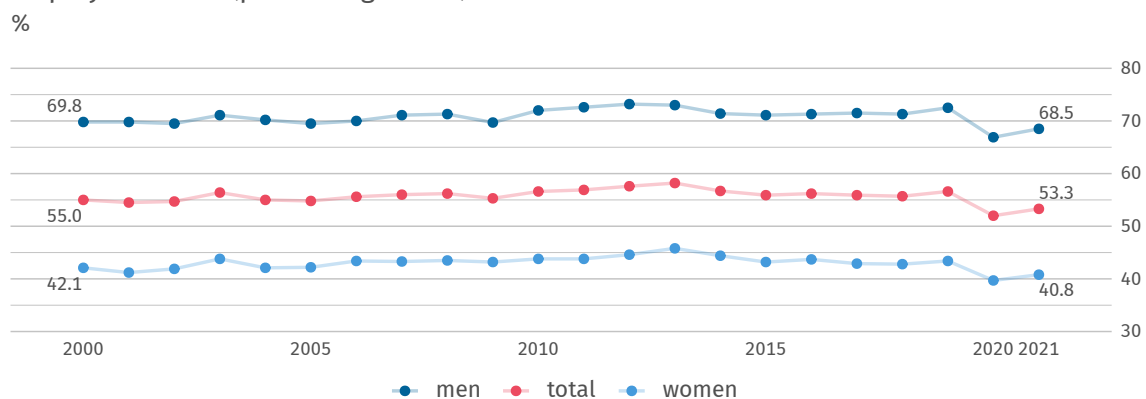
Source: ILOSTAT

Employment and gross value added by sector 2020
%

Employment

16.0	22.1	62.0	

Gross value added

5.1	23.8	61.5	9.6

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

Source employment: ILOSTAT
Source gross value added: WB-WDI

Unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)	Unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24)	Long-term unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)
%	%	% of unemployed persons
5.9	**13.7**	**No data**
(2021)	(2021)	
Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT

Unemployment rate and youth unemployment rate
%

●— youth unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24)   ●— unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)

Source: ILOSTAT

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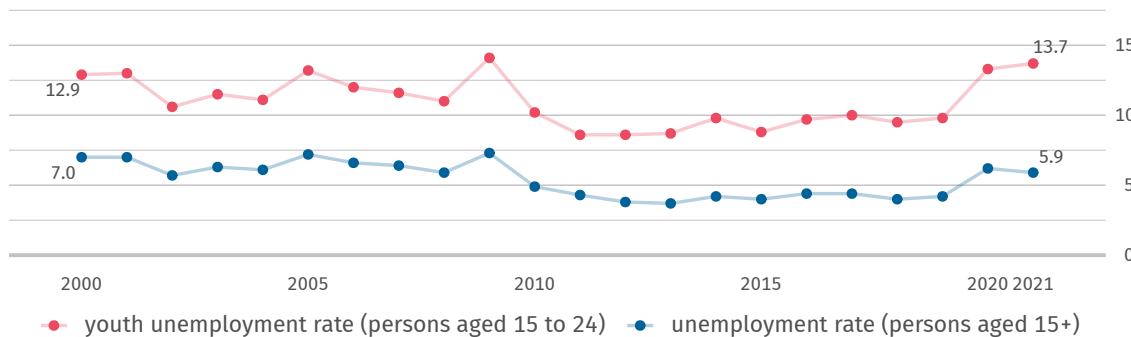
Living conditions

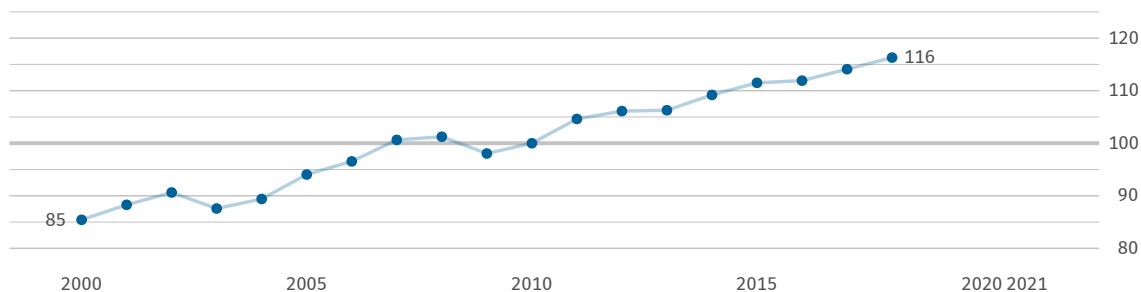| Human Development Index (HDI) value (0 low to 1 high)	Human Development Index (HDI) rank (of 188 countries)	Income distribution: Gini coefficient value (0 to 100; 0=equal distribution)
0.673	**124**	**38.8**
(2019)	(2019)	(2019)
Source: UNDP	Source: UNDP	Source: WB-WDI

