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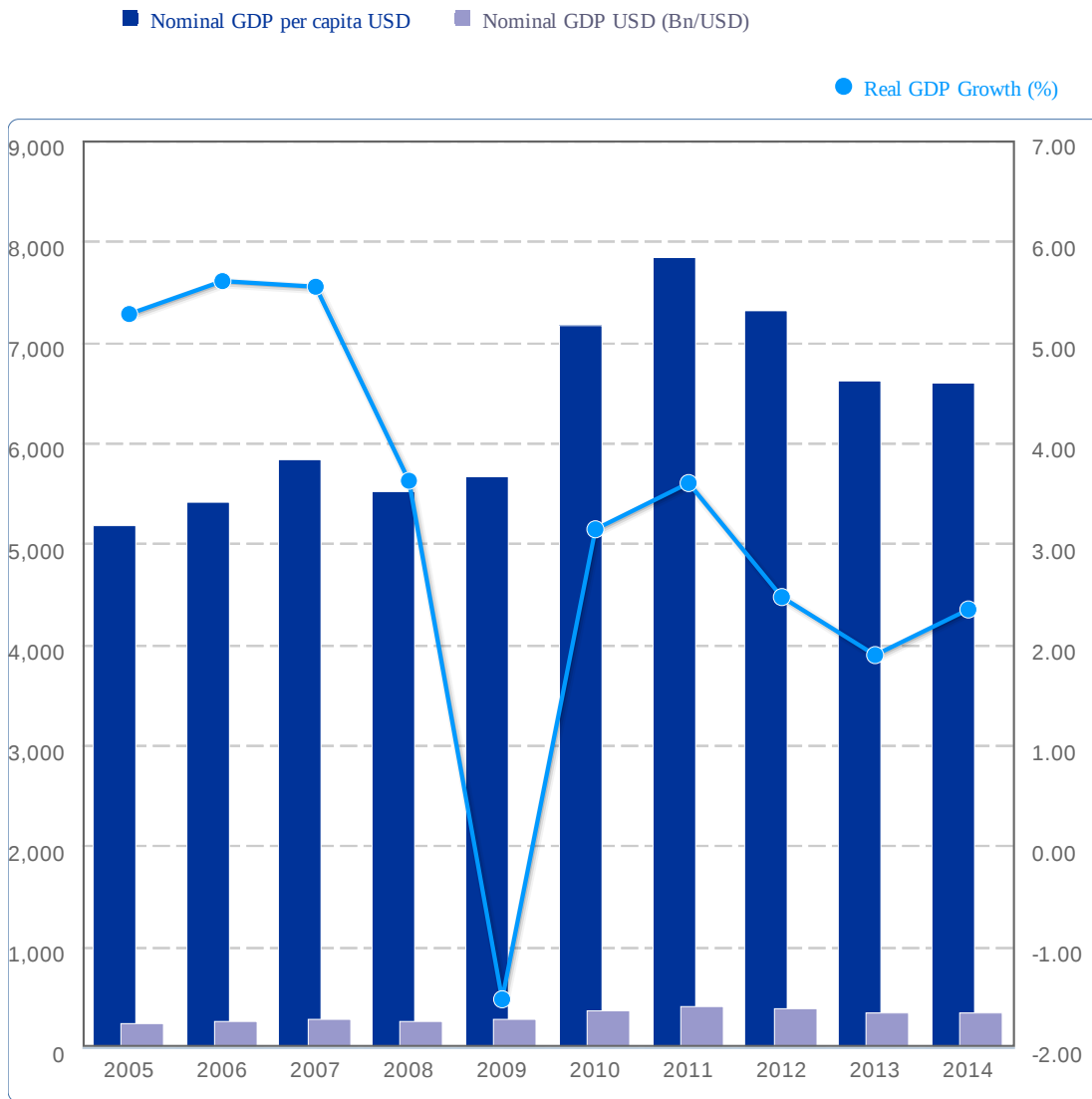
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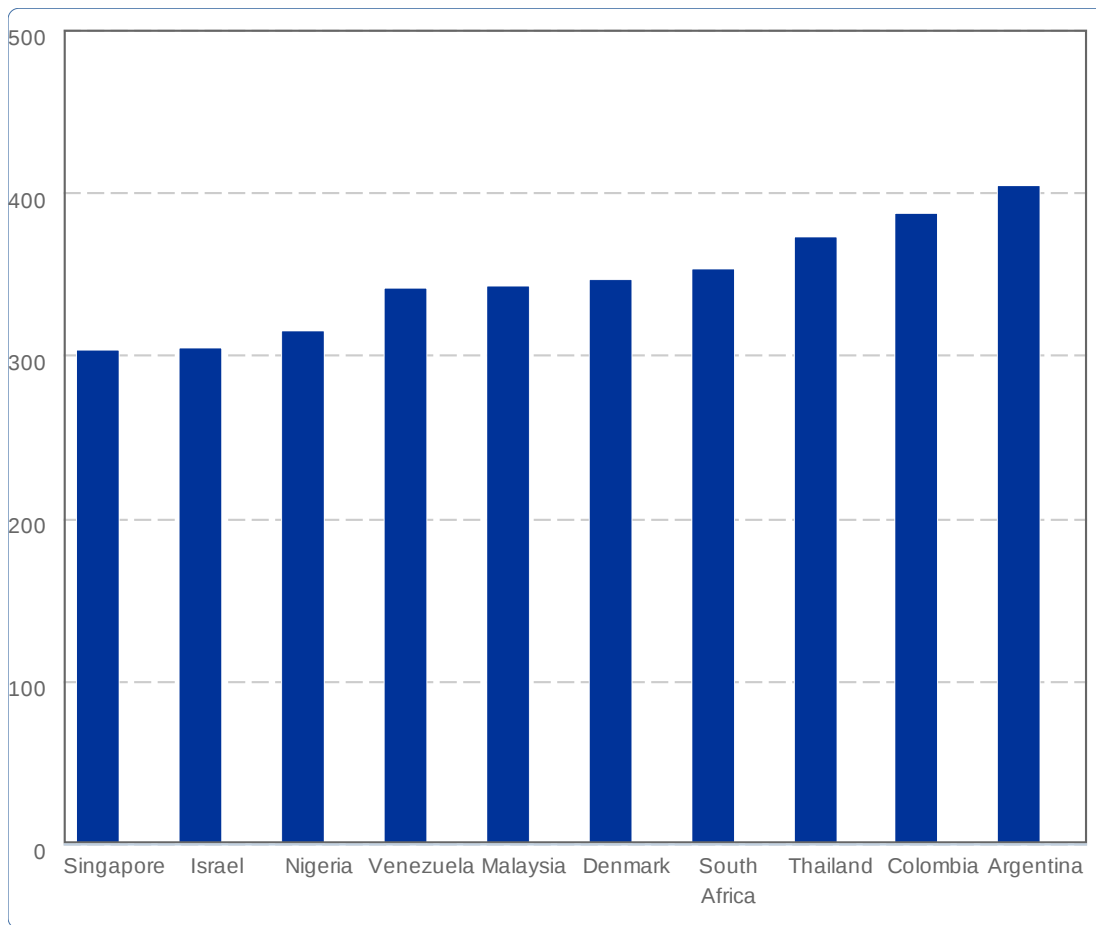
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## South Africa - Gross domestic product, current prices U.S. dollars rankings

