

## Country Overview

**Country:** Lesotho  
**Capital:** Maseru  
**Currency:** Lesotho Loti (LSL)      1 USD = 19.15 LSL  
**Official language:** Sesotho/ English  
**Continent:** Africa  
**Country land area:** 30,355 km<sup>2</sup>  
**Government:** Unitary parliamentary constitutional monarchy  
**Monarch of Lesotho:** Letsie III



## Facts and Figures



**Population**  
2.2 million



**GDP (PPP)**  
\$6.5 billion



**GDP (5-year compound annual growth)**  
-0.7%



**Unemployment**  
24.6%

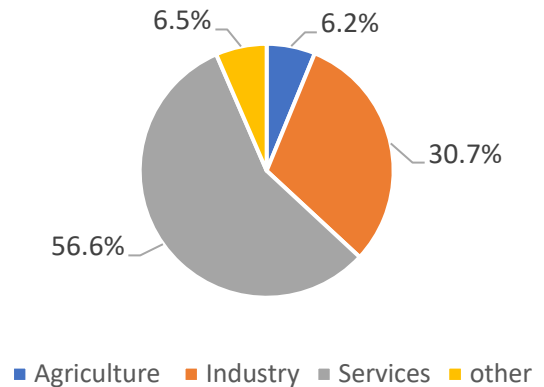


**GDP Per Capita**  
\$3,092



**Inflation (CPI)**  
8.2%

## Lesotho GDP (2022)



Source: www.heritage.org/

Source: Statista

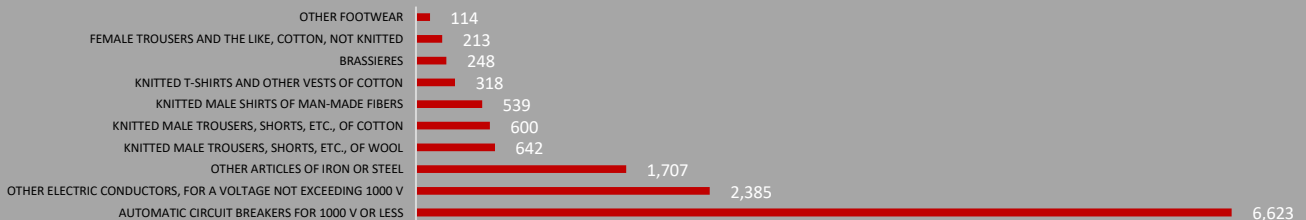
## Imports & Exports Overview - Bahrain & Lesotho

### Bahrain Foreign Trade with Lesotho 2023

Year	Total Imports	Total Exports	Balance of Trade	Volume of Trade	Volume of Trade % Change
2021	21,407	-	- 21,407	21,407	-
2022	45,925	-	-45,925	45,925	115%
2023	13,596	-	-13,596	13,596	-70%

- Lesotho **172<sup>nd</sup> import** market for Bahrain (2023)
- Bahrain's imports increased by **70%** (2022-2023)

## Bahrain's Top Imports from Lesotho (USD)



Source: Information and e-Government Authority

## Market Opportunities



Knitted Fabric Mill



Leather and Footwear



Food Processing



Diamond Mining



Water Bottling



Energy



Pharmaceuticals



Electronic Appliances

Source: The Lesotho National Development Corporation