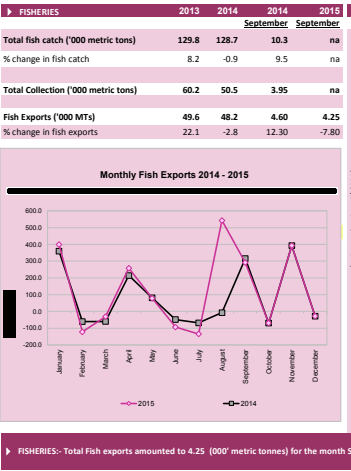
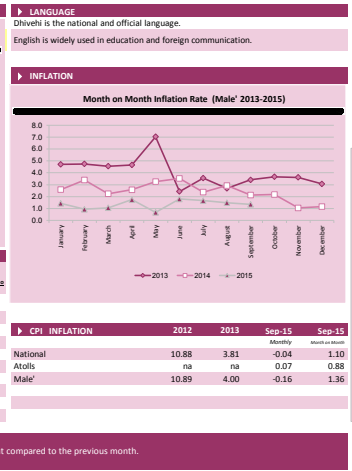
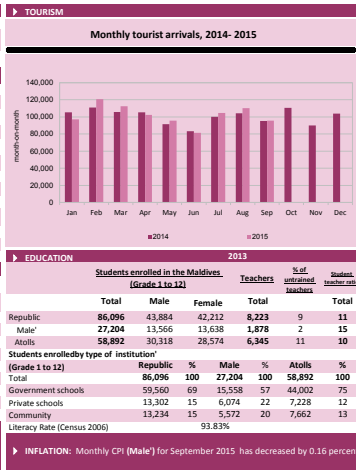


LOCATION, AREA AND CLIMATE	
Location	
Latitude : 7° 6' 35" N to 0° 42' 24" S	
Longitude : 72° 33' 19" E to 73° 46' 13" E	
Area	
Area (including sea)	115,300 sq. km
E.E.Z	859,000 sq. km
Climate	
Rainfall (mm)	2014 1,996.3 Sep-14 301.4 Sep-15 254.4
Average daily min. temp. (°C)	25.8 25.2 25.4
Average daily max. temp. (°C)	31.3 30.7 31.1
Lowest temp.	20.4°C 21.6 22.1
Highest temp.	35.2°C 32.3 32.8
Number of Islands	
Inhabited	188
Uninhabited	1004
Number of Inhabited Islands by size of Population	
Population	<100 100-199 200-399 400-999 1000+
No. of Islands	131 47 11 4 1
Number of Inhabited Islands by Area (in hectares)	
Area (in hectares)	1-39 40-79 80-99 100-199 200-300 300-520
No. of Islands	115 40 8 19 9 3
POPULATION	
	2014 (Census 2014) 2015 (projections)
Both Sexes	341,256 347,552
Male	173,172 175,394
Female	168,084 172,158
Census 2014	
Male	133,019 (39 % of Total population)
Atolls	208,237
Average Annual Growth Rate (2000-2006)	Republic 1.56% Male 2.93% Atolls 0.76%

HEALTH		2012	2013
Life expectancy at birth (years)			
Male		73.0	74.8
Female		74.8	74.7
Area			
Infant mortality rate /000 Live Births		6.0	8.0
Crude Birth Rate (CBR) /000 Population		21.0	21.0
Crude Death Rate (CDR) /000 Population		3.0	3.0
Still Birth Rate (SBR) /000 Live Births		9.0	5.0
Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) /000 Live Births		0.00	0.41
Population per hospital bed		na	na
Population per practicing nurse		na	na
Population per practicing doctor		na	na
Doctors / 10,000 Population		na	na
Family Health Workers / 10,000 Population		na	na
Community Health Workers / 10,000 Population		na	na
TOURISM			
Note: In 2013 no maternal death was occurred in the country			
TOURISM			
	2014	2015	
	August	Jan-Aug	
Tourist arrivals	1,204,857	95,511	919,277
% change (same period prev. year)	7.1	0.4	2.0
No. of registered resorts/marinas	111	112	111
No. of operational resorts/marinas	104	104	105
Occupancy rate resorts/marinas	82.3	70.6	77.0
Beds in operation (Resorts & Hotels)	24,349	24,606	24,765
Bed Nights (Resorts & Hotels)	7,108,851	504,463	5,043,253
% change (same period prev year)	1.5	1.3	1.6
% change (same period prev. year)	#	-4.8	-5.4
TOURISM:- Growth in tourist arrivals showed an increase of 0.4 percent for the period September 2015 compared to the same period of previous year.			



PRINCIPAL EXPORTS

	2014	2014	2015
Total Exports	166,518	101,145	106,145
Total fish and fish products	163,821	98	106,065
Frozen tuna	73,611	44	889
Fresh or chilled tuna	59,686	36	138
Dried Tuna	7,051	4	42,527
Canned fish	16,539	10	814
Fresh or chilled reef fish	3,168	2	39,040
Salted dried fish	1,239	1	11,657
Live reef fish	1,004	1	202
Fish meal	921	1	2,543
Sea cucumber	590	0	894
Frozen reef fish	6	0	4,738
Other marine products	6	0	2,023
Scrap metals	2,698	2	80
Others	0	0	0

Note: 'Irramed' Tuna Lons previously classified under canned fish is now classified as other marine products.