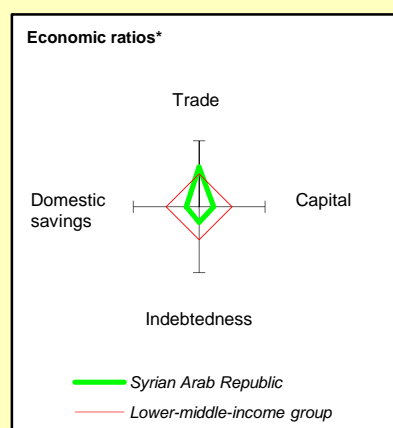
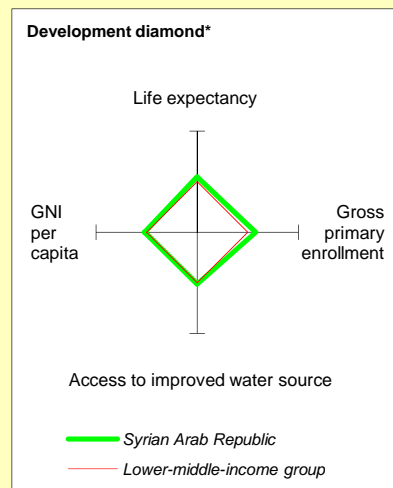


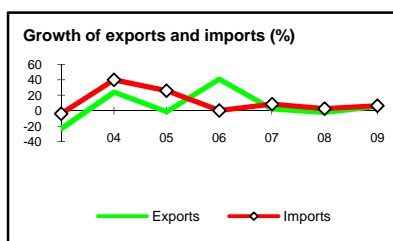
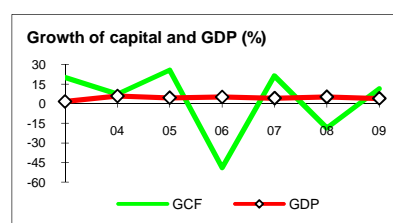
# Syrian Arab Republic at a glance

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	Syrian Arab Republic	M. East & North Africa	Lower-middle-income		
<b>POVERTY and SOCIAL</b>					
<b>2009</b>					
Population, mid-year (millions)	21.1	331	3,811		
GNI per capita (Atlas method, US\$)	2,410	3,597	2,316		
GNI (Atlas method, US\$ billions)	50.9	1,190	8,825		
<b>Average annual growth, 2003-09</b>					
Population (%)	2.7	1.8	1.2		
Labor force (%)	4.3	2.7	1.5		
<b>Most recent estimate (latest year available, 2003-09)</b>					
Poverty (% of population below national poverty line)	..	..	..		
Urban population (% of total population)	55	58	41		
Life expectancy at birth (years)	74	71	68		
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	14	27	43		
Child malnutrition (% of children under 5)	10	12	25		
Access to an improved water source (% of population)	89	87	87		
Literacy (% of population age 15+)	84	74	80		
Gross primary enrollment (% of school-age population)	124	105	107		
Male	127	106	109		
Female	122	104	105		
<b>KEY ECONOMIC RATIOS and LONG-TERM TRENDS</b>					
	<b>1989</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	
GDP (US\$ billions)	9.9	15.9	54.5	52.2	
Gross capital formation/GDP	17.1	18.8	13.8	16.3	
Exports of goods and services/GDP	24.8	32.3	31.7	33.9	
Gross domestic savings/GDP	12.2	19.1	13.6	14.5	
Gross national savings/GDP	..	18.3	12.5	13.9	
Current account balance/GDP	10.1	-0.6	0.0	-1.1	
Interest payments/GDP	1.1	1.6	0.3	0.3	
Total debt/GDP	178.7	144.2	9.8	10.0	
Total debt service/exports	19.0	7.1	3.5	3.1	
Present value of debt/GDP	..	..	..	8.5	
Present value of debt/exports	..	..	..	21.3	
	<b>1989-99</b>	<b>1999-09</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2009-13</b>
(average annual growth)					
GDP	6.0	4.3	5.2	4.0	..
GDP per capita	3.2	1.5	2.7	1.5	..
Exports of goods and services	12.9	6.1	-2.4	5.6	4.7



	1989	1999	2008	2009
<b>STRUCTURE of the ECONOMY</b>				
<i>(% of GDP)</i>				
Agriculture	24.8	25.2	20.0	21.0
Industry	25.2	33.6	35.0	33.7
Manufacturing	..	..	12.8	13.4
Services	50.0	41.2	45.0	45.3
Household final consumption expenditure	71.8	70.3	74.6	72.0
General gov't final consumption expenditure	16.0	10.6	11.9	13.5
Imports of goods and services	29.6	32.0	32.0	35.7
<i>(average annual growth)</i>				
Agriculture	7.1	4.4	6.0	6.0
Industry	10.2	2.2	-2.3	-2.3
Manufacturing	..	14.5	5.0	5.0
Services	1.3	7.6	3.6	4.5
Household final consumption expenditure	3.9	6.5	9.0	3.6
General gov't final consumption expenditure	1.6	8.6	27.1	2.9
Gross capital formation	5.1	0.8	-18.6	11.6
Imports of goods and services	4.4	10.5	2.5	6.4



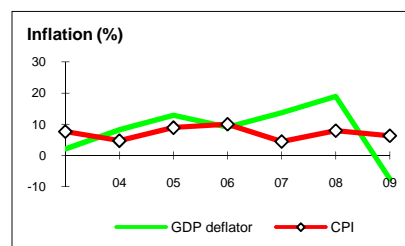
Note: 2009 data are preliminary estimates.

