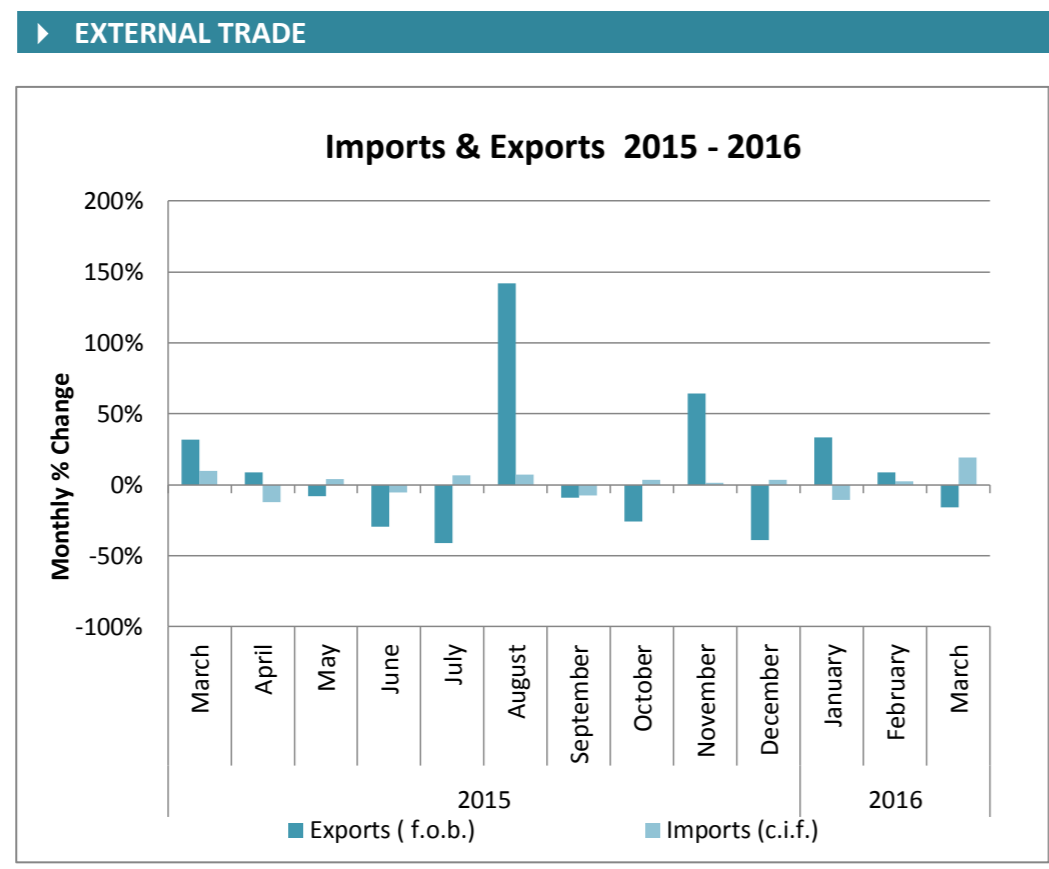


EXPORTS BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION				
	2015		2016	
	Jan-Mar	% Chn	Jan-Mar	% Chn
Total Exports	143,671	100	36,970	-9.1
Thailand	36,540	37	10,403	26
Sri Lanka	17,234	6	4,037	10
Italy	8,047	5	2,421	6
France	15,082	13	4,155	10
U.K	8,261	5	3,419	8
Japan	4,700	3	2,941	7
Germany	9,992	6	2,246	6
Taiwan	1,951	1	588	1
India	3,002	2	818	2
Others	38,864	22	9,626	24

QUANTUM INDEX FOR SELECTED EXPORT COMMODITIES (Index Base: 2004 = 100)			
	2011	2012	2013
Frozen tuna (MT)	45.66	47.17	70.49
Dried tuna (MT)	42.34	24.18	21.959
Salted dried fish (MT)	54.69	26.99	20.973
Fresh or chilled reef fish (MT)	239.93	289.05	222.99
Fresh or chilled tuna (MT)	127.31	121.9	127.72
Canned fish (MT)	19.9	28.04	32.01

IMPORTS BY COUNTRY OF CONSIGNMENT				
	2015		2016	
	Jan-Mar	% Chn	Jan-Mar	% Chn
Total Imports	1,890,258	100	481,694	-2.1
Singapore	324,069	18	72,490	15
U.A.E	315,976	31	77,493	16
India	225,815	2	50,893	10
Malaysia	141,451	5	38,701	8
Sri Lanka	132,819	6	31,096	6
Thailand	90,748	5	20,314	4
Bahamas	104	1	54	0
Australia	32,014	2	7,293	2
China	146,824	5	41,423	8
U.S.A	37,919	2	8,699	2
Indonesia	36,259	1	7,076	1
Germany	35,574	2	8,210	2
France	17,994	2	4,463	1
Canada	15,336	0	8,429	2
Other Countries	337,957	17	115,351	23



Chn for Change
Note: Due to rounding, the total may not tally with the figures.
Dollar rates from May 2011 onwards is calculated by the same rate used by department of customs

EXPORTS: - The value of exports amounted to 36,970 (000' USD) fob from the month Jan-Mar 2016. This is a 9.1 percent decrease over the same period of the previous year.

