# Nepal 🇳🇵

## Statistical Country Profile

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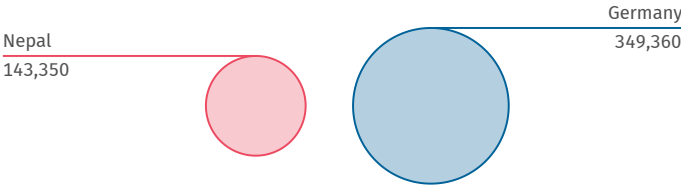Contact us: www.destatis.de/contact
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# General information

| Capital city | Official language | Currency |
|---|---|---|
| **Kathmandu** | **Nepali** | **Nepalese Rupee** |

### Land area in relation to Germany
km²

Nepal
143,350

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$ |
|---|---|---|---|
| **43** | **+161** | **1,389** | **5,412** |
| (2024) | (2024) | (2024) | (2024) |
| Source: IMF-WEO | Source: IMF-WEO* | Source: IMF-WEO | Source: IMF-WEO |

### Gross domestic product, real change
% on previous year

6.1

3.1
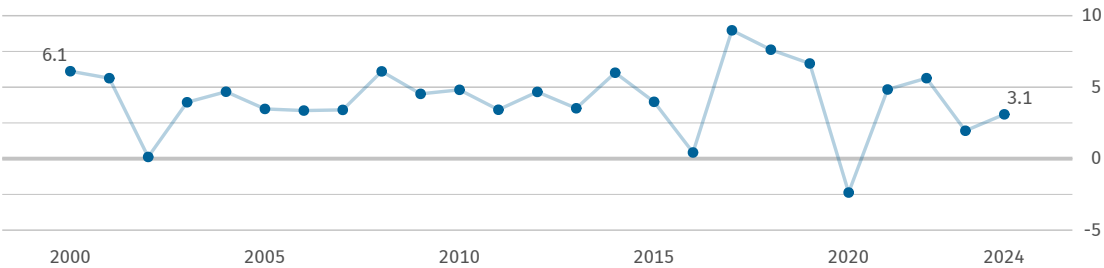
Source: IMF-WEO

### Gross domestic product per capita
US$

266

1,389

Source: IMF-WEO

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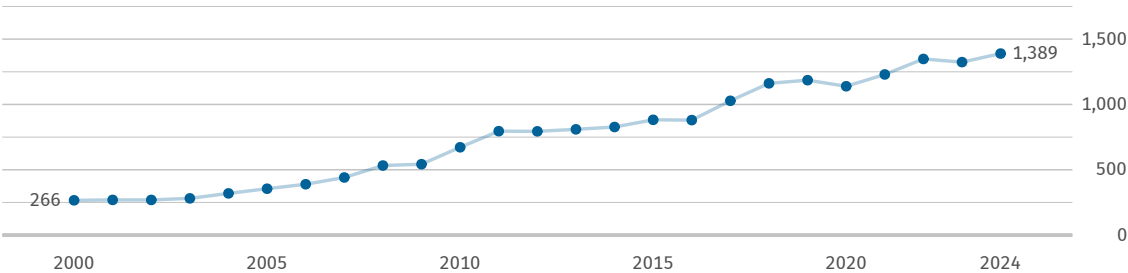
## Gross domestic product per capita in relation to Germany, 2024
US$

Germany
54,990

Nepal
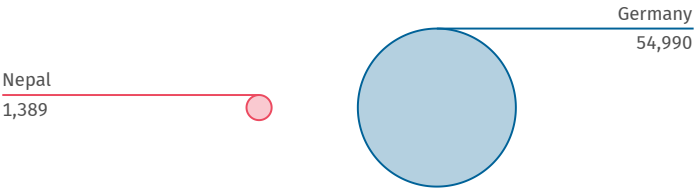1,389

Source: IMF-WEO

| Inflation rate (change of consumer price index) | General government gross debt | General government net lending / borrowing |
|---|---|---|
| % on previous year | % of GDP | % of GDP |
| **+7.1** | **47.9** | **-2.7** |
| (2023) | (2024) | (2024) |
| Source: IMF-IFS | Source: IMF-WEO | Source: IMF-WEO |

