Gabon

Statistical Country Profile

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General information

Capital city	Official language	Currency
Libreville	**French**	**CFA Franc BEAC**

Land area in relation to Germany
km²

Gabon
257,670

Germany
349,360
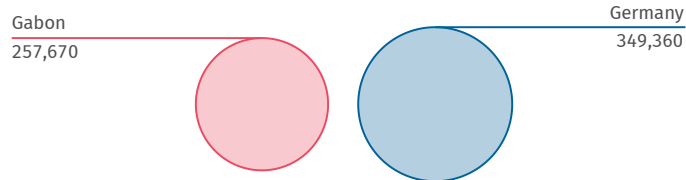
Source: WB-WDI

Economy and finance

Gross domestic product (GDP), total bn US$	GDP, real change % since 2000	GDP per capita US$	GDP per capita internat. US$
17	**+60**	**8,111**	**16,273**
(2019)	(2019)	(2019)	(2019)
Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO*	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO

Gross domestic product, real change
% on previous year

-1.9

3.8

2000　　2005　　2010　　2015　　2019

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0

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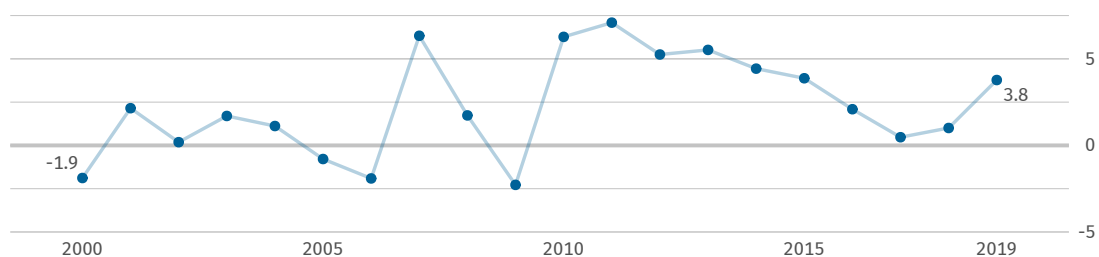
Source: IMF-WEO

Gross domestic product per capita
US$

4,477

8,111

2000　　2005　　2010　　2015　　2019

10,000

5,000

0

Source: IMF-WEO

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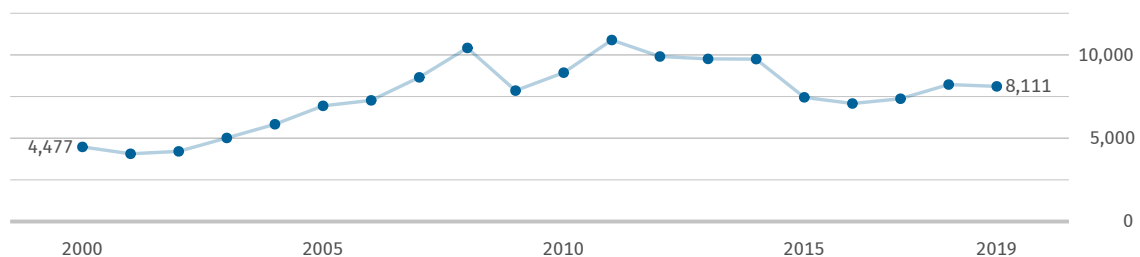
Inflation rate (change of consumer price index)	General government gross debt	General government net lending / borrowing
% on previous year	% of GDP	% of GDP
+2.5	**62.4**	**+2.1**
(2019)	(2019)	(2019)
Source: IMF-IFS	Source: IMF-WEO	Source: IMF-WEO
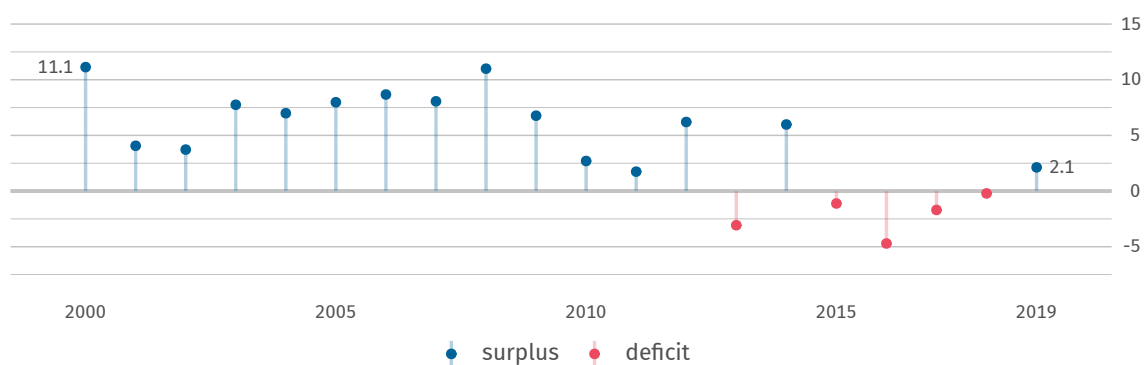
General government revenue and expenditure
% of GDP

