



## Mauritius

## Fact Sheet 2013

<b>Capital:</b>	Port Louis	<b>Head of State:</b>	President Mr. Rajikeswur Kailash Purryag
<b>Surface area:</b>	2,040 square kilometers	<b>Head of Government:</b>	Prime Minister Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam
<b>Official language:</b>	English		
<b>Population:</b>	1.3 million (2012 est.)		
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	1USD = 30.9499 Mauritian Rupees 1 Mauritian Rupee = 1.02213 Thai Baht (August 2013)		

Recent economic indicators	<i>Estimated Forecast</i>					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012(a)	2013(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	9.6	8.8	9.7	11.2	11.5	12.1
GDP per capita (US\$):	7,598	6,914	7,562	8,725	8,850	9,307
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	5.5	3.0	4.1	3.8	3.3	3.7
Current account balance (US\$m):	-971	-654	-1,003	-1,422	-1,149	-1,189
Current account balance (% GDP):	-10.1	-7.4	-10.3	-12.6	-10.0	-9.8
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	51.1	47.3	51.1	52.8	n/a	n/a
Inflation (% change yoy):	9.7	2.5	2.9	6.5	3.9	5.7

### Mauritius' global trade relationships (2012)

Export Destinations		Import Sources		Major Export (US\$m)		Major Import (US\$m)	
1. United Kingdom	18.8%	1. India	22.5%	Articles of apparel	492.3	Mineral fuels, oils	1,213.4
2. France	16.0%	2. China	16.1%	Meat, fish and seafood	344.7	Boilers, machinery	479.8
3. USA	10.1%	3. France	8.3%	Sugars and sugar confectionery	320.1	Electrical equipment	373.1
4. South Africa	9.8%	4. South Africa	6.5%	Pearls, precious stones, metals, coins	273.7	Vehicles	363.6
5. Spain	7.9%	5. Spain	3.3%	Fish	140.6	Aircrafts	314.4
29. Thailand	0.3%	13. Thailand	2.0%				

### Thailand's trade with Mauritius (2012)

	Value (US\$m)	Share (%)	Rank
Total trade (exports + imports)	97.67	0.02	106 <sup>th</sup>
Export to Mauritius	89.14	0.04	99 <sup>th</sup>
Import from Mauritius	8.52	n/a	123 <sup>rd</sup>
Trade surplus with Mauritius	80.62		
Major Thailand Exports to Mauritius (US\$m)		Major Thailand imports form Mauritius (US\$m)	
Sugar	9.2	Fresh, frozen, and preserved marine products	3.3
Polymers of ethylene, propylene, etc.	13.0	Clothing and textiles	1.3
Motor cars, parts and accessories	5.2	Pulp and paper scraps	1.2
Iron, steel, and metal products	4.9	Other metal ores, metal waste scrap, and products	1.6
Papers and paper products	3.8	Iron, steel, and metal products	0.3

**Note:** (a) All recent data subject to revision; (b) IMF forecast

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**Source:**

Exchange Rate: <http://www.xe.com/>

Recent economic indicators: <http://www.dfat.gov.au/>

Mauritius' global trade relationships: <http://www.trademap.org/>

Thailand's trade with Mauritius: <http://www.moc.go.th>