

# Country Snapshot

The Economic Department



## Tunisia

### General Information

Capital:	Tunis	Global Competitiveness Index Ranking (Out of 140):	87
Population (m):	12	Corruption Perceptions Index Ranking: (Out of 180):	74
Local Currency:	Tunisian dinar	Ease of Doing Business Ranking (Out of 190):	80
Exchange Rate (LCU:US\$) :	2.4	Economic Freedom Ranking (Out of 180):	99
Head of State:	President – Beji Caid Essebsi	Enabling Trade Ranking (Out of 136):	91
	Head of Government – Youssef Chahed		

### Recent Economic Indicators

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Real GDP Growth (% change YOY)	1.1	2.0	2.4	2.9
GDP (Bn\$) (market prices)	42	40	42	42
GDP per capita (\$) (PPP)	11,619	11,936	12,370	12,863
Export of Goods (Bn\$)	14	14	15	16
Import of Goods (Bn\$)	18	20	21	22
Unemployment Rate (% yearly)	16	16	15	15
Inflation (Av)	4	6	9	7

### Principal Export Destinations

France 32.1%, Italy 17.3%, Germany 12.4%

### Principal Import Destinations

Italy 15.8%, France 15.1%, China 9.2%, Germany 8.1%, Turkey 4.8%, Algeria 4.7%, Spain 4.5%

### Principal Export Commodities

clothing, semi-finished goods and textiles, agricultural products, mechanical goods, phosphates and chemicals, hydrocarbons, electrical equipment

### Principal Import Commodities

textiles, machinery and equipment, hydrocarbons, chemicals, foodstuffs

### The most problematic factors for exporting to Tunisia \*

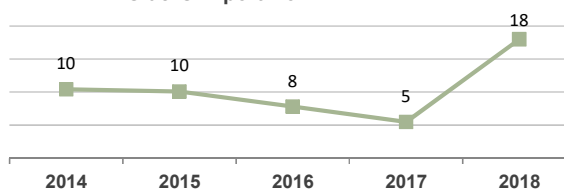
- 1 Burdensome import procedures
- 2 Tariffs and non-tariff barriers
- 3 High cost or delays caused by international transportation
- 4 Corruption at the border
- 5 Domestic technical requirements and standards

### Israel's Goods Trade Relations with Tunisia \*\*

	M\$	% Change
Export	-	
Import	18	228%

#### No export to Tunisia

#### Israel's Import from Tunisia



### The Main Sectors of Goods Trade between Israel and Tunisia \*\*

#### No export to Tunisia

Sector	Import		
	M\$	% Share	% Change
Apparel, Not Knit	8	43%	255%
Machinery, Electrical equipment	4	24%	516%
Animal Or Vegetable Fats	2	12%	0%
Apparel, Knit Or Crochet	2	8%	43%
Footwear	1	6%	123%

\* World Economic Forum, Executive Opinion Survey

\*\* Excluding Diamonds

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