

# Iran, Islamic Rep. of

## BASIC INDICATORS

Population (thousands, 2008)	71 956	<b>Rank in world trade, 2008</b>	<u>Exports</u>	<u>Imports</u>
GDP (million current US\$, 2008)	385 143	Merchandise	35	48
GDP (million current PPP US\$, 2008)	839 438	excluding intra-EU trade	23	30
Current account balance (million US\$, 2000)	12 481	Commercial services	59	40
Trade per capita (US\$, 2006-2008)	2 413	excluding intra-EU trade	37	24
Trade to GDP ratio (2006-2008)	57.5			
			<i>Annual percentage change</i>	
	<u>2008</u>		<u>2000-2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Real GDP (2000=100)	158		6	8
Exports of goods and services (volume, 2000=100)	136		4	3
Imports of goods and services (volume, 2000=100)	250		12	5
				<u>2008</u>

## TRADE POLICY

<b>WTO accession date</b>	Observer	<b>Contribution to WTO budget</b>	-
<b>Policy Review date</b>	-	<b>Import duties collected</b> (% , 2006-2008)	
<b>Tariffs and duty free imports</b>		in total tax revenue	21.1
Tariff binding coverage (%)	-	to total imports	6.9
	<u>Applied</u>	<b>Number of notifications to WTO and measures in force</b>	
MFN tariffs	<u>Final bound</u>	Outstanding notifications in WTO Central Registry	-
Simple average of import duties		Goods RTAs - services EIAs notified to WTO	2 - 0
All goods	- 26.0	Anti-dumping	-
Agricultural goods (AOA)	- 28.9	Countervailing duties	-
Non-agricultural goods	- 25.6	Safeguards	-
Non <i>ad-valorem</i> duties (% total tariff lines)	- 0.0	<b>Number of disputes</b> (complainant - defendant)	
MFN duty free imports (% , 2006)		Requests for consultation	-
in agricultural goods (AOA)	0.0	Original panel / Appellate Body (AB) reports	-
in non-agricultural goods	0.0	Compliance panel / AB reports (Article 21.5 DSU)	-
<b>Services sectors with GATS commitments</b>	-	Arbitration awards (Article 22.6 DSU)	-

## MERCHANDISE TRADE

	<i>Value</i>		<i>Annual percentage change</i>	
	<u>2008</u>		<u>2000-2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Merchandise exports, f.o.b. (million US\$)	113 668		19	15
Merchandise imports, c.i.f. (million US\$)	57 411		19	10
				<u>2008</u>
<b>Share in world total exports</b>	0.71	<b>Share in world total imports</b>		0.35
<b>Breakdown in economy's total exports</b>		<b>Breakdown in economy's total imports</b>		
By main commodity group (ITS)		By main commodity group (ITS)		
Agricultural products	3.2	Agricultural products		13.7
Fuels and mining products	84.2	Fuels and mining products		9.7
Manufactures	9.9	Manufactures		70.5
By main destination		By main origin		
1. Japan	23.9	1. European Union (27)		9.0
2. Taipei, Chinese	22.5	2. China		6.0
3. European Union (27)	19.8	3. India		3.7
4. United Arab Emirates	2.9	4. Japan		2.6
5. Iraq	2.9	5. Malaysia		0.8
Unspecified destinations	0.3	Unspecified origins		74.8

**COMMERCIAL SERVICES TRADE**

	<i>Value</i>	<i>Annual percentage change</i>		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2000-2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Commercial services <i>exports</i> (million US\$) b	7 285	...	22	7
Commercial services <i>imports</i> (million US\$) b	17 076	...	29	16
	<u>2008</u>			<u>2008</u>
<b>Share in world total exports</b>	0.19			<b>Share in world total imports</b>
				0.48
<b>Breakdown in economy's total exports</b>				<b>Breakdown in economy's total imports</b>
By principal services item				By principal services item
Transportation	48.0			Transportation
Travel	26.2			Travel
Other commercial services	25.8			Other commercial services
				24.0
				50.9
				25.2

**INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY****Patent grants by patent office, 2001**

<u>Residents</u>	<u>Non-residents</u>	<u>Total</u>
529	...	529

**Trademark registrations by office, 2008**

<u>Direct residents</u>	<u>Direct non-residents</u>	<u>Madrid</u>	<u>Total</u>
...	...	3 241	3 241

a Breakdowns by destination/origin refer to 2006.

b Break in series for commercial services: 2004.