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Benin is a LDC with a strong agricultural potential. Its main exports are cotton, cashews, shea butter, textiles, palm products, seafood and increasingly pineapple for which ITC participated in increasing south-south cooperation with Maghreb countries (Morocco and Tunisia). Under the JITAP Programme ITC has also helped the country to develop two (2) export strategies on cashew nut and cassava and has also assisted Benin in the ACCESS programme under PACT2. The country is currently undertaking a one of a kind tier 2 project under the Enhanced Integrated Framework which would involve three UN agencies (ITC, UNIDO, UNCTAD) aimed at enhancing the country's production and trade capacities.

In terms of regional integration, Benin is a member of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU) and the Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD). Benin plays an important role in sub-regional trade thanks in particular to the Port of Cotonou which makes Benin a transit country for the transport of goods to and from Niger, Burkina Faso, Mali, Chad and Nigeria.
# 2. People and Economy

## 2.1 People

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Metric</th>
<th>Details</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total population (growth rates per annum)</strong></td>
<td>8,973,293 in 2012 with growth rates of 2.9% p.a during 2008-2012</td>
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<td><strong>Population density (people per sq. km of land area)</strong></td>
<td>80 in 2012</td>
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<td><strong>Female population</strong></td>
<td>50.3% in 2012</td>
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<td><strong>Population below 15 years of age</strong></td>
<td>43.0% in 2008 ; 43.9% in 2012</td>
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<td><strong>Urban population</strong></td>
<td>43.0% in 2012</td>
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<td><strong>Population living below $1.25 a day at purchasing power parity (PPP)</strong></td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<td><strong>Ranking in the Human Development Index (HDI)</strong></td>
<td>166 out of 186 in 2012</td>
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### Evolution of the Human Development Index (HDI)

- **Benin**
- **Ghana**
- **Niger**
- **Nigeria**
- **Togo**
- **Burkina Faso**
- **ITC regional group average**
- **Neighbours’ average**
- **World average**

![Graph showing the evolution of the Human Development Index (HDI) over the years 2008 to 2012](image)

**Source:** United Nations Development Programme Human Development Indicators

**Note:** The Human Development Index measures the overall development of a nation and ranges from 0 (low level of development) to 1 (highest level of development). The United Nations Development Programme ([http://hdr.undp.org](http://hdr.undp.org)) provides a detailed explanation. ITC Regional group refers to ITC definition.

### Health
- Life expectancy at birth (years) (59); Mortality rate, under-5 (per thousand live births) (89.5) in 2012

### Education
- Education index - expected and mean years of schooling (rank) (171 out of 191) in 2012

### Income level
- GNI per capita in PPP terms (constant 2005 international $) ( ) in 2012

### Inequality
- Inequality-adjusted HDI (rank) (118 out of 191) in 2012

### Poverty
- Multidimensional Poverty Index (rank) (12 out of 191) in 2012

### Gender
- Gender inequality index (rank) (14 out of 191) in 2012

### Sustainability
- Adjusted net savings (% of GNI) (n.a) in 2012
2.2 Economy

### Added value per sector (current US$ and % of GDP)

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<td>Agriculture</td>
<td>1,307</td>
<td>2,140</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<td>Industry</td>
<td>540</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Manufacturing</td>
<td>317</td>
<td>476</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Services</td>
<td>2,204</td>
<td>3,659</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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Source: World Bank World Development Indicators (WDI)

Note: Added value is US$ terms are expressed in million, GDP US$, and "6,976 to be read 6'976".

### Evolution of GDP (constant 2005 US$)

Source: World Bank World Development Indicators (WDI)

Note: ITC calculations based on the World Bank WDI

### Evolution of GDP per capita (constant 2005 US$)

Source: World Bank World Development Indicators (WDI)

Note: ITC calculations based on the World Bank WDI
### Aid Dependency
(Official Development Assistance/Gross National Income)

Source: World Bank World Development Indicators (WDI)

Note: ITC calculations based on the World Bank WDI. Regional group refers to ITC definition

### Remittances as a Share of GDP

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<td>Remittance ($ millions)</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>207</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<td>Remittance (% GDP)</td>
<td>155.6</td>
<td>312.1</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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Note: ITC calculations based on World Bank WDI, IMF BOP statistics, and "6,976 to be read 6'976"
3. Trade Performance

3.1 General Trade Performance

3.1.1 Evolution of Trade Ratio to GDP - Goods

3.1.2 Evolution of Trade Ratio to GDP - Services
3.1.3 Evolution of Total Trade

![Graph showing the evolution of total import and export of goods of Benin from 2009 to 2013.]

