

Middle East	138	306	25
Tourist Arrivals by Season	274,097	315,599	29,812
Winter	49,722	61,771	25,714
Spring	88,109	102,230	4,041
Summer	51,706	56,080	21
Autumn	84,560	95,518	36
Revenue Earning (USD in Million)	85.41	88.63	9.49

Note: Tourist arrivals by region includes only the International Tourist.  
Source: Tourism Council of Bhutan (Tashel System) and Dept. of Immigration, Thimphu

## 9. AGRICULTURE

(Number)

Centres	2018	2019	2020
RNR Extension Centres	139	198	198
RNR Research Centres	10	10	10
Agriculture Extension Centres	40	4	3
Agriculture Seed Production Farms	8	8	8
Farm Mechanization Centres	3	3	4
Livestock Extension Centres	12	11	15
National & Dzongkhag Veterinary Hospitals	21	21	21
Regional Livestock Development Centres	4	4	4
Government Livestock Farms	20	14	16

Note: The change in Agriculture Extension Centres attributed mainly due to the merging of the Livestock & Agriculture Centres as RNR Extension Centres.

Source: Planning and Policy Division, MoAF

## 10. INDUSTRIES

(Number)

Ownership/Size/Sector	June 2019	June 2020	June 2021
Ownership	24,595	23,133	22,267
Sole Proprietorship	23,372	22,086	21,207
Partnership	302	295	278
Company	843	685	722
Others	78	67	60
Size	24,595	23,133	22,267
Large Scale	552	373	343
Medium Scale	1,715	719	703
Small Scale	4,475	4,596	5358
Cottage Scale	17,853	17,445	15863
Sector	24,595	23,133	22,267
Production & Manufacturing	3,018	2,845	2,766
Contracts	3,295	2,269	17,371
Services	18,282	18,019	2,130
Trade	14,295	17,059	21843
Entertainment	359	474	...

Note: Entertainment data is clubbed with the Services from 2021 onwards.  
Source: Dept. of Cottage & Small Industry, Dept. of Industry, Dept. of Trade (MoEA), Thimphu

## 11. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(Nu. in Million)

Trade	2018	2019	2020
Export	30,835.215	31,250.000	20,732.244
Import	71,345.200	68,906.000	66,456.122
Balance of Trade	(40,509.985)	(37,656.000)	(45,723.879)
Money Reserves (US \$)	1,111.300	1,064.800	1,343.500

### Exchange Rate (Nu. Per US\$)

Year	2018	2019	2020
Calendar Year	68.403	70.420	74.150
Year	2017/18	2018/19	2020
Fiscal Year	65.092	70.575	72.470

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

## 12. NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

(Nu. in Million)

Indicators	2018	2019	2020
GDP at Current Market Price	167,339.97	178,561.73	171,572.90
Gross National Income (GNI)	152,281.39	162,396.90	160,987.44
Agriculture, Livestock & Forestry Share to GDP (%)	15.99	15.78	19.23
GDP Real Growth (%)	3.06	5.76	(10.08)
GDP Per Capita (In Nu.)	227,867.50	240,755.66	229,090.40
Final Consumption Expenditure	125,443.71	136,371.24	142,258.16

Source: National Accounts Statistics, NSB, Thimphu

## 13. PUBLIC FINANCE

(Nu. in Million)

Revenue	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Domestic Revenue	36,871.372	34,707.670	36,218.876
Tax	27,107.897	27,171.146	22,792.988
Non-tax	9,763.475	7,536.524	13,425.887
Grants	14,847.070	10,516.480	16,425.750
Total Expenditure	56,331.357	44,054.130	57,572.283

Source: Annual Financial Statement (AFS), Department of Public Accounts, Ministry of Finance, Thimphu

## 14. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES

Consumer Price Index	2018	2019	2020
Annual Average Inflation Rate (%)	2.72	2.73	5.63
Purchasing Power of Ngultrum (PPN) 2012 = Nu. 100	74.20	72.23	68.38

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

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Bhutan at a Glance 2021

October 2021

## 1. GENERAL

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

## 2. DEMOGRAPHY

	(Number)		
<b>Projected Population by Sex</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Male	387,402	390,877	394,323
Female	354,270	358,054	361,806
Total	741,672	748,931	756,129
<b>Projected Population by Age Group</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
0 - 14	185,196	183,042	181,044
15 - 64	510,655	518,456	525,998
65+	45,822	47,433	49,087
All ages	741,673	748,931	756,129
<b>Other Indicators</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Overall Sex Ratio	109.4	109.2	109.0
Population Density (person per sq. km)	19.3	19.5	19.7
Median Age of Population (years)	27.9	28.4	28.9
Ageing Index (elderly per 100 children)	24.7	25.9	27.1
Total Dependency Ratio	45.2	44.5	43.8
Child Dependency Ratio	36.3	35.3	34.4
Old Age Dependency Ratio	9.0	9.1	9.3

Source: Population projection of Bhutan, 2018-2047.