## General government revenue and expenditure
% of GDP

11.4
10.0

21.9
19.1

revenue · expenditure

Source: IMF-WEO

## General government net lending / borrowing
% of GDP

-1.5

-2.7

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$ |
| **2.067** | **No data** | **0.074** | **No data** |
| (2023) | | (2023) | |
| 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 |
| **29,651** | **207** | **71.8** | **68.8** |
| (2024) | (2022) | (2023) | (2023) |
| Source: WB-WDI | Source: WB-WDI | Source: WB-WDI | Source: WB-WDI |

## Population in relation to Germany, 2024
1,000

Nepal
29,651

Germany
83,511

Source: WB-WDI

## Population
1,000

Projection medium variant after 2023

Source: UN-POP

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## Population by age group
proportion, %



Projection medium
variant after 2023

■ under 15-year-olds  ■ 15- to 64-year-olds  ■ 65-year-olds and older
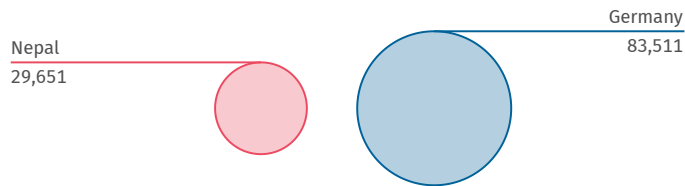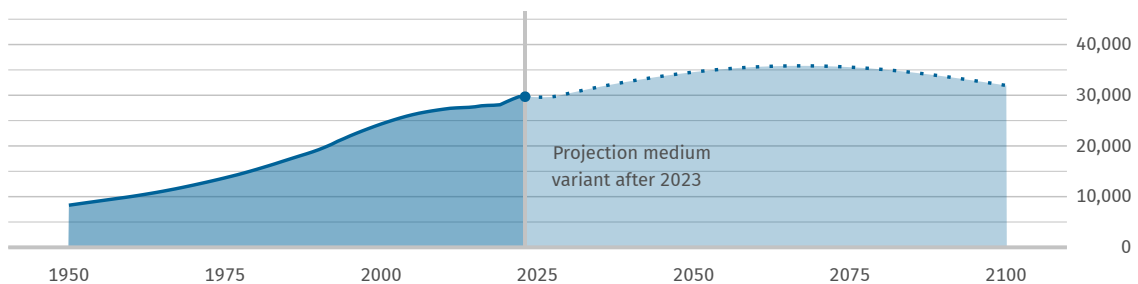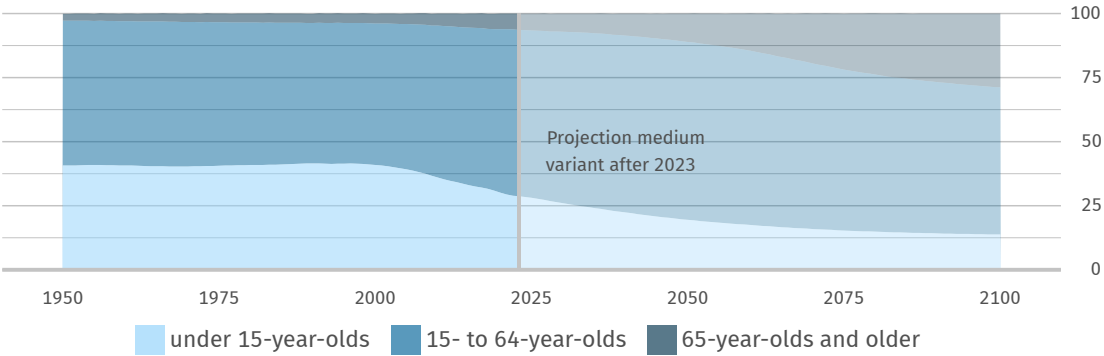
Source: UN-POP

## Population pyramid, 2024
% of total population

men                    age group                    women



| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | 100+ | |
| | 95–99 | |
| | 90–94 | |
| | 85–89 | |
| | 80–84 | |
| | 75–79 | |
| | 70–74 | |
| | 65–69 | |
| | 60–64 | |
| | 55–59 | |
| | 50–54 | |
| | 45–49 | |
| | 40–44 | |
| | 35–39 | |
| | 30–34 | |
| | 25–29 | |
| | 20–24 | |
| | 15–19 | |
| | 10–14 | |
| | 5–9 | |
| | 0–4 | |

Source: UN-POP

# Health

| Practising physicians per 1,000 inhabitants | Hospital beds per 1,000 inhabitants | Prevalence of raised blood pressure % | Prevalence of obesity (BMI >= 30) % |
|---|---|---|---|
| **0.9** | **0.4** | **33.5** | **7.0** |
| (2021) | (2021) | (2019) | (2022) |
| Source: WHO | Source: WHO | Source: WHO | Source: WHO |