3.1.4 Trade Map

![Map showing the list of importing markets for a product exported by Benin in 2013. The map highlights Benin's exports to various countries, with different colors representing the share in Benin's exports.]

ITC by country - Benin
3.1.5 Export and Import by Leading Destination - Export

![Prospects for market diversification for a product exported by Benin in 2013](image)

3.1.6 Export and Import by Leading Destination - Import
3.1.7 Evolution of Exports and Imports by Destination - Export

3.1.8 Evolution of Exports and Imports by Destination - Import
3.1.9 Total Export Growth

Source: ITC, calculations based on ITC's Trade Competitiveness Map data.
Note: Graph shows decomposition of the country's export growth in value terms by diversification pattern over the indicated period.

3.1.10 Marginal Export Growth

Source: ITC, calculations based on ITC's Trade Competitiveness Map data.
Note: Graph shows decomposition of the country’s export growth in value by structural driving effects over the indicated period. Values are in US$ thousands.
3.1.11 Composition of Trade in Services - Export

3.1.12 Composition of Trade in Services - Import
3.1.13 Evolution of FDI

Evolution of FDI inflow in Benin as % of GDP

Source: ITC based on World Bank IADI.
### 3.2 Sector Trade Performance

#### 3.2.1 Sectoral Diversification in Products - Export

**Sectoral diversification in products for Benin’s exports**

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<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Average share of sector in country’s exports 2009 2013</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fresh food</td>
<td>57.2% 81.5% 92.6%</td>
<td>52110 Cotton, not carded or combed</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Basic manufactures</td>
<td>11.6% 88.5% 56.6%</td>
<td>7246101 Parks &amp; ins, linos, tr.hd or he, crg, indent, rbs etc. prod of tot. res</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Processed food</td>
<td>10.6% 64.5% 49.5%</td>
<td>170110 Raw sugar, cane</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minerals</td>
<td>6.7% 87.3% 86.5%</td>
<td>2718101 Other petroleum oils and preparations</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-electronic machinery</td>
<td>2.6% 31.7% 32.6%</td>
<td>8431401 Parts of cranes, work-trucks, shovels, and other construction machinery</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Textiles</td>
<td>2.6% 80.4% 96.2%</td>
<td>5208121 Plain woven cotton fabric, &gt;=89% &gt;100 g/m² or 200 g/m² unbonded</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transport equipment</td>
<td>2.6% 65.2% 36.8%</td>
<td>4909201 Floating or submersible diking or production platforms</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Wood products</td>
<td>2.1% 80.0% 36.4%</td>
<td>4402091 Logs, non-coniferous wood</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unclassified products</td>
<td>1.7% 100.0%</td>
<td>7308121 Gold in unrefined form non-monetary</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chemicals</td>
<td>1.1% 53.3% 33.3%</td>
<td>3191211 Tubes, pipes and hoses, rigid of polyethylene</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous manufacturing</td>
<td>0.4% 42.0% 48.0%</td>
<td>8932101 Carbons, bottles, flasks and similar articles of plastic</td>
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<tr>
<td>Electronic components</td>
<td>0.1% 57.2% 82.2%</td>
<td>8418201 Refrigerators, household type, res</td>
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<tr>
<td>IT &amp; consumables electronics</td>
<td>0.0% 41.9% 78.1%</td>
<td>5202101 Parts suitable for solely/restrict in the app of headings 6 to 85.29</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leather products</td>
<td>0.0% 140.0% 80.2%</td>
<td>4101101 Skins of sheep or lambs, in the wet state incl. wet-blue tanned, etc.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clothing</td>
<td>0.0% 72.6% 85.4%</td>
<td>4202101 Mens/boys shirts, or other textile materials, not knitted</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Source: World Trade Competitiveness Report 2007*

