



Bahrain

Fact Sheet

Capital:	Manama	Head of State: H.M. King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa			
Surface area:	712 sq km	Head of Government: H.R.H. Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa			
Official language:	Arabic and English	Minister of Industry and Commerce: H.E. Zayed bin Rashid Al Zayani			
Population:	1.42 million (2016)	Minister of Foreign Affairs: H.E. Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed Al-Khalifa			
Exchange rate:	1 USD = 0.376000 Bahraini Dinar (BHD), 1 Thai Baht = 0.0120423 Bahraini Dinar (12 March 2018)				
Recent economic indicators	2014^(a)	2015^(a)	2016^(b)	2017^(b)	2018^(c)
GDP (US\$m) (current prices)	33,388	31,126	32,174 ^(a)	33,215	35,429
GDP per capita (US\$)	25,400	22,710	22,600	22,870	23,780
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	4.4	2.9	3.2 ^(a)	3.5	2.5
Current account balance (US\$m)	1,123.7	-752.1	-1,492.8 ^(a)	-1,303.2	-364.3
Current account balance (% GDP)	3.4	-2.4	-4.6 ^(a)	-3.9	-1.0
Goods & services exports (% GDP)	96.1	82.4	73.9	79.6	75.8
Inflation (% change yoy)	2.5	0.7	2.3 ^(a)	1.4	2.5
Bahrain's global merchandise trade relationships (2016)					
Principal export destinations		Principal import sources		Major Bahrain Exports (US\$m)	Major Bahrain Imports (US\$m)
1. Saudi Arabia	18.1 %	1. China	9.7 %	1. Mineral fuels, oils, distillation products	1. Mineral fuels, oils, distillation products
2. UAE	17.3 %	2. USA	8.6 %	2. Aluminium and articles thereof	2. Vehicles other than railway, tramway
3. USA	11.0 %	3. UAE	7.4 %	3. Ores, slag and ash	3. Machinery, nuclear reactors, boilers
4. Japan	8.7 %	4. Japan	6.1 %	4. Machinery, nuclear reactors, boilers	4. Electrical, electronic equipment
5. Qatar	4.7 %	5. Saudi Arabia	5.5 %	5. Iron and steel	5. Ships, boats and floating structures
10. Thailand	2.4 %	16. Thailand	1.5 %	Total	Total
				12,892.35	14,748.54
Thailand's trade with Bahrain (2017)					
	Value (US\$m)	Share (%)	Rank (world)	Rank (middle east)	
Total trade (exports + imports)	289.57	0.06	66 th	10 th	
Export to Bahrain	155.91	0.07	71 st	11 th	
Import from Bahrain	133.66	0.06	60 th	10 th	
Trade balance with Bahrain	22.25				
Major Thai goods export to Bahrain (US\$m)			Major Thai goods import from Bahrain (US\$m)		
Motor cars, parts and accessories	37.8	Other metal ores, metal waste scrap, and products	49.1		
Precious stones and jewelry	31.3	Finished oils	27.0		
Iron and steel and their products	11.5	Iron, steel and products	23.3		
Compressors of a kind used in refrigerating equipment	9.9	Chemicals	14.2		
Machinery and parts thereof	5.5	Fresh aquatic animals, chilled, frozen,	11.8		

Note: (a) Actual. (b) Economist Intelligence Unit estimates. (c) Economist Intelligence Unit forecasts.

Source:

Exchange Rate: The world's currency (<http://www.xe.com>)

Recent economic indicators: The Economist Intelligence Unit (<http://www.viewswire.com>)

Bahrain's global trade relationship: International Trade Center (<http://www.trademap.org>)

Thailand trade with Bahrain: Ministry of Commerce of Thailand (<http://www.moc.go.th>)