# Education

| Government expenditure on education % of GDP | Pupil-teacher ratio (primary education) number | Pupil-teacher ratio (secondary education) number | Students (tertiary education) per 100,000 inhabitants |
|---|---|---|---|
| **4.0** | **23.2** | **34.9** | **1,951** |
| (2023) | (2024) | (2024) | (2023) |
| Source: UNESCO | Source: UNESCO | Source: UNESCO | Source: UNESCO* |

# Labour force

| Employment rate (persons aged 15+) % | Labour force (persons aged 15+) 1,000 | Labour force participation rate (persons aged 15+) % | Self-employment (persons aged 15+) % |
|---|---|---|---|
| **35.5** | **8,435** | **39.7** | **80.2** |
| (2024) | (2024) | (2024) | (2023) |
| Source: ILOSTAT | Source: ILOSTAT | Source: ILOSTAT | Source: ILOSTAT |

Employment rate (persons aged 15+)
%
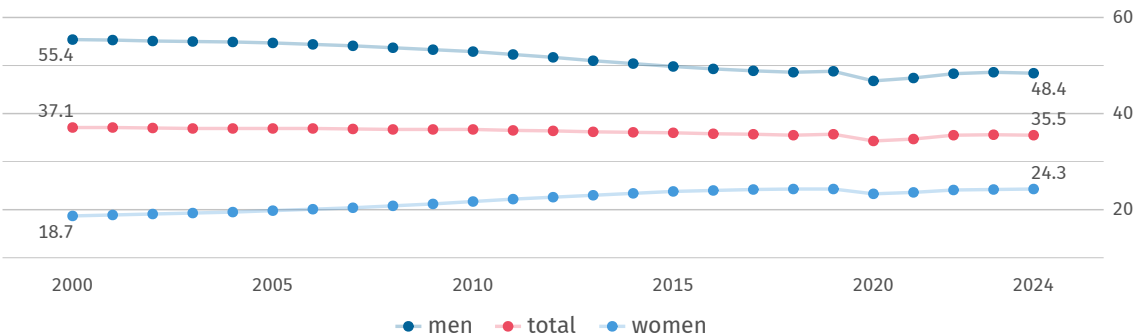


Source: ILOSTAT

## Employment and gross value added by sector, 2023
%

Employment

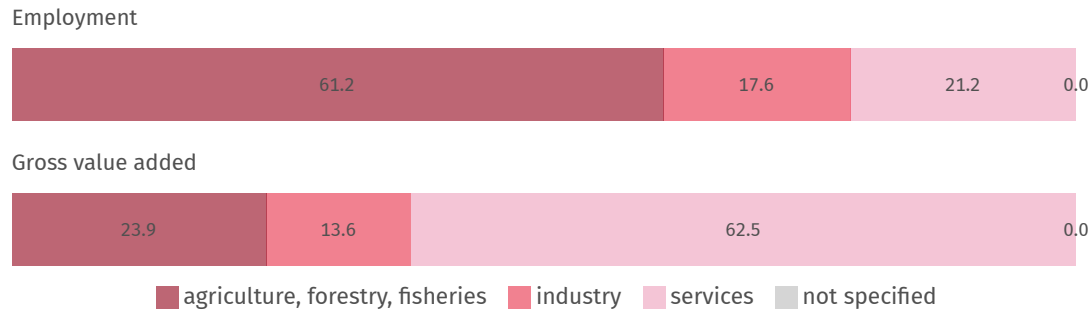| 61.2 | 17.6 | 21.2 | 0.0 |
|---|---|---|---|