**Note:** HS codes refer to the revision 2007.

### 3.2.2 Sectoral Diversification in Products - Import

**Sectoral diversification in products for Benin’s imports**

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<tr>
<td>Fresh food</td>
<td>22.6% 74.2% 70.6%</td>
<td>5905201 Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled, whether or not polished</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minerals</td>
<td>16.7% 93.8% 93.7%</td>
<td>2718101 Other petroleum oils and preparations</td>
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<tr>
<td>Transport equipment</td>
<td>14.8% 65.7% 88.6%</td>
<td>8001201 Floating or submersible drilling or production platforms</td>
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<tr>
<td>Processed food</td>
<td>11.6% 43.3% 39.7%</td>
<td>5118101 Palm oil and its fractions refined but not chemically modified</td>
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<tr>
<td>Basic manufactures</td>
<td>10.2% 55.7% 37.8%</td>
<td>2522101 Cement clinkers</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Chemicals</td>
<td>7.1% 52.9% 47.8%</td>
<td>3102101 Medicaments, res. in dosage</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-electronic machinery</td>
<td>3.9% 13.5% 46.4%</td>
<td>8426301 Portal or pedestal job cranes</td>
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<td>Textiles</td>
<td>2.7% 67.1% 61.2%</td>
<td>5208121 Plain woven cotton fabric, &gt;89%, &gt;100 g/m² or 200 g/m² printed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unclassified products</td>
<td>2.3% 160.0% 39.5%</td>
<td>3390101 Worn clothing and other worn articles</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous manufacturing</td>
<td>2.0% 18.7% 17.8%</td>
<td>8202201 Racks and bags (including cones) of plastics res</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>IT &amp; consumables electronics</td>
<td>1.6% 57.2% 60.5%</td>
<td>8513091 Apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, tv or other</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clothing</td>
<td>1.2% 64.5% 51.0%</td>
<td>6204101 Mens/boys trousers and shirts, of cotton, not limited</td>
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<tr>
<td>Electronic components</td>
<td>1.1% 29.1% 22.1%</td>
<td>8528001 Electrical app for switch/g protect elec circuits, not exceded V. res</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wood products</td>
<td>1.1% 39.8% 31.4%</td>
<td>4818101 Sacks and bags, of paper, having a base of a width of 4 or more</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leather products</td>
<td>0.5% 55.9% 79.0%</td>
<td>4402091 Footwear, res</td>
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*Source: World Trade Competitiveness Report 2007*

**Note:** HS codes refer to the revision 2007.
### 3.2.3 Sectoral Diversification in Destinations - Export

#### Sectoral diversification in destination for Benin's exports

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Sector's export growth in value (% p.a.) 2009-2013</th>
<th>Share of top 3 importing countries in sector's exports</th>
<th>List of the top 3 importing countries</th>
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<td>Minerals</td>
<td>101.0 %</td>
<td>89.0 % 80.0 %</td>
<td>India ; China ; Togo ; Nigeria ; Togo ; China</td>
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<td>Transport equipment</td>
<td>73.0 %</td>
<td>68.2 % 95.9 %</td>
<td>Niger ; Togo ; Burkina Faso ; Norway ; Niger</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leather products</td>
<td>62.6 %</td>
<td>100.0 % 81.6 %</td>
<td>Gabon ; Togo ; Bangladesh ; Democratic Republic of the Congo ; Côte d’Ivoire ; Ghana</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wood products</td>
<td>38.2 %</td>
<td>82.6 % 95.2 %</td>
<td>India ; China ; Italy ; China ; India ; Italy</td>
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<td>Basic manufactures</td>
<td>16.2 %</td>
<td>95.6 % 94.4 %</td>
<td>Chad ; Nigeria ; Togo ; Chad ; Niger ; Nigeria</td>
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<td>Textiles</td>
<td>7.1 %</td>
<td>91.4 % 90.9 %</td>
<td>Nigeria ; Niger ; Burkin Faso ; Côte d'Ivoire ; Ghana ; Côte d'Ivoire ; Ghana</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chemicals</td>
<td>7.1 %</td>
<td>64.3 % 59.4 %</td>
<td>Nigeria ; Turks and Caicos Islands ; Cameroon ; Togo ; Zambia ; Niger</td>
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<td>Fresh food</td>
<td>6.4 %</td>
<td>78.6 % 60.6 %</td>
<td>Nigeria ; China ; India ; China ; India ; Indonesia</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous manufacturing</td>
<td>4.1 %</td>
<td>44.2 % 41.8 %</td>
<td>France ; Côte d'Ivoire ; Finland ; Burkin Faso ; Togo ; Netherlands</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-electronic machinery</td>
<td>1.5 %</td>
<td>74.9 % 68.8 %</td>
<td>Niger ; Togo ; Nigeria ; Togo ; Ghana ; Japan</td>
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<tr>
<td>Electronic components</td>
<td>6.7 %</td>
<td>60.5 % 82.4 %</td>
<td>France ; Côte d'Ivoire ; Togo ; Togo ; Ghana ; Sri Lanka</td>
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<td>Processed food</td>
<td>-4.1 %</td>
<td>77.5 % 60.4 %</td>
<td>Nigeria ; Côte d'Ivoire ; Portugal ; Nigeria ; Netherlands ; France</td>
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<tr>
<td>Clothing</td>
<td>-12.4 %</td>
<td>77.9 % 50.0 %</td>
<td>Niger ; France ; Germany ; France ; Zambia ; Belg</td>
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<td>IT &amp; consumable electronics</td>
<td>-22.3 %</td>
<td>81.1 % 78.1 %</td>
<td>Netherlands ; Finland ; Cameroon ; Nigeria ; Hungary ; France</td>
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**Source:** ITC Trade Competitiveness Map.

