Country Overview

BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

General information

| Capital: | Sarajevo |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Population: | 3.531.159 |
| Land area: | 51.129 km ² |
| Official language: | Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian |
| Currency: | Convertible mark (BAM) |



Politics

Government type:

Parliamentary republic

Legislature:

Bicameral Parliamentary Assembly, consisting of: House of Peoples and House of Representatives

Head of state:

Bakir Izetbegović (Chairman), Mladen Ivanić and Dragan Čović (8 months rotating presidency)

Head of Goverment:

Chairman of the Council of Ministers Denis Zvizdic

- Bicameral Parliamentary Assembly consists of the House of Peoples (5 Bosniak, 5 Croat, 5 Serb; designated by the FB-H's House of Peoples and the RS's National Assembly) and the state-level House of Representatives (42 seats to include 28 seats allocated to the FB-H and 14 to the RS, elected directly)
- FB-H has a bicameral legislature that consists of the House of Peoples (17 Bosniak, 17 Croat, 17 Serb, 7 other) and the House of Representatives (98 seats, directly elected)
- *RS's* unicameral legislature is the *National Assembly* (83 directly elected)

| Economi | ic i | indi | icators | |
|----------------|------|------|---------|--|
| | | | | |

| | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Nominal GDP (EURm) | 13.407 | 13.692 | 13.988 | 14.616 | 15.288 | 16.121 |
| Real GDP growth (%) | -0,8 | 2,3 | 1,1 | 3,1 | 3,1 | 3,0 |
| Annual inflation (%) | 2,1 | -0,1 | -0,9 | -1,0 | -1,1 | 1,2 |
| Unemployment rate (%) | 28,0 | 27,5 | 27,5 | 27,7 | 25,4 | 20,5 |
| Fiscal Balance (% of GDP) | -2,7 | -1,8 | -2,9 | -0,2 | 0,3 | 1,9 |
| Current account balance (% of GDP) | -8,6 | -5,3 | -7,4 | -5,4 | -4,9 | -4,8 |

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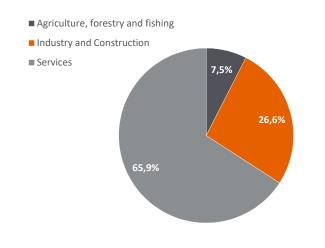
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- Bosnia and Herzegovina has a transitional economy with limited market reforms. The convertible mark the national currency introduced in 1998 is pegged to the euro through a currency board arrangement, which has maintained confidence in the currency and has facilitated reliable trade links with European partners.
- Highly decentralized government hampers economic policy coordination and reform, while excessive bureaucracy and segmented market discourage foreign investment. In 2016, B-H began a three-year IMF loan program, but it has struggled to meet the economic reform benchmarks required to receive all funding installments.
- High unemployment remains the most important macroeconomic problem. Public perception of government corruption and misuse of taxpayer money has encouraged persistance of gray economy.

Share of GDP

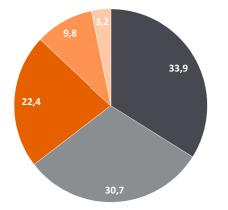


Ease of doing business (2018)

| | Rank (best 1, worst 190) | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Ease of doing Business | 86 | | |
| Starting a business | 175 | | |
| Dealing with construction perm | its 166 | | |
| Getting electricity | 122 | | |
| Getting credit | 55 | | |
| Paying taxes | 137 | | |
| Trading across border | 37 | | |
| Enforcing contracts | 71 | | |
| Resolving insolvency | 40 | | |

Industry, trade and investments

Industry share by MIGs (%)

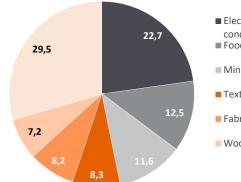


Energy

Intermediate goods

- Consumer non-duarbles
- Capital goods
- Consumer duarbles

Industry share by NACE Rev.2 (%)



Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning

- Food and Beverages
- Mining and quarrying
- Textile, leather and wearing
- Fabricated metal products
- Wood and furniture

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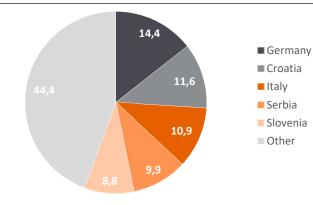
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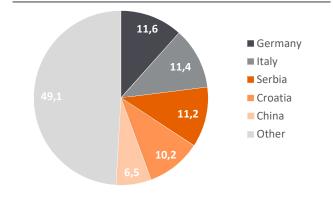
Foreign trade

| EURm | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Exports | 4.008 | 4.274 | 4.428 | 4.584 | 4.803 | 5.637 |
| Imports | 7.779 | 7.737 | 8.262 | 8.084 | 8.242 | 9.248 |
| Trade deficit | -3.771 | -3.463 | -3.834 | -3.501 | -3.439 | -3.611 |
| Import Coverage | 51,52 | 55,24 | 53,59 | 56,70 | 58,286 | 60,95 |

Main export partners (%, 2017)

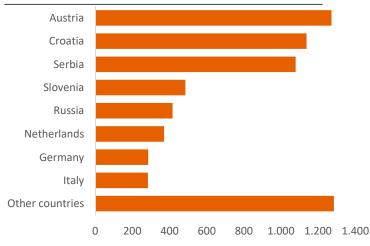


Main import partners (%, 2017)



Investment relationship

Investments inflow by the country of origin (1994-2016, EURm)



Major B-H Exports Products (2017)

| | EURm | % of total |
|------------------------------|------|------------|
| Basic metals | 569 | 10,10 |
| Fabricated metals | 534 | 9,48 |
| Furniture | 532 | 9,43 |
| Food products | 437 | 7,75 |
| Leather and related products | 389 | 6,90 |

Credit rating

B / stable outlook Standard & Poors *March 9,2018* **B3 / stable outlook** Moody's *February 16, 2018*