IMPORTS: - The value of imports amounted to 481,694 (000' USD) cif from the month Jan-Mar 2016. This is a 2.1 percent decrease over the same period of previous year.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS			
	2012	2013	2014
GDP (at 2003 constant prices)	(Est.)	(Prov.)	(Pro.)
GDP (million US\$)	1,611	1,671	1,746
Annual Growth Rate	1.3	3.7	4.5
GDP per Capita (US\$)	3,836	3,846	3,930
GDP (at current market prices)			
GDP (million US\$)	2,106	2,292	2,578
Published in Nov 2013			
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS			
	2013	2014	2015
(In million US\$)			
Balance on Goods	-1,372.0	-1,660.0	-1,654.8
Goods: Credit	331.0	300.9	239.7
Goods: Debit	-1,703.0	-1,960.9	-1,894.5
Balance on Services	1,895.6	2,222.1	2,072.0
Balance on current transfers	-287.2	-324.7	-365.4
Financial Account	63.5	537.7	361.3
Reserves	-63.8	-247.2	50.1
Current account	-127.4	-117.8	-295.5
Current account (percent of GDP)	-4.6	-3.9	-8.8
FINANCE			
	2014	2015	2016
(In million US\$)			
Total Revenue and Grants	983.4	1,147.9	1,476.0
Total Revenue	972.7	1,077.7	1,396.8
Grants	10.7	70.2	79.2
Total expenditure & net lending	1,064.7	1,380.4	1,694.7
Recurrent	905.3	1,052.8	1,052.4
Capital	167.3	328.5	641.3
Net Lending	-9.9	-0.9	1.0
Overall Deficit	-99.9	-303.6	-296.8
Overall Deficit (percent of GDP)	-4.7%	-13.2%	-11.5%
Debt Service Ratio	na	na	na

Note: Due to rounding the total may not tally with the figures.
Dollar rates used in the conversion are the same rates used by Maldives Customs Services

COMMUNICATION		
	2015	2016
Telephone lines		March
GDP (million US\$)	17,205	17,036
*Number of lines (excluding DID ~ Direct Inward Dialling)		
Number of lines in other inhabited islands (with Cable Network)	3,484	3,450
Number of lines in other uninhabited islands (without Cable Network including resorts & uninhabited islands)	1,346	1,332
Internet subscription customers (Including Mobile broadband)	235,682	260,055
Total card phones (Including Private Payphones)	129	129
Cellular phone lines (post paid and pre-paid)	728,234	761,325
*Number of lines includes Male', Villingili, Aarah, Hulhulhe, Hulhumale' & Off-Male' Govt		
TRANSPORT		
	2014	2015
Land transport	68,210	79,953
Cars	4,495	5,269
Motor / auto cycles	56,503	66,527
Other vehicles	7,212	8,157
Sea transport	12,074	12,672
Dhoani	6,888	2,057
Baththeli	164	165
Launch	2,540	2,794
Boat	559	600
Other vessels	1,923	7,056
EXCHANGE RATE		
In April 2011, the exchange rate regime was changed from a fixed rate regime to a band of 20% around a central parity of Rf12.5 per US\$. The mid point of exchange rate is 12.50 Rufiyaa and the rate is permitted to fluctuate within the ± 20% band, i.e. between 10.25 Rufiyaa and 15.42 Rufiyaa		
Exchange Rate, (BML - as of Jan 2014)		
US\$: 1.00	Buying	Selling
	15.00 (Rf)	15.42 (Rf)
Average exchange rate		end of
	1995-2001	2001
US\$: 1.00	11.77 (Rf)	12.24 (Rf)
		2002
		12.80 (Rf)
		period mid
		15.37

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	
	2015 Dec-14 Dec-15
Rainfall (mm)	2,251.4 222.5 149.7
Average daily min. temp. (°C)	25.8 25.3 26.1
Average daily max. temp. (°C)	31.5 30.9 31.5
Lowest temp	24.3°C 22.4 22.4
Highest temp.	33°C 33 33
Number of Islands	
Inhabited	188
Uninhabited	1,192
Number of Inhabited Islands by size of Population	
Population	<1000 1000-1999 2000-3999 4000-9999 10000+
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 2015
	(Census 2014) (projections)
Both Sexes	341,256 347,552
Male	173,172 175,394
Female	168,084 172,158
Census 2014	
Male'	(39 % of Total population) 133,019
Atolls	208,237
Average Annual Growth Rate	Republic 1.56%
(2000 - 2006)	Male' 2.93%
	Atolls 0.76%