### 3.2.4 Sectoral Diversification in Destinations - Import

#### Sectoral diversification in origin for Benin's imports

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<th>Sector</th>
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<td>Transport equipment</td>
<td>77.3 %</td>
<td>58.6 % 93.4 %</td>
<td>China ; France ; United States of America ; China ; Belgium</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fresh food</td>
<td>33.4 %</td>
<td>44.7 % 62.5 %</td>
<td>France ; Thailand ; Brazil ; France ; Thailand ; France</td>
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<td>Non-electronic machinery</td>
<td>27.4 %</td>
<td>57.9 % 68.7 %</td>
<td>France ; Belgium ; China ; France ; United States of America ; China</td>
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<td>Leather products</td>
<td>17.5 %</td>
<td>92.8 % 90.0 %</td>
<td>China ; Togo ; France ; China ; Togo ; France</td>
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<td>Electronic components</td>
<td>15.2 %</td>
<td>70.2 % 62.2 %</td>
<td>France ; China ; Côte d'Ivoire ; France ; China ; United States of America</td>
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<td>Minerals</td>
<td>12.3 %</td>
<td>59.4 % 67.5 %</td>
<td>Togo ; Netherlands ; Nigeria ; Togo ; Nigeria ; United States of America</td>
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<td>Basic manufactures</td>
<td>12.2 %</td>
<td>35.0 % 40.6 %</td>
<td>Belgium ; Germany ; Norway ; China ; Togo ; United States of America</td>
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<tr>
<td>Processed food</td>
<td>11.0 %</td>
<td>55.4 % 46.8 %</td>
<td>Malaysia ; China ; France ; Malaysia ; France ; Togo</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wood products</td>
<td>8.0 %</td>
<td>41.7 % 35.8 %</td>
<td>China ; Sweden ; France ; China ; Singapore ; Morocco</td>
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<tr>
<td>IT &amp; consumable electronics</td>
<td>5.7 %</td>
<td>77.3 % 72.7 %</td>
<td>Sweden ; France ; Hong Kong ; Sweden ; France ; Belgium</td>
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3.2.5 Sectors by World Demand - Export

3.2.6 Sectors by World Demand - Import
3.2.7 Trade Performance Index

Trade Performance Index of Benin

- Fresh food (US$333 m.): 129, 153
- Basic manufactures (US$77 m.): 55, 114
- Processed food (US$58 m.): 78, 106
- Minerals (US$49 m.): 45, 145
- Transport equipment (US$41 m.): 54, 132
- Wood products (US$18 m.): 25, 96
- Non-electronic machinery (US$15 m.): 49, 113
- Textiles (US$14 m.): 59, 97
- Chemicals (US$6 m.): 59, 108
- Miscellaneous manufacturing (US$2 m.):

Source: ITC Trade Competitiveness Map

Note: The figures depicted on the bars correspond to the country's global ranking among other countries that export the same category of products. The current index and change in market share index are the world country ranking for the sector under review. Only sectors with more than 1 US dollar export are considered.
## 4. Trade Strategy and Policy

### 4.1 Trade and Development Strategies

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<th>Strategy name</th>
<th>Sector</th>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>ECOWAS Mango Export Strategy</td>
<td>Mango</td>
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<td>The Mango Export Strategy for the Economic Community of Western African States</td>
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<td>The Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (PRSP) provides a strategic assessment of</td>
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<td>poverty</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>UEMOA Cotton and Textile Strategy</td>
<td>Cotton, Garment Industry, Textile Industry</td>
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<td>The strategy aims to increase exports and productivity of the cotton sector...</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>UNDAF Benin 2009-2013</td>
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<td>The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) outlines three main</td>
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<td>areas of...</td>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>Orientations Stratégiques de Développement du Benin</td>
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<tr>
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<td>The document outlines strategic orientations for policy in Benin. Firstly, it provides...</td>
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<td>2005</td>
<td>Diagnostic Trade Integration Study - Benin</td>
<td>Cotton, Shrimp Farming, Fisheries, Agro-Processing Industry, Tourism, Cashew, Shea, Pineapple</td>
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<td>The Diagnostic Trade Integration Study (DTIS) provides an analysis of Benin's recent...</td>
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4.3 Trade Facilitation