Gross value added

| 23.9 | 13.6 | 62.5 | 0.0 |
|---|---|---|---|

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

Source for employment: ILOSTAT
Source for 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 |
|---|---|---|
| **10.7** | **20.8** | **29.6** |
| (2024) | (2024) | (2017) |
| 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
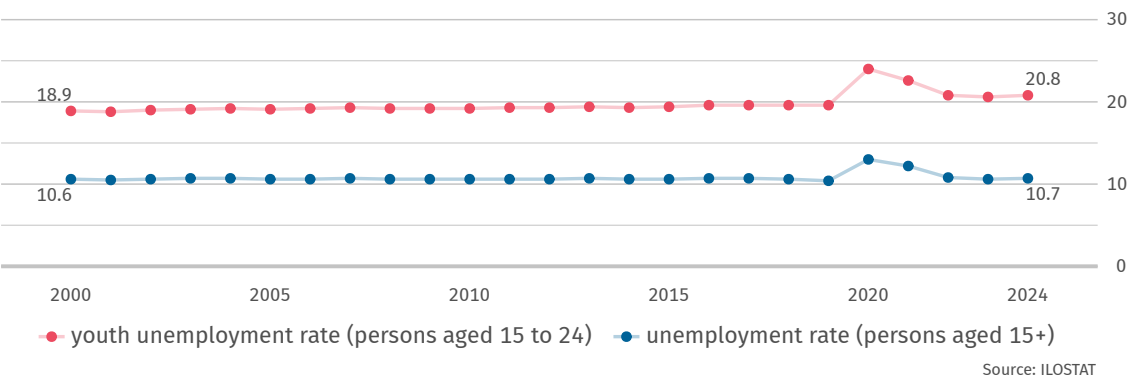
## Living conditions

| Human Development Index (HDI) | Human Development Index (HDI) | Income distribution: Gini coefficient |
|---|---|---|
| value (0 low to 1 high) | rank (of 193 countries) | value (0 to 100; 0=equal distribution) |
| **0.622** | **145** | **30.0** |
| (2023) | (2023) | (2022) |
| Source: UNDP | Source: UNDP | Source: WB-WDI |

## Manufacturing

Index of industrial production
2010=100



Source: IMF-IFS
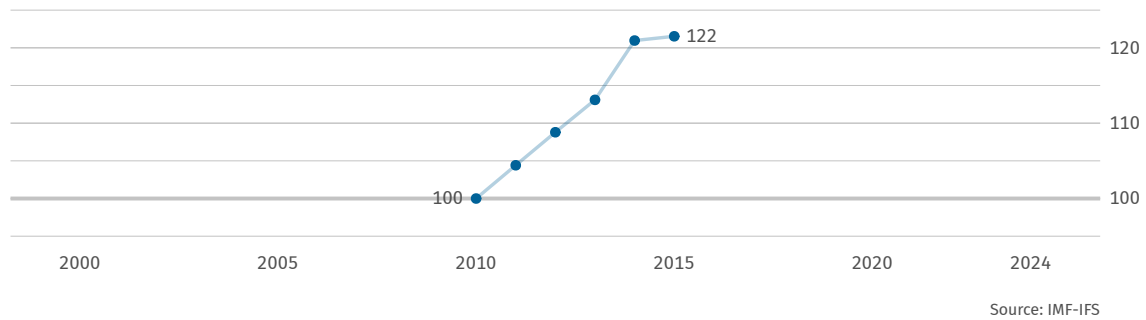
## Agriculture and forestry

| Change in agricultural production | Agricultural land | Forest area |
|---|---|---|
| % since 2000 | % of land area | % of land area |
| **+101** | **26.1** | **41.6** |
| (2023) | (2023) | (2023) |
| Source: FAO* | Source: FAO* | Source: FAO* |

Index of agricultural production
2014 to 2016 = 100



Source: FAO
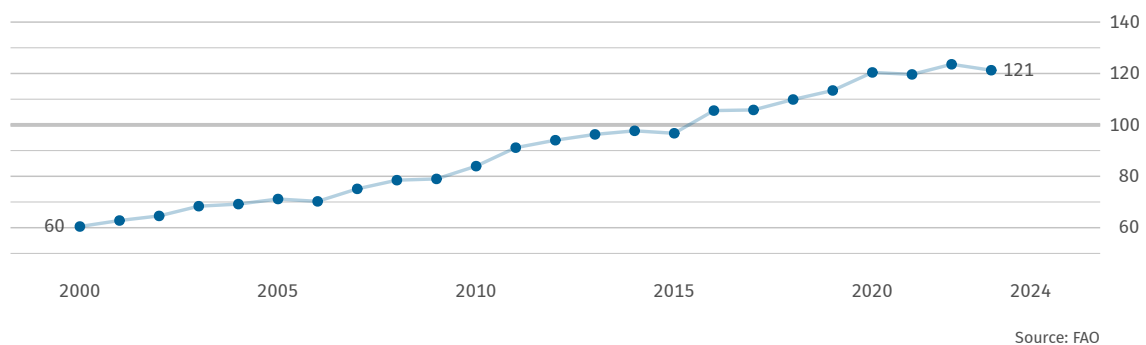
# Foreign trade

| Export of goods | Import of goods | Trade balance, goods |
|:---:|:---:|:---:|
| bn US$ | bn US$ | bn US$ |
| **1.300** | **13.744** | **-12.443** |
| (2022) | (2022) | (2022) |
| Source: UN Comtrade | Source: UN Comtrade | Source: UN Comtrade* |