HEALTH		2014	2015
Life expectancy at birth (years)			
Male		73.1	73.1
Female		74.8	74.6
Area			
Infant mortality rate /'000 Live Births		8.0	9.0
Crude Birth Rate (CBR) /'000 Population		21.0	20.0
Crude Death Rate (CDR) /'000 Population		3.0	3.0
Still Birth Rate (SBR) /'000 Live Births		5.0	6.0
Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) /'000 Live Births		0.41	0.07
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
<i>Note: In 2013 no maternal death was occurred in the country</i>			
TOURISM		2015	2016
Tourist arrivals			
		March	Jan - Mar
Tourist arrivals		1,234,248	344,166
% change (same period prev. year)		2.4	4.3
No. of registered resorts/marinas		112	116
No. of operational resorts/marinas		104	109
Occupancy rate resorts/marinas		76.2	84.7
Beds in operation (Resorts & Hotels)		24,804	25,492
% change (same period prev year)		1.9	2.4
Bed Nights (Resorts & Hotels)		6,694,003	1,885,576
% change (same period prev. year)		-5.8	0.6
TOURISM:- Growth in tourist arrivals showed an increase of 4.3 percent for the period March 2016 compared to the same period of previous year.			

TOURISM	
Monthly tourist arrivals, 2015 - 2016	
month-on-month	2015 2016
Jan	100,000 100,000
Feb	120,000 120,000
Mar	110,000 110,000
Apr	100,000 100,000
May	90,000 90,000
Jun	80,000 80,000
Jul	100,000 100,000
Aug	110,000 110,000
Sep	90,000 90,000
Oct	100,000 100,000
Nov	90,000 90,000
Dec	120,000 120,000
EDUCATION	
Students enrolled in the Maldives (Grade 1 to 12)	
	2015
	Teachers % of untrained teachers Student-teacher ratio
Total	Male Female Total Total
Republic	88,341 45,207 43,134 6,656 14 10
Male'	30,361 15,365 14,996 1,598 3 13
Atolls	57,980 29,842 28,138 5,058 17 9
Students enrolled by type of institution'	
(Grade 1 to 12)	Republic % Male % Atolls %
Total	88,341 100 30,361 100 57,980 100
Government schools	60,841 69 18,405 61 42,436 73
Private schools	14,191 16 7,015 23 7,176 12
Community	13,309 15 4,941 16 8,368 14
Literacy Rate (Census2014)	98.00%
INFLATION: Monthly CPI (Male') for March 2016 has increased by 1.44 percent compared to the previous month.	

LANGUAGE	
Dhivehi is the national and official language.	
English is widely used in education and foreign communication.	
INFLATION	
Month on Month Inflation Rate (Male' 2013-2015)	
Month	2014 2015 2016
January	2.5 1.5 1.5
February	3.5 1.0 1.0
March	2.5 1.5 1.5
April	3.0 1.5 1.5
May	3.5 1.5 1.5
June	3.5 1.5 1.5
July	2.5 1.5 1.5
August	3.0 1.5 1.5
September	2.0 1.5 1.5
October	2.0 1.5 1.5
November	1.5 1.5 1.5
December	1.5 1.5 1.5
CPI INFLATION	
	2014 2015 Feb-16 Feb-16
	Monthly Month on Month
National	2.12 0.95 -0.53 0.67
Atolls	1.84 0.59 -0.71 0.00
Male'	2.45 1.37 -0.33 1.44

FISHERIES		2014	2015	2015	2016
Total fish catch ('000 metric tons)		128.7	na	na	na
% change in fish catch		-0.9	na	na	na
Total Collection ('000 metric tons)		50.5	3.23	4.56	
Fish Exports ('000 MTs)		48.2	3.33	3.11	
% change in fish exports		-2.8	154.00	193.20	
Monthly Fish Purchases 2014 - 2015					
Month	2014 2015				
January	25.0 25.0				
February	-5.0 -5.0				
March	10.0 10.0				
April	90.0 90.0				
May	-5.0 -5.0				
June	-5.0 -5.0				
July	5.0 5.0				
August	5.0 5.0				
September	-5.0 -5.0				
October	160.0 160.0				
November	-5.0 -5.0				
December	-5.0 -5.0				
FISHERIES:- Total Fish exports amounted to 3.23 (000' metric tonnes) for the month March 2016.					

PRINCIPAL EXPORTS		2015	2016
	(F.O.B Value in US\$ '000)	2015	2016
		%	%
Total Exports		143,671	100
Total fish and fish products		139,953	97
Frozen tuna		38,692	27
Fresh or chilled tuna		69,663	48
Dried tuna		8,308	6
Canned fish		13,794	10
Fresh or chilled reef fish		3,810	3
Salted dried fish		1,460	1
Live reef fish		1,259	1
Fish meal		1,940	1
Sea cucumber		550	0
Frozen reef fish		478	0
Other marine products		0	0
Scrap metals		3,027	2
Others		691	0
<i>Note:- steamed Tuna Loins previously classified under canned fish is now classified as other marine product</i>			