**Logistics Performance Index (LPI): Country Comparison**

Source: World Bank, Logistics Performance Index (LPI)

**Logistics Performance Index – Evolution**

Source: World Bank, Logistics Performance Index (LPI)
4.4 Business and Regulatory Environment

The Business Environment: Doing Business

Multilateral Trade Instruments

Abstract

The Trade Treaties Map tool is a web-based system on multilateral trade treaties and instruments designed to assist trade support institutions (TSIs) and policymakers in optimizing their country’s legal framework on international trade.

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<td>In Development level:</td>
<td>Least developed country</td>
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Graph

Presents a visual illustration breaking down a country’s ratification level according to various categories and compares it to the world average.

Instruments ratified

Click here for a full list and more details about these multi-lateral trade instruments.
### 4.5 Infrastructure

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<td>Quality of overall infrastructure How would you assess general infrastructure (e.g., transport, telephony, and energy) in your country? [1 = extremely underdeveloped—among the worst in the world; 7 = extensive and efficient—among the best in the world]</td>
<td>2.59</td>
<td>126</td>
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<td>Quality of roads How would you assess roads in your country? (1 = extremely underdeveloped; 7 = extensive and efficient by international standards)</td>
<td>2.76</td>
<td>112</td>
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<td>Quality of railroad infrastructure How would you assess the railroad system in your country? (1 = extremely underdeveloped; 7 = extensive and efficient by international standards)</td>
<td>1.37</td>
<td>105</td>
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<td>Quality of port infrastructure How would you assess port facilities in your country? (1 = extremely underdeveloped; 7 = well-developed and efficient by international standards). For landlocked countries, this measures the ease of access to port facilities and inland waterways</td>
<td>3.70</td>
<td>87</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quality of air transport infrastructure How would you assess passenger air transport infrastructure in your country? (1 = extremely underdeveloped; 7 = extensive and efficient by international standards)</td>
<td>3.00</td>
<td>125</td>
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<tr>
<td>Individuals using Internet (%) Internet users are people with access to the worldwide network.</td>
<td>83.65</td>
<td>104</td>
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<td>Mobile telephone subscriptions/100 pop According to the World Bank, mobile cellular telephone subscriptions are subscriptions to a public mobile telephone service using cellular technology, which provides access to switched telephone technology. Postpaid and prepaid subscriptions are included. This can also include analogue and digital cellular systems but should not include non-cellular systems. Subscribers to fixed wireless, public mobile data services, or radio paging services are not included.</td>
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<td>Fixed broadband Internet subscriptions/100 pop: The International Telecommunication Union considers broadband to be any dedicated connection to the Internet of 256 kilobits per second or faster, in both directions. Broadband subscribers refers to the sum of DSL, cable modem and other broadband (for example, fiber optic, fixed wireless, apartment LANs, satellite connections) subscribers.</td>
<td>0.05</td>
<td>125</td>
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5. ITC and the Country/Territory

5.1 ITC Projects

5.1.1 Current projects

Coordination of African Regional Cotton Sector Strategies Implementation

5.1.2 Recent projects

Banker Forum (fr)

Expansion du commerce intra et inter-regional entre les Etats Members de la CEMAC, de l'UEMOA et les Trois Francophones Mekong (fr)

IA81 - PACT2 - Design of ECOWAS-TEN network of trade experts

Strengthening the pineapple export value chain in selected West African countries

ECOWAS Regional trade information networks

PACT 2 - ECOWAS Regional Private Sector Apex Bodies for Public-Private Dialogue

PACT 2 - ECOWAS Networks of National and Regional TSIs

PACT 2 - ECOWAS Sector Strategy

PACT 2 - ECOWAS Market Analysis and Sector Prioritization

PACT 2 - ECOWAS Improved Technical Capacities and RBM Operations

ACCESS II for African Business Women in International Trade

ITC Africa network of enterprise level trainers and advisers

Strengthening the pineapple export value chain in selected West African countries(2)

