

Republic of Korea



Geography

Geographic Region: Asia Pacific
Geographic Sub-region: North Asia

People

Population (July 2010 est) 48,508,972
Percent of popn 0-14 years 16.80%
Percent of popn 15-64 years 72.30%
Percent of popn +65 years 10.80%
Population growth rate (2009 est.) 0.27%
Life expectancy 77.23 years

Religion

49.3% No religion

Literacy

Percentage of popn over 15 able to read & write 97.90%

Economy

Currency South Korean won
Currency code KRW
Percentage of labour force employed in agriculture (2007 est) 0.072
Percentage of labour force employed in industry (2007 est) 0.251
Percentage of labour force employed in services (2007 est) 67.70%

Government

Head of State President Lee Myung-bak
Head of Government Prime Minister CHUNG Un-chan
Legal system Civil law
Government type Republic

Economic Statistics

Date	Statistic	Rate
30/06/2010	12 month change in CPI	2.60%
30/06/2010	Unemployment Rate	3.50%
30/06/2010	1 Year GDP Growth Rate	7.20%
30/06/2010	GDP p.a. (in local currency billions)*	1163269
30/06/2010	2 Year Bond Yield	3.75%
30/06/2010	5 Year Bond Yield	4.44%
30/06/2010	10 Year Bond Yield	4.95%
30/06/2010	KRW v USD Exchange Rate	1231.20

Available Market Statistics (to Jun 2010)

KOSPI INDEX	3 Mth Return	6 Mth Return	12 Mth Return
	10.28%	10.63%	11.93%

Source: CIA World Factbook & Bloomberg

*GDP p.a. as calculated to the date

30/06/2010

