

8. TOURISM

	(Number)		
Tourist Arrivals by Region	2020	2021	2022
All Regions	29,812	1	20,897
America	1,445	1	2,877
East Asia & Pacific	2,783	0	3,644
South Asia	23,592	0	11,193
Europe	1,942	0	3,120
Africa	25	0	19
Middle East	25	0	44
Tourist Arrivals by Season	29,812	1	20,897
Winter	25,714	0	6,130
Spring	4,041	0	0
Summer	21	1	0
Autumn	36	0	14,767
Revenue Earning (USD in Million)	9.490	0.0014	...

Note: Tourist arrivals by region includes only the International Tourist

Source: Department of Tourism, MoICE and Dept. of Immigration, MoHA

9. AGRICULTURE

	(Number)		
Centres	2020	2021	2022
Agriculture Research and Development Centres	8	8	8
Agriculture Extension Centres	209	205	202
Agriculture Regional Seed Centres	4	4	4
Agriculture Seed Production Farms	4	4	8
National Veterinary Hospital	1	1	1
Dzongkhag Veterinary Hospitals	20	20	20
National Dairy Development Centre (NDDC)	1	1	1
Regional Veterinary Hospital and Epidemiology Centre	3	3	3
Government Livestock Farms (for breeding/production)	16	16	16

Source: Planning and Policy Division, MoAL

10. PUBLIC FINANCE

	(Nu. in Million)		
Revenue	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Domestic Revenue	36,218.876	35,855.450	39,043.073
Tax	22,792.988	20,661.770	25,843.052
Non-tax	13,425.887	15,193.680	13,200.021
Grants	16,425.750	14,882.290	13,583.509
Total Expenditure	68,548.619	71,091.811	69,156.613

Source: Annual Financial Statement (AFS), Department of Treasury and Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Thimphu.

11. INDUSTRIES

	(Number)		
Ownership/ Size/ Sector	As of June 2021	As of June 2022	As of June 2023
Ownership	22,267	27,290	31,399
Sole Proprietorship	21,207	26,161	30,187
Partnership	278	300	350
Company	722	765	765
Others	60	64	97
Size	22,267	27,290	31,399
Large Scale	343	387	421
Medium Scale	703	787	801
Small Scale	5358	17,480	20,157
Cottage Scale	15863	8,636	10,020
Sector	22,267	27,290	31,399
Production & Manufacturing	2,766	3,375	3,685
Contracts	17,371	2,387	2,293
Services	2,130	21,528	25,421
Trade	21843	26,880	24,090
Entertainment

Note: Entertainment data is clubbed with the Services from 2021 onwards.

Source: Dept. of Industry, Dept. of Trade (MoENR), Thimphu.

12. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Trade	2020	2021	2022
Export (Nu. in Million)	20,732.24	33,555.48	34,396.00
Import (Nu. in Million)	66,456.12	90,229.00	118,792.00
Balance of Trade (Nu. in Million)	-45,723.88	-56,673.51	-84,397.00
Money Reserves (US \$)	1,343.50	1,332.39	832.94
Exchange Rate (Nu. Per US\$)			
Calender Year	74.15	73.94	78.60
Fiscal Year	72.47	73.72	75.38

Source: Dept. of Revenue Customs (MoF), Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan, Thimphu.

13. NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Indicators	2020	2021	2022
GDP at Current Market Price	182,107.42	204,664.41	227,813.72
Gross National Income (GNI)	171,521.95	193,088.14	215,978.96
Agriculture, Livestock & Forestry Share to GDP (%)	15.70	15.79	14.67
GDP Real Growth (%)	-10.22	4.42	5.21
GDP Per Capita (In Nu.)	243,156.47	270,673.94	301,289.48
Final Consumption Expenditure	139,546.20	153,081.55	178,988.77

Source: National Accounts Statistics, NSB, Thimphu.

14. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES

Consumer Price Index	2020	2021	2022
Annual Average Inflation Rate (%)	5.63	7.35	5.65
Purchasing Power of Ngultrum (PPN)	68.38	63.7	60.31
2012 = Nu. 100			

Source: CPI Report, Economic and Environment Statistics Division, NSB



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Bhutan at a Glance
2023

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1. GENERAL

Area (sq. km)	38,394
Currency	Ngultrum
National Language	Dzongkha
Administrative Units (Nos.)	
Dzongkhags	20
Dungkhags	15
Gewogs	205

2. DEMOGRAPHY

	(Number)		
Projected Population by Sex	2021	2022	2023
Male	394,323	397,731	401,092
Female	361,806	365,518	369,184
Total	756,129	763,249	770,276
Projected Population by Age Group			
0 - 14	181,044	179,313	177,902
15 - 64	525,998	533,221	540,066
65+	49,087	50,715	52,308
All ages	756,129	763,249	770,276
Other Indicators			
Overall Sex Ratio	109	108.8	108.6
Population Density (<i>person per sq. km</i>)	19.7	19.9	20.1
Median Age of Population (<i>years</i>)	28.9	29.4	29.9
Ageing Index (<i>elderly per 100 children</i>)	27.1	28.3	27.1
Total Dependency Ratio	43.8	43.1	42.6
Child Dependency Ratio	34.4	33.6	32.9
Old Age Dependency Ratio	9.3	9.5	9.9

Source: Population Projections Bhutan, 2017 - 2047, NSB.