Trade leaders of Africa - training in market analysis and research

Strengthening the pineapple export value chain in selected West African countries

ACP - Cotton sector strategy implementation

ACP - Agri-food & agri-business sector strategy implementation

Expansion du commerce intra et inter-regional pour les pays francophones du Mekong

Renforcement des capacites des institutions d'appui au commerce et des entreprises

Benin - Promotion du tourisme communautaire
5.2 Events

5.2.1 Upcoming events

Lancement de l’enquête MNT au Bénin (fr) 10/12/2014 - Cotonou

5.2.2 Recent events

PACIR - Foire de l’indépendance du Bénin (fr) 17/07/2014 - Cotonou

Followup mission on 2013 activities and prepare a PIRM for ABEPEC, Cotonou, Benin. 24/04/2014 - Cotonou

Formation GAR - Bénin (fr) 01/07/2013 - Porto-Novo / Cotonou
## 5.3 ITC Contacts

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6. Trade Information Sources and Contacts

6.1 Trade Information Sources

This section provides a list of country specific print and online publications on trade-related topics, including both ITC and external sources.

6.1.1 ITC publications

Expansion du commerce intra- et inter-régional entre les pays membres de la CEMAC et de l’UEMOA: Rapport de l’atelier de lancement

Buyers/Sellers Meeting on Food, Agricultural product, Water and Sanitation, Shelter, Personnel Protection and Household Items

Read more
Réseau d'information commerciale et de gestion d'opportunités d'Affaires - Mission d'évaluation et de présentation du projet dans les différents points focaux de l'UEMOA

Bénin: Evaluation de l'état des connaissances et de l'utilisation des nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication (NTIC) liées au commerce

Bénin: Etude de l'offre et de la demande sur le bois et ses produits dérivés

Etude de l'offre et de la demande sur le bois et ses produits dérivés au Bénin - la première partie de l'étude est consacrée à l'analyse des branches d'activité concernées...
Analyse statistique des flux des échanges commerciaux intra- et inter-régionaux de la CEMAC et de l'UEMOA - Livres scolaires, produits de l'édition et de la diffusion (résumé)

Rencontre acheteurs/vendeurs sur les produits alimentaires et agricoles, l'eau et l'assainissement, l'hébergement, les articles de protection personnelle et de ménage

Rencontre acheteurs/vendeurs sur le bois et ses produits dérivés
Clefs de l'exportation: manuel pour les PME exportatrices. - Bénin

Manuel adapté aux besoins des entreprises exportatrices du Bénin, qui répond aux questions les plus fréquemment posées sur le processus d'exportation dans les domaines les plus divers tels qu'études de...

Comment approcher les banques: un guide pour les exportateurs du Bénin

Guide à l'intention des entreprises nationales au Bénin - traite de l'estimation des besoins financiers, des méthodes de paiement et des facilités de crédit pour les transactions commerciales; passe en...

Bénin: Etude de l'offre et de la demande sur les textiles et l'habillement

Etude de l'offre et la demande de textiles et d'habillement au Bénin - dans la première partie consacrée à l'offre, l'étude fournit une description des produits couverts ; examine la...
Sénégal: Rencontre acheteurs/vendeurs sur les livres scolaires, l'édition et la diffusion

Winning National Strategies for Export Development. - Benin

Paper presented at ITC World Export Development Forum : 'Bringing down the Barriers - Charting a Dynamic Export Development Agenda', Montreux, Switzerland, 8-11 October, 2007 - presents the major strategic...

Bénin: Etude de l'offre et de la demande sur les livres scolaires, l'édition et la diffusion

Etude de l'offre et de la demande sur les livres scolaires, l’édition et la diffusion au Bénin - donne une description des produits concernés et examine l’offre de...
Expansion du commerce intra- et inter-régional entre les pays membres de la CEMAC et de l'UEMOA: Rapport de l'atelier de lancement

Stratégie révisée de mise en œuvre de l'agenda pour la compétitivité de la filière coton-textile dans l'UEMOA 2011-2020

Bénin: Etude de l'offre sur les produits alimentaires, produits agricoles, l'eau et l'assainissement, l'hébergement et les articles de protection personnelle et de ménage
Bénin: Étude de l’offre et de la demande sur les produits alimentaires

Étude de l’offre et de la demande sur les produits alimentaires au Bénin - examine la politique commerciale du Bénin et passe en revue les caractéristiques de l’offre et de...

