



SWITZERLAND

Fact Sheet

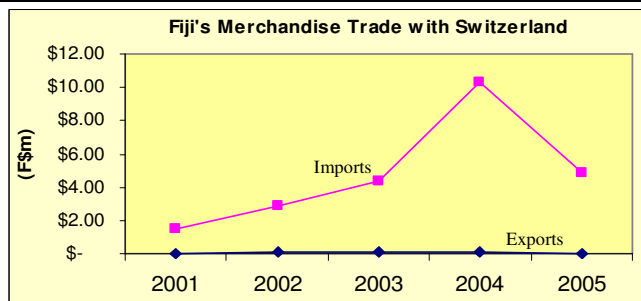
General Information

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| Capital | Berne | Official Language | German, French, Italian |
| Surface Area | 41 thousand sq km | Population | 7.4 million (2005) |
| Head of State | H.E.Mr Moritz Leuenberger, President of the Swiss Confederation | Natural Resources | hydropower potential, timber, salt |
| Head of Government | H.E.Mr Moritz Leuenberger | Agriculture Products | grains, fruits, vegetables; meat, eggs |
| Exchange Rate | FJ\$1= 0.715602 CHF | Literacy Rate | 99% |

Economic Indicators

| | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 ¹ |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| GDP (US\$ bn) (current prices) | 250.6 | 277.1 | 322.9 | 359.0 | 367.5 | 360.6 |
| GDP per Capita (US\$) | 34,748 | 38,327 | 44,561 | 49,448 | 50,524 | 49,485 |
| Current Account Balance (US\$) | 19,968 | 22,994 | 43,024 | 52,421 | 50,711 | 49,378 |
| Current Account Balance (% of GDP) | 8.0 | 8.3 | 13.3 | 14.6 | 13.8 | 13.7 |
| Goods & Services Exports (% of GDP) | 45.2 | 43.7 | 43.4 | 46.2 | 47.9 | 50.0 |
| Inflation (%) | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.0 |

Fiji Trade and Investment relationship with Switzerland



These figures do not include those of re-exports

Balance of Trade (BOT) (F\$m)

| | Imports | Exports | Re-exports | Total exports | BOT |
|------|---------|---------|------------|---------------|---------|
| 2001 | \$1.5 | \$0.03 | \$0.0004 | \$0.03 | \$(1.5) |
| 2002 | \$2.9 | \$0.06 | \$- | \$0.06 | \$(2.8) |
| 2003 | \$4.4 | \$0.06 | \$- | \$0.06 | \$(4.3) |
| 2004 | \$10.3 | \$0.08 | \$0.04 | \$0.12 | (10.2) |
| 2005 | \$4.9 | \$0.04 | \$- | \$0.04 | \$(4.9) |

Adapted from the Fiji Islands Bureau of Statistics (FBOS)

Fiji's Merchandise Trade with Switzerland, 2005

| Fiji's Major Exports to Switzerland (FJD\$m) | | Fiji's Major Imports from Switzerland (FJD\$m) | |
|---|---------|--|-------|
| Prepared Foodstuffs, beverages, spirits and tobacco | \$0.02 | Machinery & Mechanical & Electrical appliances & parts thereof | \$1.6 |
| Textiles & Textiles Articles | \$0.02 | Chemicals & Allied Products | \$1.1 |
| Wood, cork & Articles thereof & plaiting material | \$0.001 | Plastics, Rubber & Articles thereof | \$0.5 |

Switzerland Global Merchandise Trade - 2005

| Major Switzerland Exports (%) | | Switzerland's main merchandise export destination (%) | | Major Switzerland's Imports (%) | | Switzerland's main merchandise import source (%) | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|--|--------|
| 1. Chemicals | 36.10% | 1. Germany | 20.60% | 1. Machinery & electrical devices | 22.80% | 1. Germany | 27% |
| 2. Machinery & electrical devices | 23.00% | 2. US | 9.50% | 2. Chemicals | 20.60% | 2. Italy | 10.50% |
| 3. Watches | 8.10% | 3. France | 9.10% | 3. Vehicles | 9.30% | 3. France | 9.80% |
| 4. Metals | 7.70% | 4. Italy | 8.20% | 4. Metals | 8.60% | 4. US | 7.80% |
| 5. Precision instruments | 7.50% | 5. UK | 5.10% | 5. Agricultural products | 7.60% | 5. UK | 6.40% |

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Compiled using the latest data from the Market Information & Analysis Section, DFAT, FBOS, RBF,

¹ IMF/EU forecast