

# **Bhutan At A Glance (2001).**

**National Statistical Bureau.**

**Royal Government of Bhutan.**

## 1.Land.

Land	Figures
Area (sq. km)	46,500
Dzongkhags	20
Geogs	202
Currency	Ngultrum
National Language	Dzongkhag

## 2. Population.

Indicators	2000	Percent
Population*	677,934	100.0
Male	342,324	50.5
Female	335,610	49.5
Age Composition (%)		100.0
0-14		42.1
15-64		53.7
65+		4.3
Urban population (%).		21.0
Rural population (%).		79.0
Population Density		14.6
Median age (years).		19.4
Index of aging		10.1
Life expectancy, 1994		66.1
Male (years)		66.0
Female (years)		66.2
Total fertility rate, 1994		5.6

\*Based on 1996 estimate of 600,00 and growth rate=3.1%(National Health Survey, 1994).

## 3. Labour Force.

Indicators	1998	1999
Economic dependency ratio	166	122
Crude activity rate	38	45
General activity rate.	59	70
Unemployment rate	1.4	1.4
Employment rate	98.6	98.6
Economically active population.	58.9	69.7
Male	32.8	37.9
Female	26.1	31.8

#### 4. Health.

Facilities	1998	1999	2000
Doctors	98	103	109
Hospitals	28	28	29
BHUs	145	145	160
Indigenous hospitals	1	1	18
Population per doctor	6,510	6,384	6,220
Safe drinking water (%)	58	63	78
Health Coverage (%)	90	90	90

Source: Health Division, Ministry of Health and Education.

#### 5. Education.

Infrastructures	1998	1999	2000
Private Schools	7	7	8
Community Schools	115	113	151
Primary Schools	128	121	110
Junior High Schools	44	51	59
High Schools	18	21	26
Institutions	10	10	7
<b>Total enrolment</b>	<b>100,335</b>	<b>107,792</b>	<b>117,713</b>
Schools	98,351	105,668	115,889
Institutes	2,004	2,124	1,824
<b>Teachers</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>2,856</b>	<b>3,026</b>
Schools	2,570	2,632	2,867
Institutes	215	224	159
<b>Student to teacher ratio</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>

Source: Education Division, Ministry of Health and Education.

## 6. Gross Domestic Product.

Indicators	1998	1999	2000
GDP at current market price (mill. Nu)	16,337.0	19,122.0	21,698.0
Annual Per Capita GDP in Nu.	25,615.5	29,080.8	32,006.2
Annual Per Capita GDP in US \$	620.2	674.7	712.8
GNP at market prices (mill. Nu)	14,013.0	16,040.0	18,240.0
Annual Per Capita GNP in Nu.	21,971.6	24,393.7	26,905.4
Annual Per Capita GNP in US \$	532.0	566.0	599.2
Agriculture share to GDP (%)	37.1	35.0	35.9
GDP real growth	6.3	7.4	5.7
Final Consumption (mill. Nu.)			
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Investment (mill. Nu.)	6,245.0	8,235.0	9,496.0

## 7. Consumer Price Indices.

Percentage changes over the previous year.

Item	1999		2000		2001
	Jun	Dec	Jun	Dec	Jun
Food	9.2	2.6	0.6	1.3	0.8
Non-food	9.2	7.9	8.9	9.6	8.0
Total	9.2	4.5	3.6	4.4	3.6
Purchasing Power of Ngultrums (PPN).	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.16

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Average growth (%)	June (1980-2001)	December (1979-2000)
Food	8.1	8.1
Non-food	10.5	10.9
Total	8.9	9.0

### 8. Balance of Payments (million Nu.)

Trade	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00
Value of exports	4,274.2	4,460.0	4,987.9
Value of imports	5,226.1	6,913.7	8,074.7
Balance of trade	-951.9	-2,453.7	-3,086.9
Money reserves (million US \$).	216.7	259.0	292.6

Average exchange rates, Ngultrum per US dollar.

Period	1998	1999	2000
Calendar Year	41.3	43.1	44.9
Fiscal Year	38.4	42.6	43.6

### 9. Public Finance. (Million Nu.)

Details	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00
Revenue	2,989.8	3,485.8	4,381.1
Tax	1,246.4	1,265.8	1,977.1
Non-tax	1,744.4	2,220.0	2,404.0
Grants	1,1816.3	3,262.6	3,274.1
Total	4,588.3	7,284.0	8,334.3
Expenditure			

Source: Dept. of Budget & Accounts, Ministry of Finance.

### 10. Agriculture, 1995

Types of Land	%
Forest	72.5
Pasture	3.9
Agriculture	7.7
Others	15.9

### 11. Industries.

Sectors	1998	1999	2000
Production & Manufacturing	447	486	523
Services	2,530	2,922	3,281
Contracts	1,874	2,308	5,212
All Sectors	4,851	5,716	9,016

Source: Ministry of Trade and Industry.

### 12. Transport and Communications. (In numbers).

Details	1998	1999	2000
All roads (Km.)	3,376	3,636	3,746
Bridges (Road & Suspension)	320	538	542
New Registered vehicles during the year	2,101	2,659	Not available
Druk Air Passengers	38,968	40,408	19,233*
Telephone connection	14,860	15,353	Not available
Postal infrastructure	106	107	107

\*' Data refers to January-June 2000

Source: Ministry of Communication

### 13. Energy

Details	1998	1999	2000
Towns electrified (nos.)	39	40	40
Village electrifies (nos.)	375	443	552
Consumers ('000)	31.6	33.7	35.7
Electricity consumption (MU)	375.2	390.8	445.6

Source: department of Power, Ministry of Trade and Industry.

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### Revenue from Chhukha hydropower.

Details	1999	2000	2001 <sup>@</sup>
Export	2,019.1	2,411.2	46.4
Internal Consumptions	122.5	136.1	38.1
Total	2,141.7	2,547.3	84.4

Note: @ data refers to as of March 2001.

### 14. Tourism.

Number of tourist arrival by region.

Region	1998	1999	2000
America	1,714	2,285	3,024
Asia & Pacific	1,418	1,599	1,556
Europe	3,062	3,118	2,948
Others	9	156	7
All region	6,203	7,158	7,535
Revenue earning (US \$ million)	7.98	8.88	9.00

Source: Bhutan Tourism Corporation Ltd.