Analyse statistique des flux des échanges commerciaux intra- et inter-régionaux de la CEMAC et de l’UEMOA

Bénin: Analyse statistique des flux des échanges commerciaux intra- et inter-régionaux de la CEMAC et de l’UEMOA: Livres scolaires, produits de l’édition et de la diffusion
Benin : Enterprises and the Importance of Quality


Read more

Etude de la demande sur le riz au Bénin

Etude de la demande sur le riz au Bénin - analyse le secteur de l'importation du riz dans le pays: passe en revue la taille du marché et ses caractéristiques,...

Read more

Benin : The Trade-Related Technical Assistance : Strengths and Weakness

Paper contributed by Benin National Team, presented at ITC Executive Forum : 'Business for Development : Implications for Export Strategy-Makers', Cancún, Mexico, 6-9 September, 2003 - focuses on the...

Read more
Ce guide s'adresse aux administrateurs des coopératives à vocation commerciale et constitue un outil de base pour une bonne gestion pratique de leurs structures. La gestion des coopératives est abordée...

6.1.2 Selected printed information sources

- 2011 Feasibility Study for a Cotton Spinning Mill in 11 [Eleven] Sub-Saharan African Countries
- 2007 SPS Capacity in Liberia
- 2006 SPS Capacity in Guinea
- 2009 Rapport annuel / Banque centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest
- 2006 - Kyamalesa H; Houngnikpo M C Economic Integration and Development in Africa
- 2003 Etude d'identification et de promotion d'unités industrielles régionales dans la filière coton de l'UEMOA: Rapport final
- 2001 Recueil des textes officiels de l'UEMOA relatifs aux finances publiques des pays de la zone
- 2003 Etude visant l'élimination ou l'atténuation des effets des distorsions subies par les pays de l'UEMOA sur le marché international du coton fibre causées par les subventions pratiquées par les pays développés producteurs de coton, notamment les Etats-Unis d'Amérique et les pays de l'Union Européenne
- 2010 Economic Diversification in Africa : A Review of Selected Countries
- 2010 Analysis of the Benin Cashew Sector Value Chain
- 2006 West African Financial Flows and Opportunities for People and Small Businesses
- 2007 Cashew Marketing and Consumption in West Africa : Current Status and Opportunities
- 2010 Trade Policy Review : Benin, Burkina Faso, and Mali
- 2006 Cotton in West Africa : The Economic and Social Stakes
- 2005 Examen de la politique de l'investissement : Bénin
- 2004 Organic Cotton in Benin: Benin Organic Cotton Project
- 2008 - D'Alessandro S Evaluation sous-régionale de la chaîne de valeurs oignon/échalote en Afrique de l'Ouest
- 2006 Manuel qualité pour les filières cotonnières UEMOA
- 2006 - Sy, Amadou N R Financial Integration in the West African Economic and Monetary Union
- 1986 Traité instituant la Communauté économique de l'Afrique de l'Ouest et protocoles annexes. - Mis à jour
- 2006 EPA Negotiations, West Africa : Executive Brief
- 2006 - Alaba, Olumuyiwa B EU-ECOWAS EPA : Regional Integration, Trade Facilitation and Development in West Africa
- 2006 SPS Capacity in Sierra Leone
- 2008 Perfil de la Industria Paraguaya de Software
- 2009 Characteristics of Malaysia’s Animal Feed Market
- 2014 Perspectives on Global Development 2014: Boosting Productivity to Meet the Middle-Income Challenge
- 2010 Mobilizing Aid for Trade for SPS-Related Technical Cooperation in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region
- 2010 Leather Garments in the EU
- 2006 Overview of the Current State of Organic Agriculture in Kenya, Uganda and the Republic of Tanzania and the Opportunities for Regional Harmonization
- 2007 Export Diversification and Value Addition for Human Development : Addressing the Impact of the Agreement on Textiles
and Clothing Expiration on Cambodia

