COUNTRY PROFILE: LESOTHO

Population
2.2 Millions

GDP
2 632 Millions current US$

Merchandise trade
3 140 Millions current US$

Internet users
0.7 Millions

GDP growth
-1.6 %

Land area
30 360 km²

Source: UNCTAD and ITU (complete URL addresses in the General Notes)

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E-COMMERCE ASSESSMENT - 2016-18

Rank in UNCTAD B2C E-commerce Index
126/151

Rank in ITU ICT Development Index
133/176

Rank in WEF Networked Readiness Index
115/139

Source: UNCTAD, ITU and WEF (complete URL address in the General Notes)

Note: 1 = Best

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ICT INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES - 2017

Fixed broadband Internet tariffs, PPP $/month
Highest tariff: 277.8
Lowest tariff: 6.8
LESOTHO, 31.9

Source: ITU (complete URL address in the General Notes)

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PAYMENTS - 2014-17

Debit card used in the past year
LESOTHO, 10.1
AFRICA, 7.9
WORLD, 30.6

Credit card used in the past year
LESOTHO, #N/A
AFRICA, 10.3
WORLD, 27.7

Mobile phone or the internet used to access a financial institution account in the past year
LESOTHO, 9.1
AFRICA, 7.0
WORLD, 21.6

Per 100 inhabitants

Source: World Bank (complete URL address in the General Notes)
COUNTRY PROFILE: LESOTHO

TRADE LOGISTICS - 2013-18

- Percent of population having mail delivered at home
  - LESOTHO: 5.0
  - WORLD: 82.9

- Postal reliability index (0 to 100, 100 = Best)
  - LESOTHO: 4.4
  - WORLD: 58.2

- Days to clear direct exports through customs
  - LESOTHO: 4
  - WORLD: 7.2

Source: UPU and World Bank (complete URL addresses in the General Notes)

LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS - 2019

- Electronic Transactions:
  Draft legislation

- Consumer Protection:
  Draft legislation

- Privacy and data protection:
  Legislation

- Cybercrime:
  Draft legislation

Source: UNCTAD


SKILLS DEVELOPMENT - 2013-17

- Percentage of firms using e-mail to interact with clients/suppliers

Source: World Bank (complete URL address in the General Notes)

FINANCING FOR eCommerce - 2013-17

- Percentage of firms identifying access to finance as a major constraint

Source: World Bank (complete URL address in the General Notes)
COUNTRY PROFILE: GENERAL NOTES

NOTES:
- For merchandise trade - sum of exports and imports.

- Country groups are weighted using population for most indicators with the exception of those on skills development, financing for e-commerce and days to clear direct exports through customs. Regional average values relate to developing economies in those regions.

SYMBOLS FOR MISSING VALUES:
0: Zero means nil or negligible
#N/A: Not available or not publishable

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