

Niger



Area ('000 km²):	1,186.4
Population (millions), 1997:	9.8
Capital:	Niamey
Official language:	French
Currency:	CFA franc
GNP per capita (\$), 1997:	200
Percentage shares in GDP, 1997:	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	38
Industry (including <i>manufacturing</i>)	18 (6.6)
Services (private and public)	44.1
Gross domestic investment	10.9
Exports of goods and serv. (% of GDP), 1997:	16.2
Main employer (% of labour force), 1997:	
Agriculture	89

Life expectancy (male/female), 1990-95:	45/48
Infant mortality rate, 1997:	
(per 1,000 live births)	191
Daily calorie intake per capita (% of regional minimum requirements), 1997:	116.5
Population with access to safe water (%), urban/rural, 1997:	76/44
Adult literacy rate (%), male/female, 1995:	21/7
Transport, 1996 or latest available:	
Road network density (km/1,000 km ²)	8.0
Railway network density (km/1,000 km ²)	..
Installed electricity capacity, 1995:	
(kW/1,000 inhabitants)	7
Telephone (units per 1,000 inhabitants), 1996:	1.6
Number of tourist arrivals, 1997:	17,000
Total exports of goods and serv. (\$ m), 1997:	301
Main export sector (% of total exports), 1995-97:	
Uranium	50.7
Main markets for exports (% shares), 1997:	
Developed market economy countries	81.8
<i>Main destination:</i> European Union	46.0
Main sources of imports (% shares), 1997:	
Developed market economy countries	39.2
<i>Main origin:</i> European Union	32.1
Foreign direct investment inflows (\$ m), 1997:	-7.1
Total net financial inflows (\$ m), 1997:	312
<i>of which:</i> net ODA (\$ m/%)	341/109.3*
External debt (\$ m), 1997:	1,649
As % of GDP	104
Debt service as % of exports	17

* See explanatory note 5 on page 2