

Country Snapshot

The Economic Department

Netherlands

General Information

Capital:	Amsterdam	Global Competitiveness Index Ranking (Out of 140):	6
Population (m):	17	Corruption Perceptions Index Ranking: (Out of 180):	8
Local Currency:	European euro	Ease of Doing Business Ranking (Out of 190):	36
Exchange Rate (LCU:US\$) :	0.9	Economic Freedom Ranking (Out of 180):	17
Head of State:	King – Willem-Alexander	Enabling Trade Ranking (Out of 136):	2
	Prime Minister – Mark Rutte		

Recent Economic Indicators	2016	2017	2018	2019
Real GDP Growth (% change YOY)	2.2	2.9	2.8	2.6
GDP (Bn\$) (market prices)	784	832	910	933
GDP per capita (\$) (PPP)	51,783	53,933	56,571	59,105
Export of Goods (Bn\$)	466	522	575	603
Import of Goods (Bn\$)	393	442	492	525
Unemployment Rate (% yearly)	6.0	4.9	3.9	3.8
Inflation (Av)	0.7	1.2	1.5	1.7

Principal Export Destinations

Germany 24.2%, Belgium 10.7%, UK 8.8%, France 8.8%, Italy 4.2%

Principal Import Destinations

China 16.4%, Germany 15.3%, Belgium 8.5%, US 6.9%, UK 5.1%, Russia 4.3%

Principal Export Commodities

machinery and transport equipment, chemicals, mineral fuels; food and livestock, manufactured goods

Principal Import Commodities

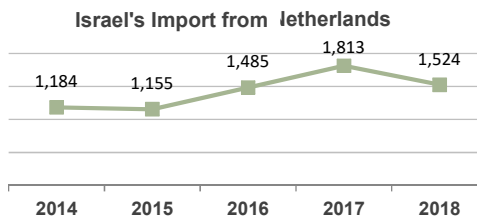
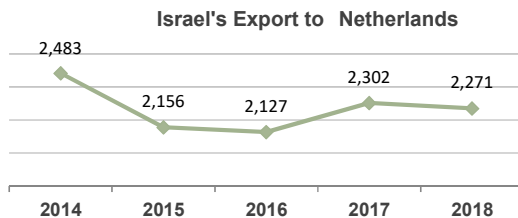
machinery and transport equipment, chemicals, fuels, foodstuffs, clothing

The most problematic factors for exporting to Netherlands *

- 1 Tariffs and non-tariff barriers
- 2 Burdensome import procedures
- 3 Domestic technical requirements and standards
- 4 High cost or delays caused by international transportation
- 5 High cost or delays caused by domestic transportation

Israel's Goods Trade Relations with Netherlands **

	M\$	% Change
Export	2,271	-1%
Import	1,524	-16%
Total trade (export + import)	3,795	
Trade Balance (export - import)	747	



The Main Sectors of Goods Trade between Israel and Netherlands **

Sector	Export			Sector	Import		
	M\$	% Share	% Change		M\$	% Share	% Change
Machinery, Mechanic equipment	509	22%	0%	Machinery, Mechanic equipment	413	27%	-41%
Pharmaceutics	265	12%	-31%	Machinery, Electrical equipment	179	12%	11%
Optic Machinery	213	9%	6%	Plastics	127	8%	16%
Inorganic Chemicals	163	7%	-7%	Vehicles	109	7%	-23%
Machinery, Electrical equipment	156	7%	-2%	Optic Machinery	105	7%	33%

* World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

** Excluding Diamonds

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