



LESOTHO

Key economic indicators: 2023 (top), 2022 (bottom) and sparkline (2018-2023). Estimates are blue.

Source: IMF WEO

Gross govt debt Real GDP growth Unemployment **Current account** Nominal GDP **Population** (% yoy) (% labour force) balance (% GDP) (% GDP) (USD billions) (people, millions) 2.2 • -0.2 • 61.5 ▼ 2.1 na 2.3 na

Australia - Lesotho investment, 2023 (stocks)

Source: ABS

Investment	Investment in Lesotho Investment from Lesotho		rom Lesotho
Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)	Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)
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Destination Ranking: na		Source Ranking: na	

Australia's goods and services trade with Lesotho, 2023-24

Source: DFAT-adjusted ABS data

Exports	Destination Ranking: 204
Item	A\$k
Other services - details not provided	1,000.0
Plastic articles, nes	17.4
Measuring & analysing instruments	9.6
Crude vegetable matter, nes	5.6
Total	1,032.6

Imports	Source Ranking: 184
Item	A\$k
Crude vegetable matter, nes	1,059.3
Other textile clothing	33.9
Men's clothing, knitted	13.9
Electrical circuits equipment	5.3
Women's clothing, knitted	2.3
Men's clothing (excl knitted)	1.0
Total	1,115.7

Lesotho's global merchandise trade relationships, 2023

Source: Various international sources

Principal export destinations					
Destination	Share	Rank			
South Africa	39.7	% 1			
Belgium	39.4	% 2			
United States	17.6	% 3			
Eswatini	0.8	% 4			
Germany	0.6	% 5			
Australia	0.1	% 13			

South Africa 82.9% 1 China 7.7% 2 Taiwan 2.9% 3 Japan 1.1% 4 Zambia 0.7% 5	Principal import source	es		
China 7.7% 2 Taiwan 2.9% 3 Japan 1.1% 4 Zambia 0.7% 5	Destination		Share	Rank
Taiwan 2.9% 3 Japan 1.1% 4 Zambia 0.7% 5	South Africa		82.9%	1
Japan 1.1% 4 Zambia 0.7% 5	China		7.7%	2
Zambia 0.7% 5	Taiwan		2.9%	3
	Japan		1.1%	4
Australia 0.0% 46	Zambia		0.7%	5
	Australia		0.0%	46

Flow of people from Lesotho

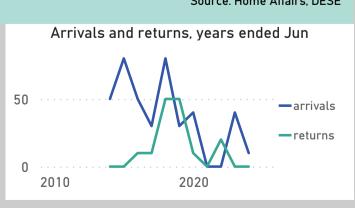
Source: Home Affairs, DESE

Visitor arrivals (movements)
Year ended Jun 2024
10



2023
< 5

0.0%



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