

## Introduction

Comoros is an archipelago island nation in the Indian Ocean located off the eastern coast of Africa. Surrounding countries include Mozambique, Madagascar, and Seychelles. The Comoros are volcanic islands with steep mountains and low hills. The government system is a republic, the chief of state and head of government is the president. Comoros has a mixed economic system with a heavy reliance on agriculture, combined with relatively weak centralized economic planning and government regulation. Comoros is a member of the League of Arab States (Arab League) and the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA).



**Location:** Eastern Africa

**Capital City:** Moroni (+3 GMT)

**Chief of State:** President Azali Assoumani

**Head of Govt.:** President Azali Assoumani

**Currency:** Comoros Franc (KMF)

**Major Languages:** <p>Arabic (official), French (official), Shikomoro (a blend of Swahili and Arabic) (Comorian)</p>

**Primary Religions:** <p>Sunni Muslim 98%, other (including Shia Muslim, Roman Catholic, Jehovah's Witness, Protestant) 2%</p>

**Calling Code:** 269

**Voltage:** 220

## Key Websites

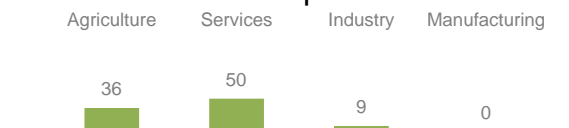
Main Government Page: [beit-salam.km](http://beit-salam.km)

Investment Promotion Agency: [investcomoros.net](http://investcomoros.net)

## Key Economic Facts

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| Income Level (by per capita GNI):                                    | Low Income              |
| Level of Development:  | Developing              |
| GDP, PPP (current international \$):                                 | \$3.21 billion (2022)   |
| GDP growth (annual %):   | 2.39% (2022)            |
| GDP per capita, PPP (current international \$):                      | \$3,832.47 (2022)       |
| External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US\$):                     | \$336,671,453.80 (2021) |
| Manufacturing, value added (% of GDP):                               | 7.50% (2015)            |
| Current account balance (BoP, current US\$):                         | \$0.01 billion (2021)   |
| Inflation, consumer prices (annual %):                               | -8.12% (2015)           |
| Labor force, total:  | 228,983 (2022)          |
| Unemployment, total (% of total labor force) (modeled ILO estimate): | 8.81% (2022)            |
| Imports of goods and services (current US\$):                        | \$0.44 billion (2022)   |
| Exports of goods and services (current US\$):                        | \$0.16 billion (2022)   |

## GDP Composition %



*\*Although Manufacturing is included in the Industry figures, it is also separately reported because it plays a critical role in economy.*

## Rankings

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| International Logistics Performance Index (LPI) | 107 / 160 |
| KOF Index of Globalization                      | 182 / 185 |
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