### Export and import of goods
bn US$

1.558
0.709

1.300
13.744

— exported goods, total   — imported goods, total

2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008: Missing data. Source: UN Comtrade
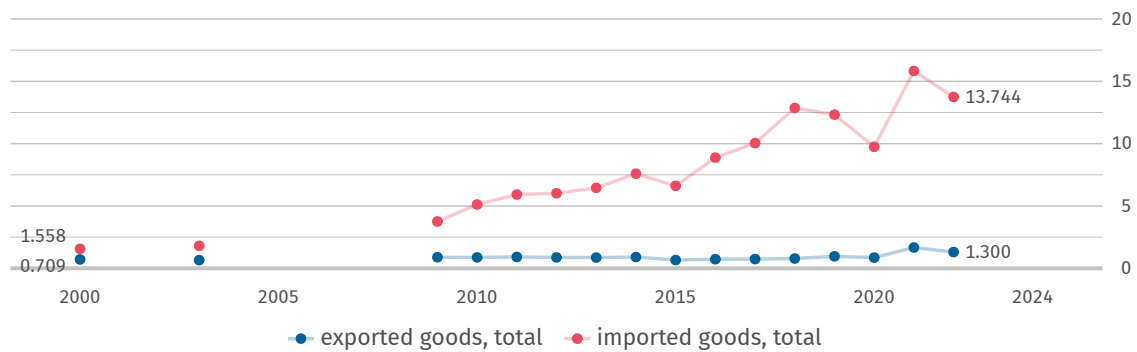
### Foreign trade balance
bn US$

-0.849

-12.443

trade surplus   ● trade deficit

2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008: Missing data. 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 |
| **32.6** | **2.5** | **44.9** | **0.3** |
| (2022) | (2022) | (2022) | (2022) |
| Source: UN Comtrade | Source: UN Comtrade* | Source: UN Comtrade | Source: UN Comtrade* |

## Main trading partners, 2022

### Exports of goods
%

| | |
|---|---|
| United States | 10.3 |
| Germany | 3.0 |
| Turkey | 2.5 |
| United Kingdom | 2.3 |
| China | 1.9 |

### Imports of goods
%

| | |
|---|---|
| India | 63.1 |
| China | 15.7 |
| Indonesia | 2.1 |
| United Arab Emirates | 2.1 |
| United States | 1.3 |
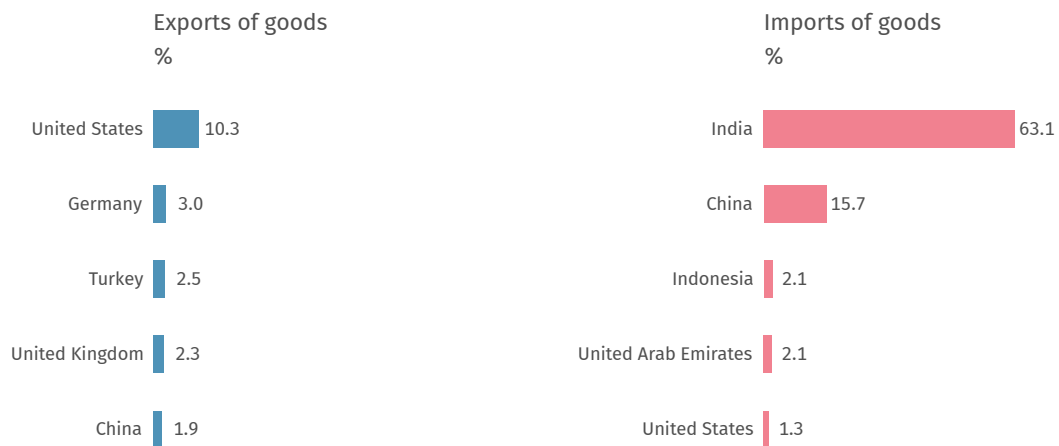
## Main commodities traded, 2022

### Exports of goods
%

| | |
|---|---|
| Animal or vegetable fats, oils and waxes | 30.2 |
| Manmade staple fibres | 7.9 |
| Coffee, tea, maté and spices | 7.0 |
| Textile floor coverings | 6.8 |
| Apparel, not knitted or crocheted | 4.4 |

