BULGARIA

Capital:	Sofia (1 138 950)
Two largest cities:	Plovdiv (341 464)
	Varna (312 026)
Area (km²):	110 993
Total population:	7 781 161
Population density (per km²):	70
Official languages:	Bulgarian
Date joined UN:	14 December 1955
National currency:	Bulgarian lev (BGN)
National statistical office:	
	National Statistical Institute (NSI)
	http://www.nsi.bg/

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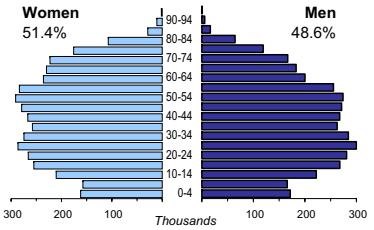
Population by age, 2004



Legal marital status, population aged 18+

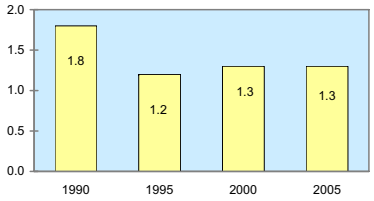
Life expectancy (in years), 2005:	at birth	at 65
Women:	76	16
Men:	69	13

Median age (in years), 2004:	
Women:	42
Men:	39

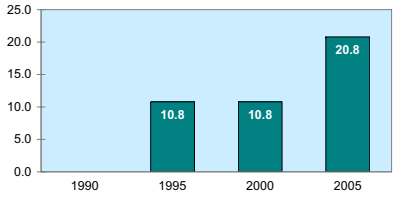
	percentage of total population
Foreign born, 2004:	0.6%
Foreigners in population, 2004:	0.3%

Women in the labour force, 2005:	46.5%
Gender pay gap, 2005:	16%
Female government ministers, 2006: percentage of total for both sexes	16.6%
Female central bank board members, 2005: percentage of total for both sexes	14.3%
Female tertiary students, 2003-2004: percentage of total for both sexes	52.5%

Total fertility rate

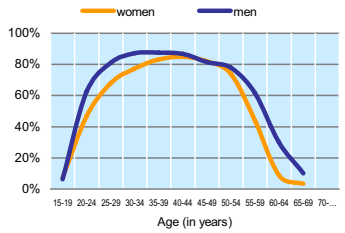


Parliament seats held by women (% of total)



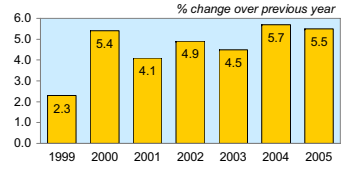
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Employment (% change over previous year)	-2.1	-3.5	-0.4	0.4	6.3	1.9	1.5
Unemployment rate (%)	15.7	16.4	19.5	18.1	13.7	12.0	9.9
Youth unemployment rate (%)	..	33.7	38.8	37.0	28.2	25.8	22.3

Economic activity rate, 2004

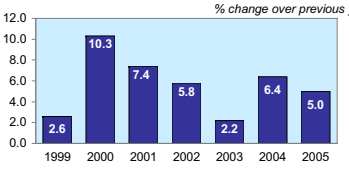


GDP at current prices	
in millions of US Dollars, PPP, 2005:	68 707
in millions of BGN, 2005:	41 948
GDP at constant 2000 prices, per capita	
US Dollars, PPP, 2005:	8 129
BGN, 2005:	4 398
Final consumption expenditure at 2000 prices, per capita, US Dollars, PPP, 2005:	7 202
Purchasing Power Parity (PPP)	
BGN per USD, 2005, US=1:	0.611
Gross external debt:	
in millions of US Dollars, 2005:	17 226
Exchange rate	
Annual average, BGN per USD, 2005:	1.574

Real GDP growth rate

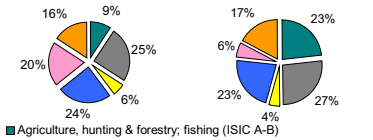


Consumer price index (annual average)



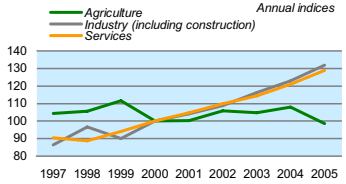
	% of GDP
Exports of goods and services, 2005:	60.8
Imports of goods and services, 2005:	77.4
External trade balance, 2005:	-17

GDP by major sectors, 2005

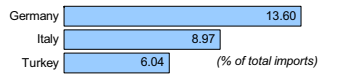
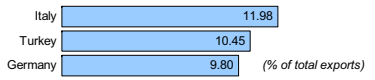


Employment in major sectors, 2005

GDP in agriculture, industry, and services (2000=100)



Major import partners from UNECE, 2005



Major export partners in UNECE, 2005