Production

Index of industrial production
2010=100

Source: IMF-IFS

Agriculture and forestry

Change of agricultural production % since 2000	Agricultural land % of land area	Forest area % of land area
+11	**57.7**	**28.4**
(2020)	(2019)	(2019)
Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*
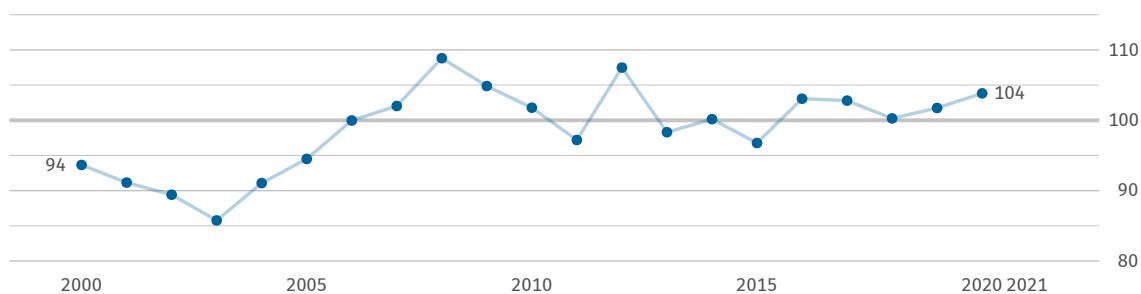
Index of agricultural production
2014 to 2016 = 100

Source: FAO

🌐 Foreign trade

Export of goods bn US$	Import of goods bn US$	Trade balance, goods bn US$
6.629	**15.076**	**-8.447**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*
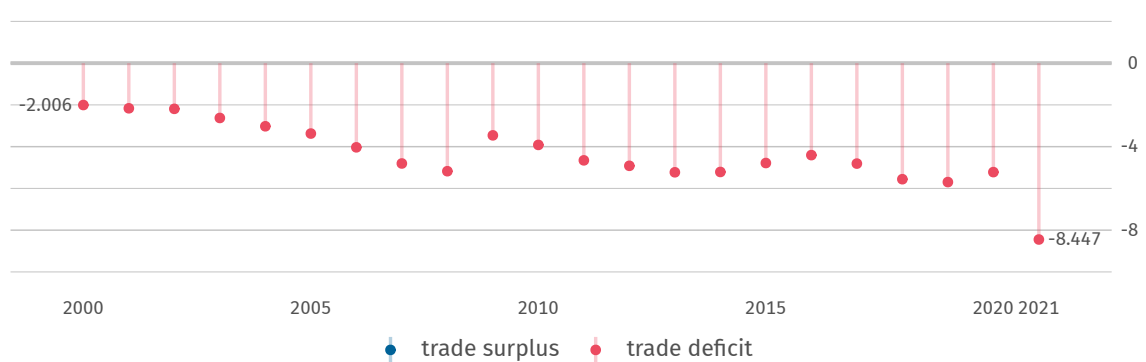
Export and import of goods
bn US$

- exported goods, total   - imported goods, total

Source: UN Comtrade

Foreign trade balance
bn US$

- trade surplus   - trade deficit

Source: UN Comtrade

Goods exported to Germany mn US$	Goods exported to Germany % of all goods exported	Goods imported from Germany mn US$	Goods imported from Germany % of all goods imported
48.4	**0.7**	**195**	**1.3**
(2021)	(2021)	(2021)	(2021)
Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*	Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*