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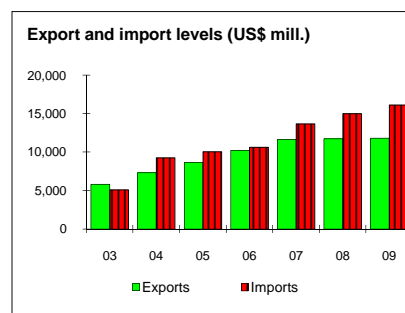
\* The diamonds show four key indicators in the country (in bold) compared with its income-group average. If data are missing, the diamond will be incomplete.

**PRICES and GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

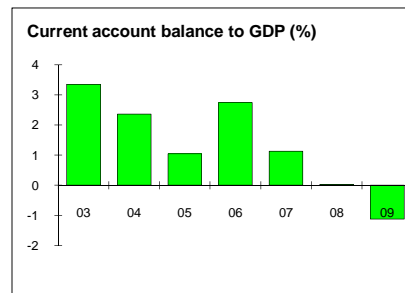
	1989	1999	2008	2009
<b>Domestic prices</b>				
(% change)				
Consumer prices	11.4	-2.1	8.0	6.3
Implicit GDP deflator	23.3	7.4	19.0	-7.6
<b>Government finance</b>				
(% of GDP, includes current grants)				
Current revenue	..	26.5	29.2	31.0
Current budget balance	8.2	12.3	2.4	2.6
Overall surplus/deficit	-0.2	1.4	-5.1	-6.5


**TRADE**

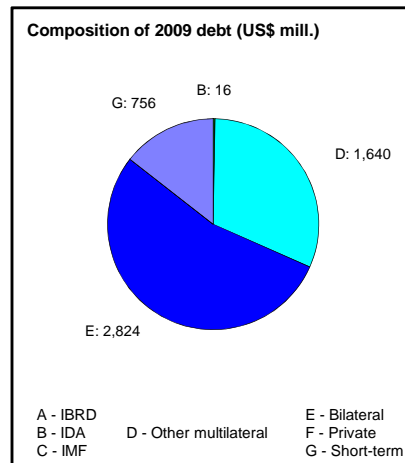
	1989	1999	2008	2009
(US\$ millions)				
Total exports (fob)	2,990	3,806	11,713	11,817
Agricultural products	1,182	2,342	1,019	1,108
Oil and petroleum products	..	2,342	4,432	4,526
Manufactures	1,182	148	2,978	3,225
Total imports (cif)	1,669	3,555	15,008	16,121
Food	..	644	898	966
Fuel and energy	165	91	4,842	5,183
Capital goods	..	1,747	2,659	2,897
Export price index (2000=100)	38	81	173	166
Import price index (2000=100)	25	97	154	156
Terms of trade (2000=100)	156	84	112	107


**BALANCE of PAYMENTS**

	1989	1999	2008	2009
(US\$ millions)				
Exports of goods and services	3,906	5,421	17,881	18,351
Imports of goods and services	2,613	5,366	18,012	19,343
Resource balance	1,293	55	-131	-993
Net income	-293	-643	-413	-552
Net current transfers	0	489	559	957
Current account balance	1,000	-99	15	-588
Financing items (net)	72	1,072	1,320	1,585
Changes in net reserves	-1,072	-972	-1,335	-997
<b>Memo:</b>				
Reserves including gold (US\$ millions)	..	..	5,516	6,512
Conversion rate (DEC, local/US\$)	21.2	51.6	46.5	46.7


**EXTERNAL DEBT and RESOURCE FLOWS**

	1989	1999	2008	2009
(US\$ millions)				
Total debt outstanding and disbursed	17,608	22,885	5,318	5,236
IBRD	434	41	0	0
IDA	45	31	18	16
Total debt service	828	446	707	643
IBRD	0	51	0	0
IDA	0	2	2	2
Composition of net resource flows				
Official grants	25	57	214	..
Official creditors	660	-41	-279	-218
Private creditors	23	-16	0	0
Foreign direct investment (net inflows)	30	263	1,467	1,434
Portfolio equity (net inflows)	0	0	0	0
World Bank program				
Commitments	0	0	0	0
Disbursements	0	0	0	0
Principal repayments	0	23	1	1
Net flows	0	-23	-1	-1
Interest payments	0	31	0	0
Net transfers	0	-53	-2	-2



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