### Imports of goods
%

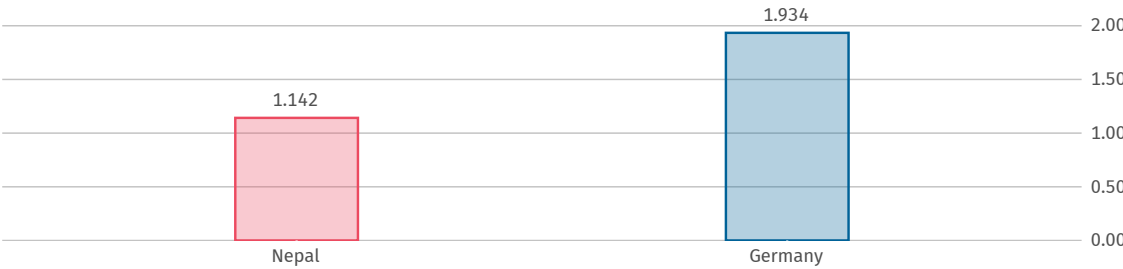| | |
|---|---|
| Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products | 23.0 |
| Iron and steel | 8.1 |
| Machinery and mechanical appliances | 6.9 |
| Electrical goods, appliances | 6.2 |
| Animal or vegetable fats, oils and waxes | 5.5 |

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 |
| **No data** | **No data** | **86** |
| | | (2021) |
| Source: OICA* | Source: WB-WDI* | Source: WB-WDI* |

### Pump price for gasoline in relation to Germany
US$ per litre



Source: GPP, 2025-09-08

# 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 |
| **0.6** | **520** | **321** | **73.7** |
| (2023) | (2022) | (2022) | (2021) |
| Source: EDGAR | Source: WB-WDI | Source: WB-WDI | Source: WB-WDI |

### Carbon dioxide emissions in relation to Germany, 2023
tonnes per capita



Nepal
0.6

Germany
7.1
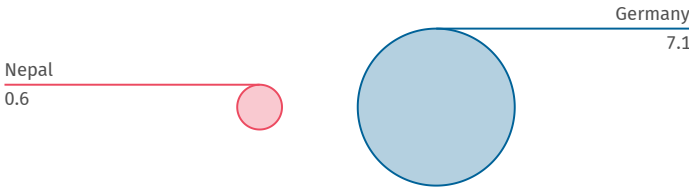
Source: EDGAR

# Science, research and technology

| Gross domestic expenditure on R&D | Researchers | Resident patent applications |
|:---:|:---:|:---:|
| % of GDP | per 1 mn inhabitants | per 1 mn inhabitants |
| **0.3** | **60** | **1** |
| (2010) | (2002) | (2017) |
| Source: UNESCO | Source: UNESCO | Source: WIPO |

## Dissemination of communication technology
per 100 inhabitants



- mobile cellular subscriptions
- internet users
- fixed broadband subscriptions
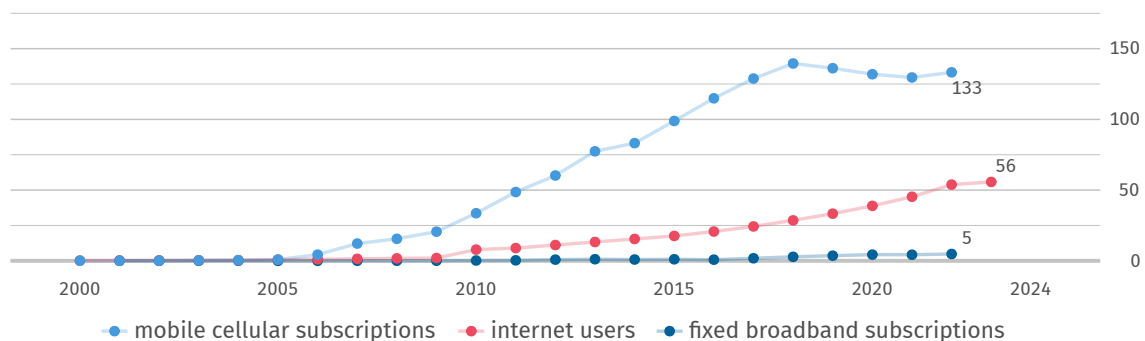
Source: ITU

# Sources

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| FAO | United Nations, Food and Agricultural Organization |
| GPP | GlobalPetrolPrices.com |
| 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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