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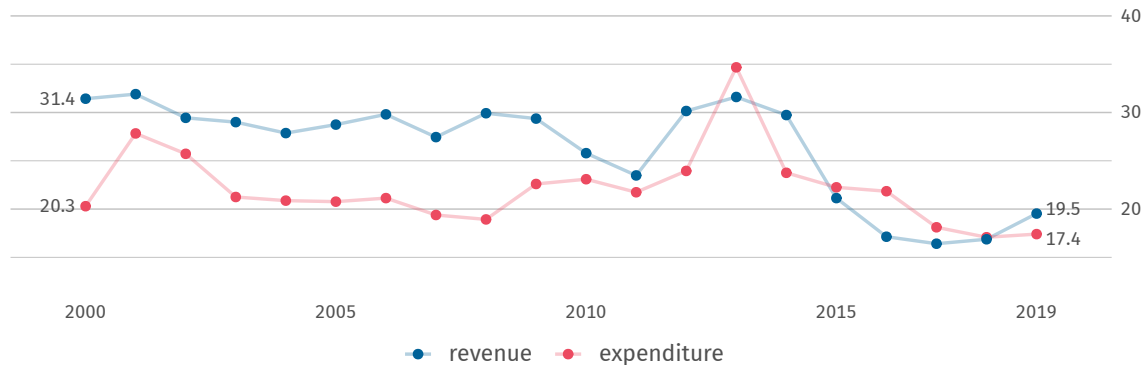
General government net lending / borrowing
% of GDP

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$
12.241	**0.079**	**1.553**	**-0.034**
(2019)	(2019)	(2019)	(2019)
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
2,173	**8**	**68.3**	**64.2**
(2019)	(2018)	(2018)	(2018)
Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI

Population in relation to Germany 2019
1,000

Gabon
2,173

Germany
83,133

Source: WB-WDI

Population
1,000

2,173

Projection medium variant after 2019
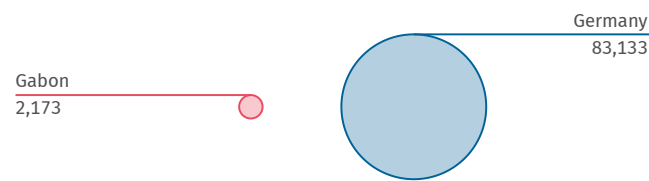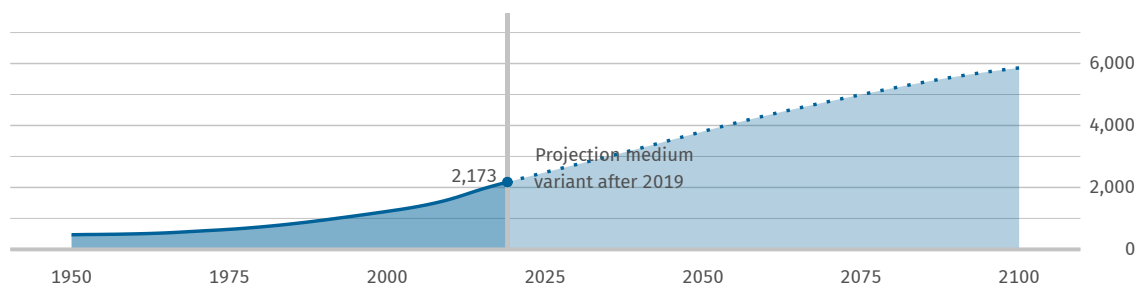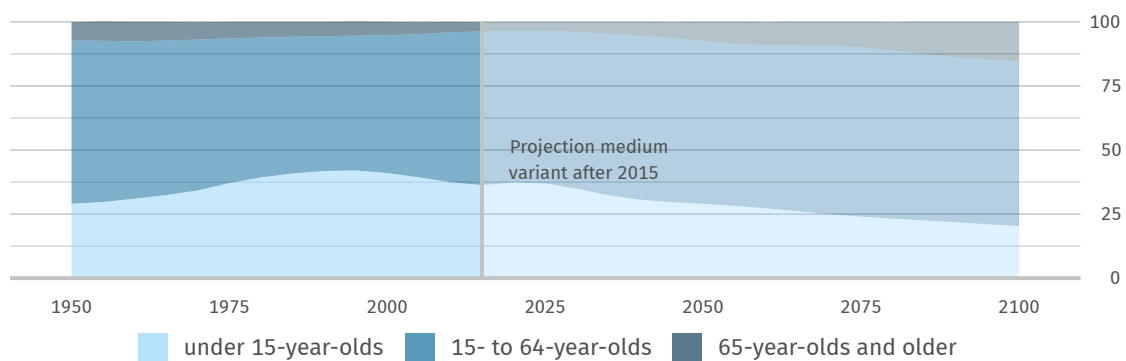
Source: UN-POP

