## **Brief: Ukraine**

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### 1. COUNTRY'S SNAPSHOT1

Area: 603 700 km<sup>2</sup> of which about 55% is cultivated

Population: 45.8 mil (end-2009)

Languages: Ukrainian is the official language. Russian is equally widely spoken in Eastern Ukraine, Kiev and

parts of the countryside.

Capital: Kiev (2.602 mil - Dec 2001) Weights and Measure: Metric system

Currency: Hryvnya

Time: Two hours ahead of GMT.

Head of State: The president, Viktor Yanukovych

Prime Minister: Mykola Azarov

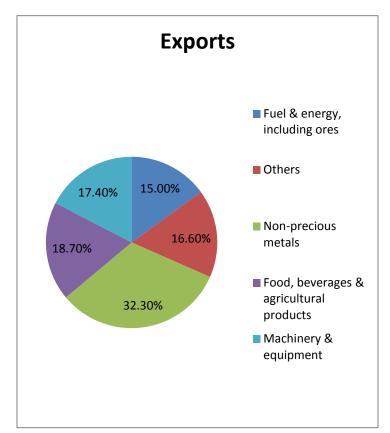
Minister - Agrarian policy: Mykola Prysyazhnyuk

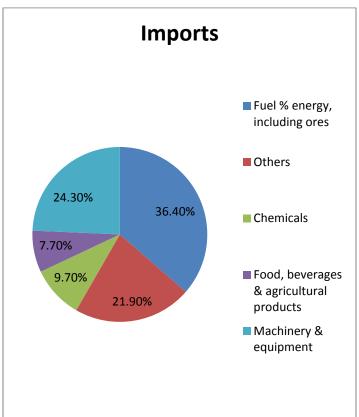
<sup>1</sup> Country Report Ukraine – May 2013. Economist Intelligence Unit

## 2. UKRAINE'S ECONOMY<sup>2 3</sup>

The estimated nominal GDP was US\$ 176.3 billion, with a growth rate of 0.2% in 2012. Estimated average annual inflation was 0.6% in 2012. Current-account balance was an estimated US\$ 14 761 million in 2012. Table 1 indicates the major exports and imports of Ukraine in 2011.

Table 1: Principle exports and imports in 2011 (share of total)





#### 3. AGRICULTURAL AGREEMENTS<sup>4</sup>

Ukraine has no signed agricultural agreements with SA, but is a WTO member.

## 4. UKRAINE'S IMPORTS FROM THE WORLD 5

Table 2 indicates the top imports of agriculture, forestry and fisheries products by Ukraine from the world.

Table 2: Top imports of agriculture, forestry and fisheries products by Ukraine from the world (Array based on 2011 - R'000)

HS				
Code	Product description	2009	2010	2011
	Sanitary articles of paper,incl sanit			
'481840	towels&napkin (diapers) f babies	1,875,092	1,846,536	1,874,618
'210111	Coffee extracts, essences, concentrates	1,442,576	1,384,594	1,845,481

<sup>2</sup> Country Report Ukraine -May 2013. Economist Intelligence Unit t

<sup>3</sup> Country Forecast Ukraine - Apr 2013. Economist Intelligence Unit

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<sup>5</sup> Source: Trade Map

1040400	Tobacco, unmanufactured, partly or	4 777 047	4 044 000	4 000 075
'240120	wholly stemmed or stripped	1,777,217	1,814,826	1,820,875
'210690	Food preparations nes	1,304,616	1,325,277	1,600,535
'100510	Maize (corn) seed	517,081	792,744	1,194,160
'080300	Bananas including plantains, fresh or dried	1,121,073	1,129,493	1,097,403
'170111	Raw sugar, cane	186,877	907,020	943,856
'151110	Palm oil, crude	1,128,280	1,187,017	939,887
'020329	Swine cuts, frozen nes	901,601	957,022	878,386
'080520	Mandarins(tang&sats)clementines&wilkgs ∼ citrus hybrids,fresh/dried	783,181	793,954	850,767
'230990	Animal feed preparations nes	669,870	720,323	828,282
'151790	Edible mx/prep of animal/veg fats&oils/of fractions ex hd No 15.16	723,656	654,228	781,248
'120600	Sunflower seeds, whether or not broken	365,867	425,254	780,393
'151190	Palm oil and its fractions refined but not chemically modified	692,612	809,557	758,195
'090121	Coffee, roasted, not decaffeinated	457,522	466,497	754,054
'220820	Spirits obtained by distilling grape wine or grape marc	433,653	487,873	722,444
'230910	Dog or cat food put up for retail sale	623,848	578,892	680,307
'180310	Cocoa paste not defatted	634,596	684,583	677,567
'180500	Cocoa powder, not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter	308,415	550,593	672,160
'080510	Oranges, fresh or dried	658,823	686,798	627,873
'480240	Paper, wallpaper base, in rolls or sheets, uncoated	506,821	512,382	606,359

# 5. SOUTH AFRICA'S TRADE WITH UKRAINE 6

### 5.1 Trade Balance for all products traded between SA and Ukraine

Table 3 indicates that for the period 2009 and 2010 SA had a trade surplus for trade in all products with Ukraine. For 2011 and 2012 SA had a trade deficit for trade in all products with Ukraine.