3. HEALTH

	(Number)		
Infrastructure	2020	2021	2022
Hospitals	58	58	60
Primary Health Center ¹	182	179	186
Indigenous Dispensaries	76		78
Doctors	406	354	288
Sisters & Nurses	1,523	1,622	1521
Doctors per 10,000 Persons	4.6	4.6	4.6
Persons per Hospital Bed	456	446	446
Health Coverage (%)	90	NA	NA
Access to Safe Drinking Water (%)	...	99	NA
Births Attended by Trained Personnel (%)	99.3	98.2	98.6

Source: Annual Health Bulletin 2022, MoH, Thimphu.

Note: ¹ Previously known as BHUs, it also includes Thromde Health Center (previously known as Satellite Clinics).

4. EDUCATION

	(Number)		
Schools/Students/Teachers	2021	2022	2023
Total Schools	406	529	524
Primary Schools	320	302	323
Lower Secondary Schools	59	59	38
Middle Secondary Schools	65	62	57
Higher Secondary Schools	89	71	79
Private Schools	36	35	27
Central Schools ¹	64	64	N.A
Autonomous Schools ¹	69	69	N.A
Institutes	24	24	33
Tertiary Institutes	18	18	26
Technical/Vocational Institutes	6	6	7
Others	1,281	1,097	1,238
Day Care Centers & ECCD	492	491	525
Extended Classroom	70	64	45
School with SEN Programme & Special Institutes	29	32	2
Continuing Education Centers	1	1	1
Monastic Education (Lobdra, Shedra etc.)	184	79	202
Non-Formal Centers	505	430	463
ENROLMENT			
Schools	166,517	161,073	13,966
Boys	81,104	78,330	76,154
Girls	85,413	82,743	80,030
Tertiary and Technical Training Institutes	18,173	14,806	10,901
Boys	9,718	7,773	6,619
Girls	8,455	7,033	7,347
Others	65,897	55,306	28,163
Day Care Centres & ECCD	10,662	10,871	13,012
Extended Classroom	1,676	1,304	1,019
Central Schools 1	39,925	37,717	N.A.
Continuing Education	167	110	97
School with SEN Programme & Special Institutes	748	926	1,025
Monastic Education (Lobdra, Shedra etc.)	7,390	...	7,944
Non Formal Centres	5,329	4,378	5,066
TEACHERS			
Schools	9,880	9,793	10,158
Male	5,707	5,225	5,692
Female	4,173	4,568	4,466
Tertiary and Technical Training Institutes	950	968	936
Male	644	650	610
Female	306	318	326
Others	1,386	975	1872
Day Care Centres & ECCD	910	945	909
Non Formal Centres	476	30	464

Note: ¹ Central Schools and Autonomous School already counted under general Schools.

Source: Education Management Information System, MoESD.

5. LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT

	(Number)		
Labour Force	2020	2021	2022
Total labour force	331,222	489,732	305,983
Male	169,558	238,310	171,456
Female			134,527
Unemployment rate (%)	5.0	4.8	5.9
Rural	2.7	2.8	3.4
Urban	10.1	8.9	10.4
Labour force participation rate (LFPR)	67.8	69.1	63.1
Total civil servants	31,219	31,177	30,194

Source: Labour Force Survey (NSB) & Royal Civil Service Commission, Thimphu.

6. TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

	(Number)		
Transport & Communication	2020	2021	2022
All Roads (km)*	18,264.10	18,264.61	18,127.03
Bridges*	377	381	382
Registered Vehicles*	109,663	114,646	122,865
Drukair Passengers	48,750	22,343	92,722
Bhutan Airlines	13,322	111	10,958
Bhutan Helicopter Services	1,214	1,947	2,238
Active Fixed Line connection	22,987	19,680	19,566
B-Mobile Subscribers	466,796	465,104	471,999
T-Cell Subscribers	278,341	312,904	304,632
Postal Infrastructure	48	48	59

Note: * Data were as of June for the given years.

Source: Department of Surface Transport (MoIT), Bhutan Construction & Transport Authority (MoIT), DrukAir Corporation Ltd., Bhutan Telecom Ltd., Tashi Cell, Bhutan Postal Corporation Ltd.

7. ENERGY

	(Sale of Energy in Million Nu.)		
Electricity	2020	2021	2022
Electricity Generation (MU)	11,370.84	10,822.78	10,771.64
Revenue from Sales of energy (Nu. in million)	4,594.35	5,403.19	8,044.73
Number of Consumer	213,637	222,056	232,465
Sale of Energy from Chhukha Power Plant	5,893.93	5,764.48	2,857.54
Sale of Energy from Tala Power Plant	8,848.02	7,913.35	3,908.58
Sale of Energy from Kurichu Power Plant	659.01	619.3	430.556
Sale of Energy from Dagachu Power Plant	1,666.49	1,678.91	503.905
Sale of Energy from Mangdechhu Power Plant	12,949.10	12,260.02	10,910.86

Source: Department of Energy, MoENR.