Population by age group
proportion, %

Projection medium variant after 2015

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	%	%
0.4	**6.3**	**25.5**	**15.0**
(2016)	(2010)	(2015)	(2016)
Source: WHO	Source: WHO	Source: WHO	Source: WHO

Education
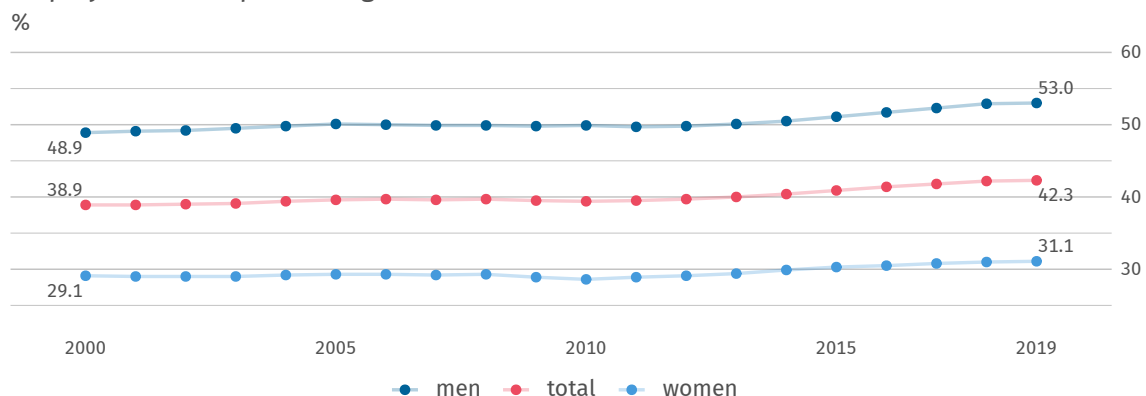
Government expenditure on education	Pupil-teacher ratio (primary education)	Pupil-teacher ratio (secondary education)	Students (tertiary education)
% of GDP	number	number	per 100,000 inhabitants
2.7	**24.5**	**No data**	**763**
(2014)	(2011)		(2003)
Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: 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	%	%
42.3	**722**	**52.9**	**33.8**
(2019)	(2019)	(2019)	(2019)
Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT	Source: ILOSTAT

Employment rate (persons aged 15+)
%

Source: ILOSTAT

Employment and gross value added by sector 2019
%

Employment

32.8	10.8	56.4

Gross value added

5.7	48.5	40.1	5.7

■ 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
20.0 (2019) Source: ILOSTAT	**36.0** (2019) Source: ILOSTAT	**No data** Source: ILOSTAT

Unemployment rate and youth unemployment rate
%

37.1   36.0

17.4   20.0

2000   2005   2010   2015   2019
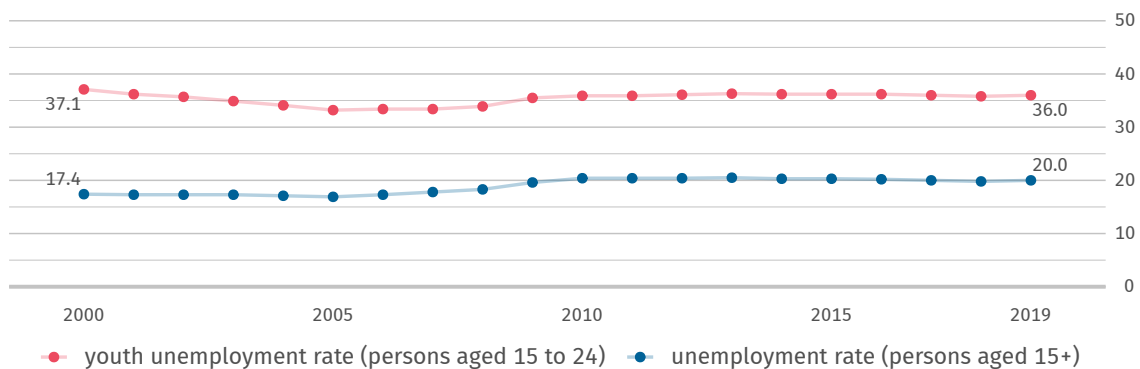
-●- youth unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24)   -●- unemployment rate (persons aged 15+)