Table 3: Trade balance for all products between Ukraine and SA (R 'million)

Total Trade	2009	2010	2011	2012
SA exports to Ukraine	302	512	388	267
SA imports from Ukraine	260	324	845	1,375
Trade surplus/(deficit )for SA	42	188	(457)	(1,108)

### 5.2 Trade Balance for agriculture, forestry and fisheries products traded between SA and Ukraine

Table 4 indicates that for the period 2009 and 2010 SA had a trade surplus for trade in Agriculture, forestry and fisheries products with Ukraine. For 2011 and 2012 SA had a trade deficit for trade in Agriculture, forestry and fisheries products with Ukraine.

<sup>6</sup> Source: WTA Revised data

Table 4: Agriculture, forestry and fisheries trade balance between Ukraine and SA (R 'million)

Agri/Fish/Forest Trade	2009	2010	2011	2012
SA exports to Ukraine	82	111	90	80
SA imports from Ukraine	79	65	397	563
Trade surplus/(deficit )for SA	3	46	(307)	(483)

Table 5 indicates the export of agricultural/fishery/forestry products with a value of more than R 1 million, by SA to Ukraine.

Table 5: Export of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Products from SA to Ukraine with a value of more than R 1 million(R 'million – Array based on 2012)

HS Code	Product	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total	Agri/Fish/Forest Products	82	111	90	80
080510	Oranges, Fresh	46	61	55	52
080550	Lemons And Limes, Fresh Or Dried	5	18	18	13
080540	Grapefruit, Fresh Or Dried	5	6	8	4
220421	Wine Of Fresh Grapes (Other Than Sparkling Wine) A	1	2	2	4
200799	Jams, Fruit Jellies, Marmalades And Cooked Purees	0	0	0	3
	Peaches, Prepared Or Preserved, Whether Or Not			0	2
200870	Con	0	0		
080520	Mandarins (Including Tangerines And Satsumas); Cle	1	5	1	1

Table 6 indicates the import of agriculture, forestry and fisheries products with a value of more than R 1 million, by SA from Ukraine. It is noted than in 2011 there was a sharp increase in the imports of sunflower-seed or safflower oil and in 2012 there was a sharp increase in the imports of sunflower-seed or safflower oil and maize seed/products.

Table 6: Import of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Products by SA from Ukraine with a value of more than R 1 million(R 'million – Array based on 2012)

HS Code	Product	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total	Agri/Fish/Forest Products	79	65	397	563
151211	Sunflower-Seed Or Safflower Oil, And Their Fractio	0	52	390	320
100510	Corn (Maize) Seed, Certified, Excluding Sweet Corn	0	0	0	166
100590	Corn (Maize), Other Than Seed Corn	0	0	0	30
110220	Corn (Maize) Flour	0	0	0	21
071310	Peas (Pisum Sativum), Dried Shelled, Including See	4	3	2	14
350110	Casein	2	1	1	8
210112	Coffee Extracts, Essences And Concentrates And Pre	0	0	0	2
040229	Milk And Cream, Concentrated, Sweetened, In Powder	0	0	0	1

# 6. INDICATIVE TRADE POTENTIAL BETWEEN UKRAINE AND SA 8

Table 7 indicates the top products that can be exported by SA to Ukraine (based on the indicative trade potential).

Table 7: Indicative Trade Potential for the top 25 Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries products traded between Ukraine and SA (R 000 – Array based on 2011)

HS Code	Product description	2010	2011
'210690	Food preparations nes	803,180	1,077,665
'080520	Mandarins(tang&sats)clementines&wilkgs ∼ citrus hybrids,fresh/dried	654,709	731,101
'170111	Raw sugar, cane	851,959	693,696
'080510	Oranges, fresh or dried	578,003	552,430
'220421	Grape wines nes,incl fort&grape must,unfermntd by add alc in ctnr =2l</td <td>368,852</td> <td>517,189</td>	368,852	517,189
'240220	Cigarettes containing tobacco	599,255	509,459
'100510	Maize (corn) seed	287,956	466,438
'030379	Fish nes, frozen, excluding heading No 03.04, livers and roes	293,531	418,326
'210390	Sauces and preparations nes and mixed condiments and mixed seasonings	359,648	404,520
'480100	Newsprint, in rolls or sheets	284,304	297,812
'080550	Fresh or dried lemons "Citrus limon, Citrus limonum" and limes "Citrus	331,261	291,225
'490199	Books, brochures, leaflets and similar printed matter, nes	243,448	268,295
'030378	Hake, frozen, excluding heading No 03.04, livers and roes	192,068	248,636
'230990	Animal feed preparations nes	182,958	243,034
'080810	Apples, fresh	534,414	226,503
'170199	Refined sugar, in solid form, nes	425,728	214,408
'080610	Grapes, fresh	263,446	195,627
'081090	Fruits, fresh nes	165,139	195,447
'080620	Grapes, dried	173,090	191,672
'470329	Chemical wood pulp,soda/sulphate,non-coniferous,semi-bl/bleachd,nes	188,774	181,583
'080930	Peaches, including nectarines, fresh	162,486	178,887
'170490	Sugar confectionery nes (includg white chocolate),not containg cocoa	133,399	174,249
'120220	Ground-nuts shelled, whether or not broken, not roastd or otherwise cooked	187,112	156,014
'120991	Seeds, vegetable, nes for sowing	128,276	153,504
'240120	Tobacco, unmanufactured, partly or wholly stemmed or stripped	394,470	144,797

<sup>7</sup> The indicative trade potential is defined as the lower of the value a selected country exports to the world or the value the partner country imports from the world minus the current trade between the two countries under review. The trade potential is indicative only and serves as a departure point for further research. It gives an overview of the complementarities of the two economies.

<sup>8</sup> Source: Trade Map