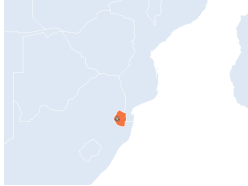


## Introduction

Eswatini, formerly known as Swaziland, is a landlocked country located in Southern Africa. It is bordered to the north, west, and south by South Africa and to the east by Mozambique. Eswatini has a varied geography from mountains along the Mozambique border to savannas and rainforests. The government system is a monarchy; the chief of state is the king, and the head of government is the prime minister. Eswatini has a traditional economy in which a majority of the population engages in subsistence agriculture. Eswatini is a member of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) and the Southern African Development Community (SADC).



**Location:** Southern Africa

**Capital City:** Mbabane (+2 GMT)

**Chief of State:** King Mswati III

**Head of Govt.:** Prime Minister Barnabas Sibusiso Dlamini

**Currency:** Swazi Lilangeni (SZL)

**Major Languages:** <p>English (official, government business conducted in English), siSwati (official)</p>

**Primary Religions:** <p>Zionist 40% (a blend of Christianity and indigenous ancestral worship), Roman Catholic 20%, other 30% (includes Anglican, Methodist, Mormon, Jehovah's Witness), Muslim 2%, other 8% (includes Baha'i, Buddhist, Hindu, indigenous, Jewish)</p>

**Calling Code:** 268

**Voltage:** 230

## Key Websites

Main Government Page: [gov.sz](http://gov.sz)

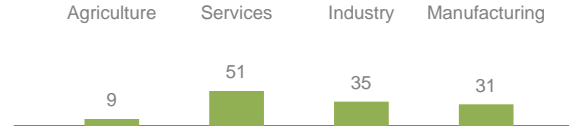
Commerce Ministry: [gov.sz](http://gov.sz)

Investment Promotion Agency: [sipa.org.sz](http://sipa.org.sz)

## Key Economic Facts

Income Level (by per capita GNI):	Lower Middle Income
Level of Development:	Data Unavailable
GDP, PPP (current international \$):	\$11.62 billion (2017)
GDP growth (annual %):	2.00% (2017)
GDP per capita, PPP (current international \$):	\$8,496.27 (2017)
External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US\$):	\$650,997,823.50 (2017)
Manufacturing, value added (% of GDP):	31.42% (2016)
Current account balance (BoP, current US\$):	\$0.64 billion (2016)
Inflation, consumer prices (annual %):	6.22% (2017)
Labor force, total:	466,259 (2017)
Unemployment, total (% of total labor force) (modeled ILO estimate):	26.40% (2017)
Imports of goods and services (current US\$):	\$1.96 billion (2016)
Exports of goods and services (current US\$):	\$1.84 billion (2016)

## GDP Composition %



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

## Rankings

Index	Rank
Corruption Perceptions Index	85 / 178
KOF Index of Globalization	126 / 185
Networked Readiness Index (NRI)	129 / 139
Open Budget Index	103 / 115

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