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)
0.697	**109**	**38.0**
(2015)	(2015)	(2017)
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
+28	**8.6**	**91.4**
(2018)	(2018)	(2018)
Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*	Source: FAO*

Index of agricultural production
2014 to 2016 = 100
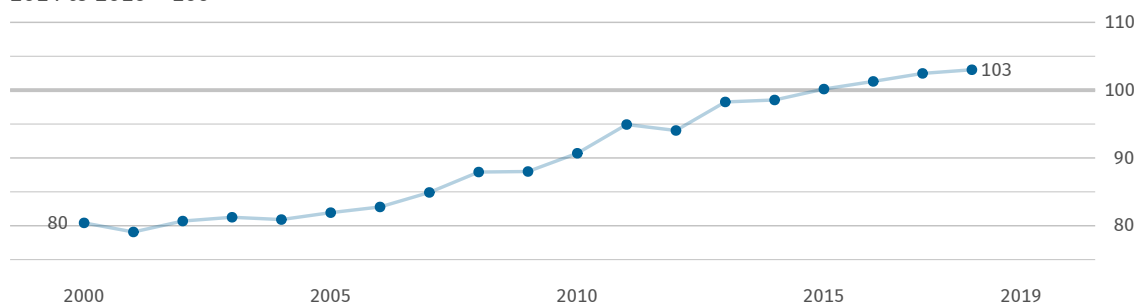
Source: FAO

🌐 Foreign trade

Export of goods	Import of goods	Trade balance, goods
bn US$	bn US$	bn US$
5.356	**2.501**	**+2.855**
(2009)	(2009)	(2009)
Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*
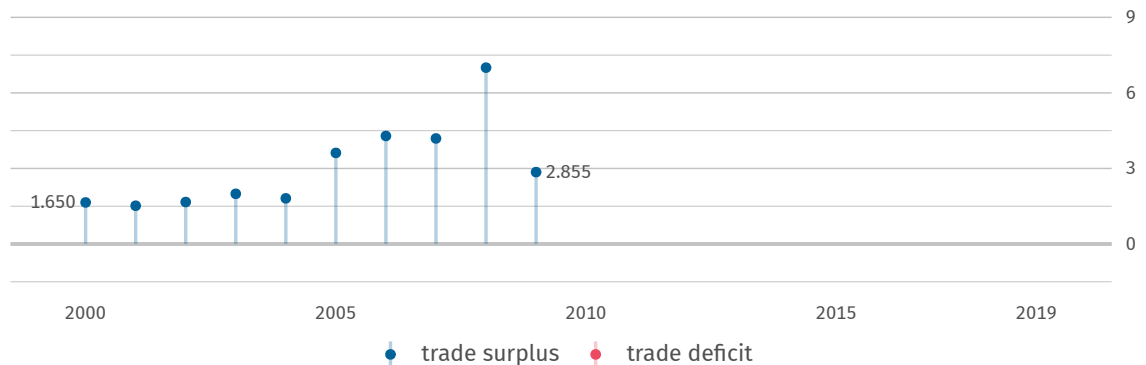
Export and import of goods
bn US$

exported goods, total   imported goods, total
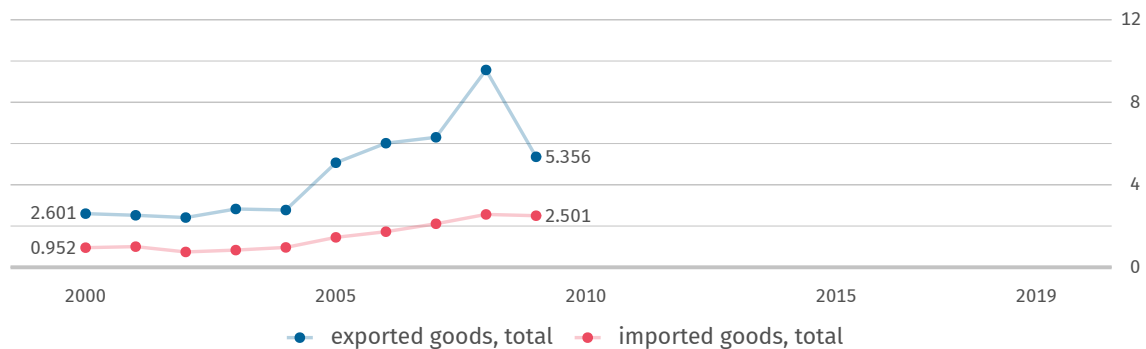
Source: UN Comtrade

