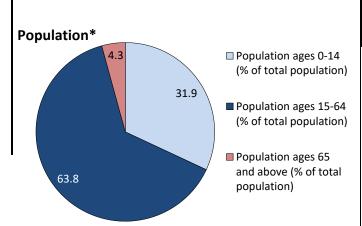
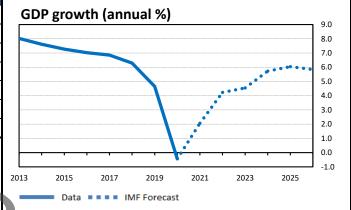
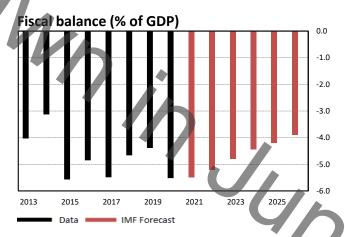
Economic Overview						
Nominal GDP (\$US bn)	18.8					
Real annual GDP Growth (%)	-0.4					
GDP per capita (\$U\$)	2,586.8					
Annual inflation rate (%)	5.1					
Unemployment rate (%)	ı					
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-5.5					
Current account balance (% of GDP)	-4.4					

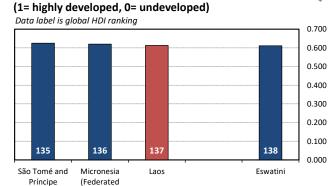
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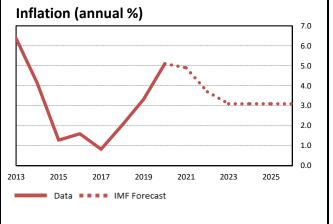


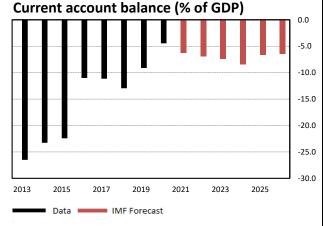


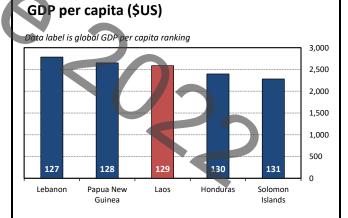


Human Development Index

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Factsheet updated October 2021. Next update April 2022. Laos Most data refers to 2020 (*indicates the most recent available) (all forecasts from Oct 2021 IMF data)										
Macroeconomy				lation	Trade & Investment † for latest statistics, see DIT factsheets https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/trade-and-investment-factsheets					
Real annual GDP growth (%)	-0.4	Population (millions)			7.28	Current account balance (% of GDP)		-4.4		
GDP at Purchasing Power Parity (\$U\$ bn)	58.9	Population growth rate (% change)			1.416	Current account balance (\$US bn)		-0.8		
GDP at Purchasing Power Parity per capita (\$)	8,099.4	Urban population (%)			36.3	Total exports of goods and services (\$US bn)		6.4		
GDP at PPP as a share of world (%)	0.0	Development				Total imports of goods and services (\$US bn)		5.9		
Government Finance		Human Capital Index score for 2020 (min 0, max 1)			0.46	Exports of goods to UK (£m)†		16		
General government net debt (% of GDP)		Human Development Index (min 0, max 1)*			0.61	Imports of goods from UK (£m)†		11		
General government gross debt (% of GDP)	68.2	Life expectancy at birth (years)*			67.9	Exports of services to UK (£m)†		1		
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-5.5	Literacy rates (%)*			84.7	Imports of services from UK (£m)†		12		
General government revenue (% of GDP)	12.8	Income inequality (equality 0, inequality 100)*			38.8	Exports + imports as share of GDP (%)		65.6		
General government expenditure (% of GDP)	18.3	Internet users (% population)*			25.5	Inward direct investment flow (\$US bn)*		0.56		
Current health expenditure (% of GDP)*	2.2	Net aid received per capita (\$US)*			88.1	Inward direct investment stocks (\$US bn)*		9.9		
Public education expenditure (% of GDP)*	-	Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)			36.4	Emissions & Environment				
Military expenditure (% of GDP)*	-	Fertility Rate*			2.63	CO ₂ emissions per capita (tonnes)*		2.7		
Foreign Exchange reserves (\$US bn)*	1.4	Personal remittances, received (% of GDP)			1.38	Pump price for petrol (\$US per litre)*		0.93		
Energy		Net ODA received (% of GNI)			3.68	Energy use per capita (kg of oil	-			
Oil production (thousand barrels per day)	-	Poverty headcount ratio at \$1.90 per day*			10.00	Food imports (% share of goods imports)*		15.7		
Gas production (bn cubic metres per year)	-	Poverty headcount ratio at \$3.20 per day*			37.40	Forest area (% of land area)*		71.9		
Net energy imports (% of energy use)*	-				46	Agricultural land (% of land area	10.4			
Forecast and comparison with other countries/territories										
		Value		Global Ranking (1-185)		or countries/terri	s/territories in 2020			
Indicator	2020	2021 forecast	2026 forecast	2020	2021 forecast	2026 forecast		2020		
Population (million)	7.3	7.4	7.9	100	99	Below Hong Kong Paraguay	SAR, Above	UK rank is 21		
Nominal GDP (\$US bn)	18.8	19.4	25.0	115	115	114 Below Yemen, Ab		UK rank is 5		
GDP/capita (\$US)	2,587	2,626	3,398	129	129	129 Above Lower mid	e (\$2555.38)	UK rank is 22		
Real annual GDP growth (%)	-0.4	2.1	5.8	33	145	Above Lower Mid Economy Average	e (-2.9%)	UK rank is 161		
General government gross debt (% of GDP)	68.2	70.9	69.2			orld Economic Outlook, World Bank WD World Energy, UNCTAD statistics, ONS UI				
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-5.5	-5.5	-3.9	Balance of Payments and UN International Human Development Indicators. Factsheets for 185 countries and a detailed sources page can be found on the Foreign, Commonwealth						
Annual inflation rate (%)	5.1	4.9	3.1	Economics Unit SharePoint (FCDO users only): & Development Office						
Unemployment rate (%)	-	-	-	https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/fco-economic-factsheets						

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