## 3. HEALTH

	(Number)		
<b>Infrastructure</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Hospitals	27	55	58
BHUs	209	186	182
Indigenous Dispensaries	65	69	76
Doctors	338	376	406
Sisters & Nurses	1,202	1,364	1,517
Doctors per 10,000 Persons	4.6	5.1	5.4
Persons per Hospital Bed	552	442	456
Health Coverage (%)	90	90	90
Access to Safe Drinking Water (%)	98.6	98.6	...
Births Attended by Trained Personnel (%)	96.4	96.2	99.3

Source: Annual Health Bulletin, MoH, Thimphu.

## 4. EDUCATION

	(Number)		
<b>Schools/Students/Teachers</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Total Schools	684	704	406
Primary Schools	317	319	320
Lower Secondary Schools	64	61	59
Middle Secondary Schools	73	71	65

Higher Secondary Schools	73	82	89
Private Schools	38	38	36
Central Schools	64	64	64
Autonomous Schools	55	69	69
Institutes	25	24	24
Tertiary Institutes	18	18	18
Technical/Vocational Institutes	7	6	6
Others	1,174	1,236	1,281
Day Care Centres & ECCD	379	495	492
Extended Classroom	74	74	70
School with SEN Programme & Special Institutes	23	24	29
Continuing Education Centers	3	3	1
Monastic Education (Lobdra, Shedra etc.)	213	213	184
Non-Formal Centers	482	427	505

### ENROLMENT

Schools	165,081	168,975	166,517
Boys	81,199	82,898	81,104
Girls	83,882	86,077	85,413

### Tertiary/Technical Training

Institutes	19,157	16,782	18,173
Boys	10,530	8,759	9,718
Girls	8,627	8,023	8,455
Others	67,466	61,845	65,897
Day Care Centres & ECCD	8,743	8,026	10,662
Extended Classroom	1,572	1,732	1,676
Central Schools	45,345	41,134	39,925
Continuing Education	346	164	167
School with SEN Programme & Special Institutes	930	870	748
Monastic Education (Lobdra, Shedra etc.)	4,991	4,991	7,390
Non Formal Centres	5,539	4,928	5,329

### TEACHERS

Schools	9,152	10,026	9,880
Male	5,301	5,760	5,707
Female	3,851	4,266	4,173

### Tertiary/Technical Training

Institutes	143	909	950
Male	101	635	644
Female	42	274	306
Others	1,340	1,378	1,386
Day Care Centres & ECCD	820	947	910
Non Formal Centres	520	431	476

Source: Education Management Information System, MoE.

## 5. LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT

	(Number)		
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Total labour force	310,856	319,758	331,222
Male	169,329	169,103	169,558
Female	141,527	150,655	161,664

Unemployment rate (%)	3.4	2.7	5.0
Rural	1.8	1.6	2.7
Urban	7.1	5.3	10.1
Labour force participation rate (LFPR)	62.6	66.4	67.8
Total civil servants	28,618	30,032	31,219

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

## 6. TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

	(Number)		
<b>Transport &amp; Communication</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
All Roads (km)*	18,181.30	18,282.00	18,264.10
Bridges*	361	377	377
Registered Vehicles*	96,307	103,814	109,663
Drukair Passengers	275,849	285,911	48,750
Bhutan Airlines	122,542	139,723	13,322
Bhutan Helicopter Services	1,929	2,999	1,214
Active Fixed Line connection	22,015	21,581	22,987
B-Mobile Subscribers	43,7152	454,212	466,796
T-Cell Subscribers	266,402	275,027	278,341
Postal Infrastructure	92	91	91

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

Source: Dept. of Roads (MoWHS), Road Safety & Transport Authority (MoIC), DrukAir Corporation Ltd., Bhutan Telecom Ltd., Tashi Cell, Bhutan Postal Corporation Ltd.

## 7. ENERGY

	(Number)		
<b>Electricity</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Electricity Generation (MU)	6,959.81	8,645.94	11,370.84
Revenue from Sales of energy (Nu. in million)	7,055.270	5,203.050	4,594.352
Number of Consumer	192,866	202,426	213,637
Sale of Energy from Chhukha Power Plant (Nu. in Million)	4,618.77	5,085.05	5,893.93
Sale of Energy from Tala Power Plant (Nu. in Million)	7,930.59	8,557.76	8,848.02
Sale of Energy from Kurichu Power Plant (Nu. in Million)	631.10	651.40	659.01
Sale of Energy from Dagachu Power Plant (Nu. in Million)	1,210.75	1,360.55	1,666.49
Sale of Energy from Mangdechhu Power Plant (Nu. in Million)	...	5,345.23	12,949.10

Source: Dept. of Hydropower & Power Systems, MoEA

## 8. TOURISM

	(Number)		
<b>Tourist Arrivals by Region</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
All Regions	63,367	315,599	29,812
America	14,109	15,099	1,445
East Asia & Pacific	29,713	33,290	2,783
South Asia	448	245,289	23,592
Europe	18,824	21,308	1,942
Africa	135	307	25