Foreign trade balance
bn US$

trade surplus   trade deficit

Source: UN Comtrade

Goods exported to Germany	Goods exported to Germany	Goods imported from Germany	Goods imported from Germany
mn US$	% of all goods exported	mn US$	% of all goods imported
28.3	**0.5**	**37.0**	**1.5**
(2009)	(2009)	(2009)	(2009)
Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*	Source: UN Comtrade	Source: UN Comtrade*

Main trading partners 2009

Exports of goods
%

United States	59.0
China	8.0
Spain	5.3
France	4.6
Malaysia	4.0

Imports of goods
%

France	32.9
Belgium	15.7
United States	7.1
Italy	5.1
China	4.9

Main commodities traded 2009

Exports of goods
%

Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	83.1
Wood and articles of wood	10.4
Ores, slag and ash	3.0
Machinery and mechanical appliances	1.2
Tobacco, tobacco supplement products	0.6

Imports of goods
%

Machinery and mechanical appliances	17.8
Articles of iron or steel	13.3
Electrical goods, appliances	8.0
Vehicles (excl. rail) and parts	7.4
Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products	7.3

Source: UN Comtrade*

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

Transport

| Passenger cars	Total rail network	Air transport
per 1,000 inhabitants	km per 1 mn inhabitants	per 1,000 inhabitants
No data	**382**	**38**
	(2018)	(2016)
Source: OICA*	Source: WB-WDI*	Source: WB-WDI*

Gasoline price at the pump
US$ per litre

Data collection conducted every two years.
2010: Missing data. 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
1.7	**2,694**	**1,168**	**82.0**
(2019)	(2014)	(2014)	(2015)
Source: EDGAR	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI
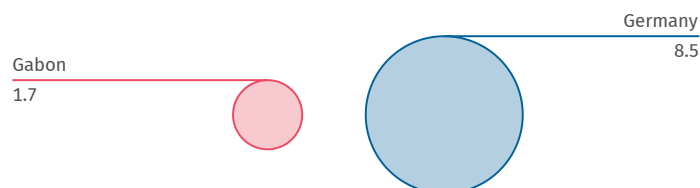
Carbon dioxide emissions in relation to Germany 2019
tonnes per capita

Gabon
1.7

Germany
8.5

Source: EDGAR

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Science, research, technology

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	Researchers	Resident patent applications
% of GDP	per 1 mn inhabitants	per 1 mn inhabitants
0.6	**No data**	**4**
(2009)		(2019)
Source: UNESCO	Source: UNESCO	Source: WIPO
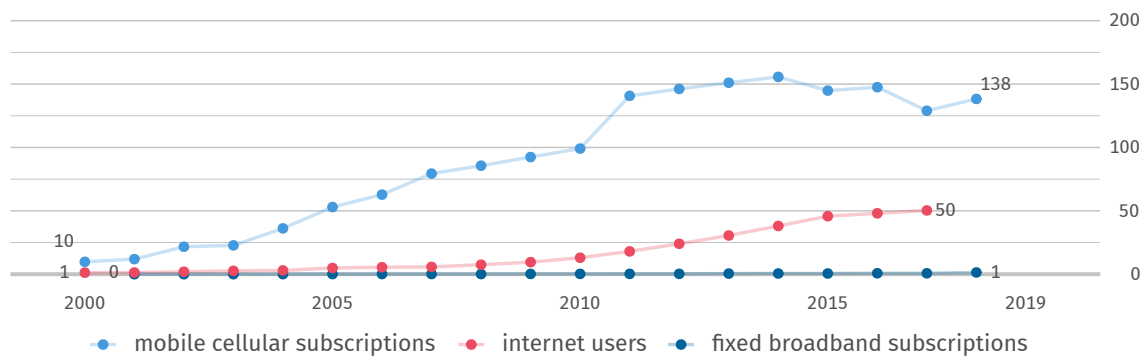
Dissemination of modern communication technology
per 100 inhabitants

- mobile cellular subscriptions
- internet users
- fixed broadband subscriptions

Source: ITU

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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