- 2006 - Ruffing, Lorraine Deepening Development Through Business Linkages
- 2012 OECD Economic Surveys: Chile
- 2005 - Magder, D Egypt after the Multi-Fiber Arrangement: Global Apparel and Textile Supply Chains as a Route for Industrial Upgrading
- 2006 Bangladesh: Furniture Export Market Sector Brief
- 2006 - Boutou, Olivier Management de la sécurité des aliments : De l'HACCP à l'ISO 22000
- 2006 Trading up : Economic Perspectives on Development Issues in the Multilateral Trading System
- 2004 Perfiles de mercado para productos bolivianos en los mercados de Argentina, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, México, Paraguay, Perú, Uruguay y Venezuela
- 2010 Vietnam: Oilseeds and Products
- 2007 Organic Farming in the Czech Republic: 2007 Yearbook
- 2007 - Gibbon P; Bolwig S Economics of Certified of Organic Farming in Tropical Africa: A Preliminary Assessment
- 2006 The Relationship of Third-party Certification (TPC) to Sanitary / Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures and the International Agri-Food Trade; Case Study: Guatemala- with Emphasis on Food Safety
- 2007 - Ismail F Mainstreaming Development in the WTO : Developing Countries in the Doha Round
- 2009 Market Report. Focus on the Nordic Market - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
- 2001 - Karlöf, Bengt Benchlearning : Good Examples as a Lever for Development
- 2003 - Martin W; Pangestu M, eds. Options for Global Trade Reform : A View from the Asia-Pacific
- 2010 L'industrie sri lankaise du textile-habillement
- 2000 - Hauber, Christiane Formation, Prevention & Determination of Cr (VI) in Leather
- 2013 Economic and Business Review for Central and South-Eastern Europe
- 2006 - Gebreselassie Fanta, Elias Does Value Addition at Oilseed Production and/or Spreading the Gain from Export of Oilseed Products Increase the Income of Primary Producers?
- 2010 - Pannier J Recueil de jurisprudence douanière (1990-2010)
- 2002 - Beswick R; Dunn DJ Plastics in Packaging : A RAPRA Market Report
- 2006 Doubling Aid : Making the Big Push Work
- 2006 Determining 'likeness' under the GATS : Squaring the Circle?
- 2014 Africa Investor
- 2007 Libéralisation des échanges de services et développement du tourisme
- 2007 Offre de Emballage en Afrique de l'ouest
- 2008 An Overview of the Mobile Phone Banking Industry
- 2007 Sixth World Congress on Seafood Safety, Quality and Trade
- 2007 - Wood, Aileen A Comprehensive Library Staff Training Program in the Information Age
- 2005 - [s.n] The Science of Shrinkage Control : An Interactive Guide to Improved Shrinkage Performances
- 2011 Libéralisation du transport aérien en Afrique
- 2012 - Wollenberg E; , eds. Climate Change Mitigation and Agriculture
- 2009 - Novogratz J The Blue Sweater: Bridging the Gap Between Rich and Poor in an Interconnected World
- 2011 - Cadot O Impact Evaluation of Trade Interventions : Paving the Way
- 2011 - Banerjee A V; Dufllo E Poor Economics : A Radical Rethinking of the Way to Fight Global Poverty
- 2014 Edible Nuts in Turkey
- 2011 Perfil de Frutas Tropicales Frescas y Procesadas en Chile
- 2011 Germany: Product Brief Fresh Fruits
- 2010 - Reilly D, Reilly A, Lewis J Towards an Australian Date Industry: An overview of the Australian domestic and international date industries
- 2011 Feasibility Study for a Cotton Spinning Mill in 11 [Eleven] Sub-Saharan African Countries
- 2011 Foro Público de la OMC

6.1.3 Selected online information sources

ITC by country - Benin
• Portail du gouvernement du Bénin
• Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) = Communauté économique des États de l’Afrique de l'Ouest (CEDEAO)
• Organisation africaine de la propriété intellectuelle = African Intellectual Property Organization
• APE - CEDEAO
• ESOKO
• Chambre de commerce et industrie du Bénin (CCIB)
• OHADA
• ECOWAS Press Releases
• Chambre de commerce et d’industrie du Bénin (CCIB)
• Agence béninoise de promotion des échanges commerciaux (ABEPEC)
• Investir en Zone Franc
• OHADA LEGIS
• Réseau des Systèmes d’Information des Marchés en Afrique de l'Ouest
• Statistiques sur le commerce extérieur du Bénin
• Chambre nationale d'agriculture du Bénin
• Opening Doors to New Markets
• Organisation InterAfricaine du Café (OIAC) = InterAfrican Coffee Organization (IACO)
• West African Monetary Institute = Institut monétaire de l'Afrique de l'Ouest
• Anacardium : Le portail de cajou au Benin
• Organisation béninoise pour la promotion de l'agriculture biologique
• Bénin. Association de développement des exportations
• Bénin. Centre de promotion et d’encadrement des petites et moyennes entreprises
### 6.2 Trade Contacts

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