Main trading partners 2021

Exports of goods
%

United States 39.9

Guatemala 17.3

Honduras 16.4

Nicaragua 7.4

Costa Rica 4.2

Imports of goods
%

United States 27.2

China 16.8

Guatemala 10.6

Mexico 8.1

Honduras 5.8

Main commodities traded 2021

Exports of goods
%

Apparel, knitted or crocheted 29.6

Plastics and articles thereof 7.8

Paper and paperboard, articles thereof 5.8

Electrical goods, appliances 5.6

Sugars, confectionery 4.8

Imports of goods
%

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products 13.1

Machinery and mechanical appliances 7.9

Electrical goods, appliances 7.4

Plastics and articles thereof 6.3

Vehicles (excl. rail) and parts 5.4

Source: UN Comtrade*

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

🚚 Transport

Passenger cars per 1,000 inhabitants	Total rail network km per 1 mn inhabitants	Air transport per 1,000 inhabitants
17	**91**	**124**
(2015)	(2003)	(2020)
Source: OICA*	Source: WB-WDI*	Source: WB-WDI*
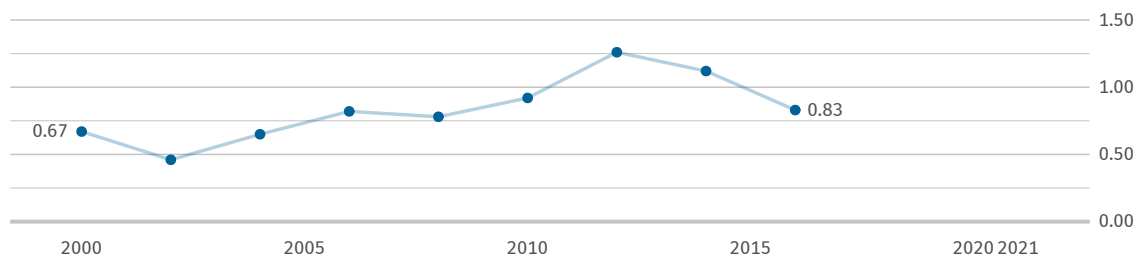
Gasoline price at the pump
US$ per litre

0.67
0.83

2000   2005   2010   2015   2020 2021

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

🌬️ Environment and energy

Carbon dioxide emissions tonnes per capita	Total primary energy supply kg oil equivalent per capita	Gross electricity consumption kWh per capita	Renewable energy % of total final energy consumption
1.0	**646**	**937**	**23.2**
(2020)	(2014)	(2014)	(2018)
Source: EDGAR	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI
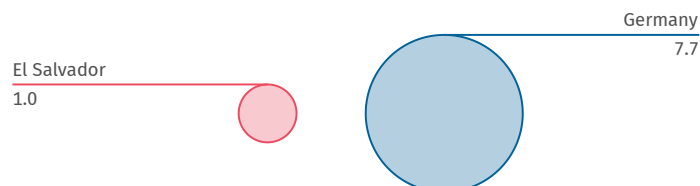
Carbon dioxide emissions in relation to Germany 2020
tonnes per capita

El Salvador
1.0

Germany
7.7

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
0.2	**71**	**1**
(2018)	(2018)	(2020)
Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: WIPO
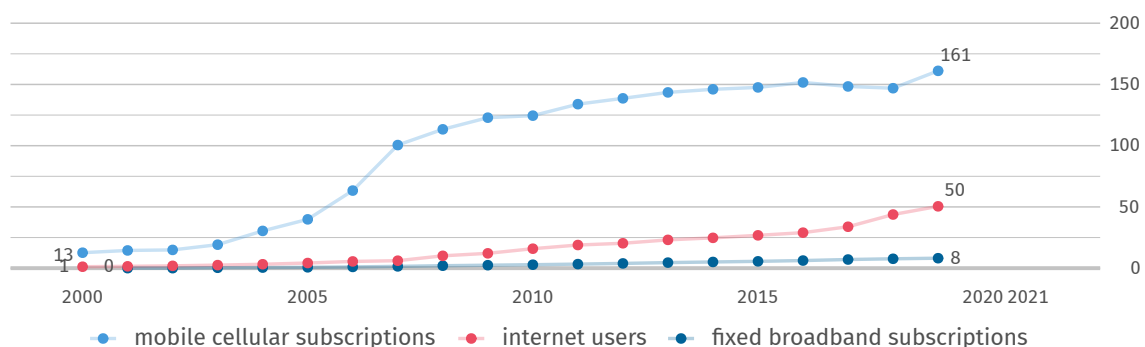
Dissemination of modern communication technology
per 100 inhabitants

Source: ITU

Legend: mobile cellular subscriptions — internet users — fixed broadband subscriptions

Sources

EDGAR	Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research, European Commission
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
WB-WDI	World Bank, World Development Indicators
WHO	World Health Organization, Global Health Observatory
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization

* Own calculations based on the original data source.

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