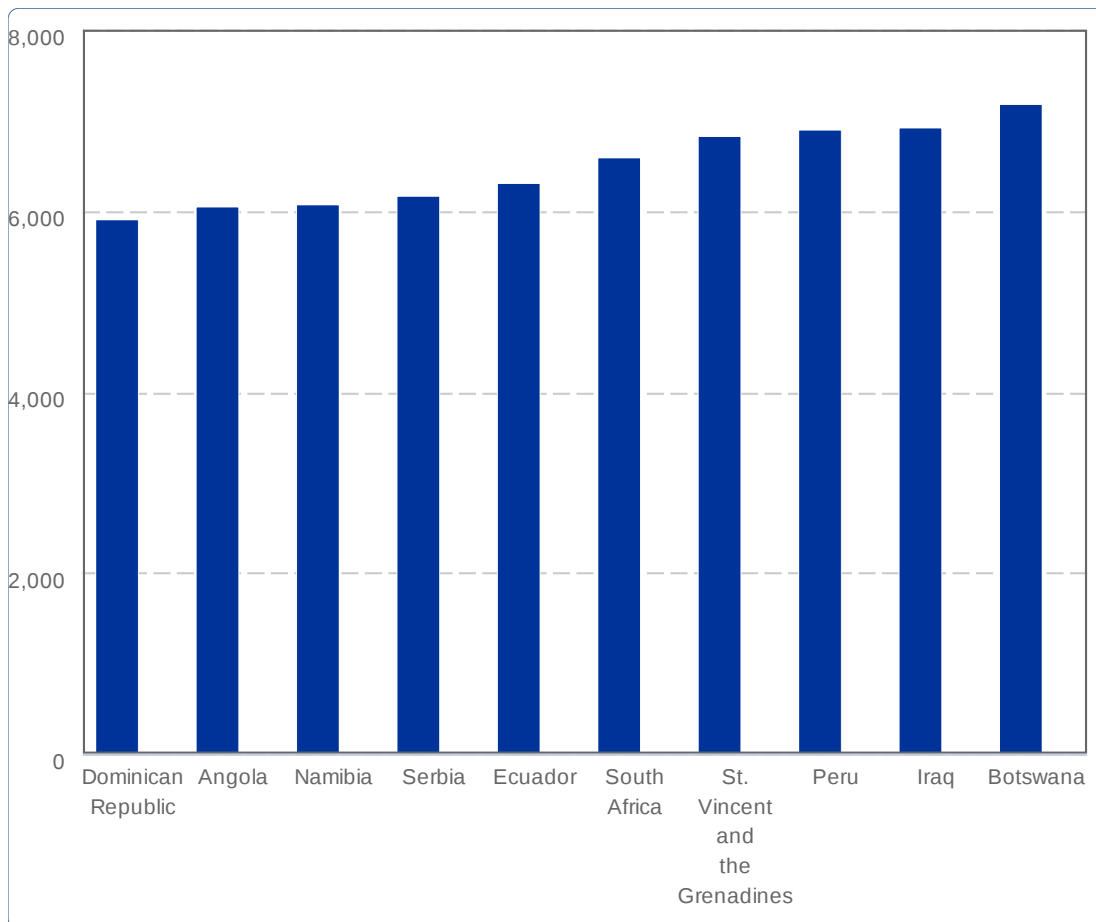
■ Gross domestic product, current prices U.S. dollars 2014



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## South Africa - Gross domestic product per capita, current prices U.S. dollars rankings

■ Gross domestic product per capita, current prices U.S. dollars 2014

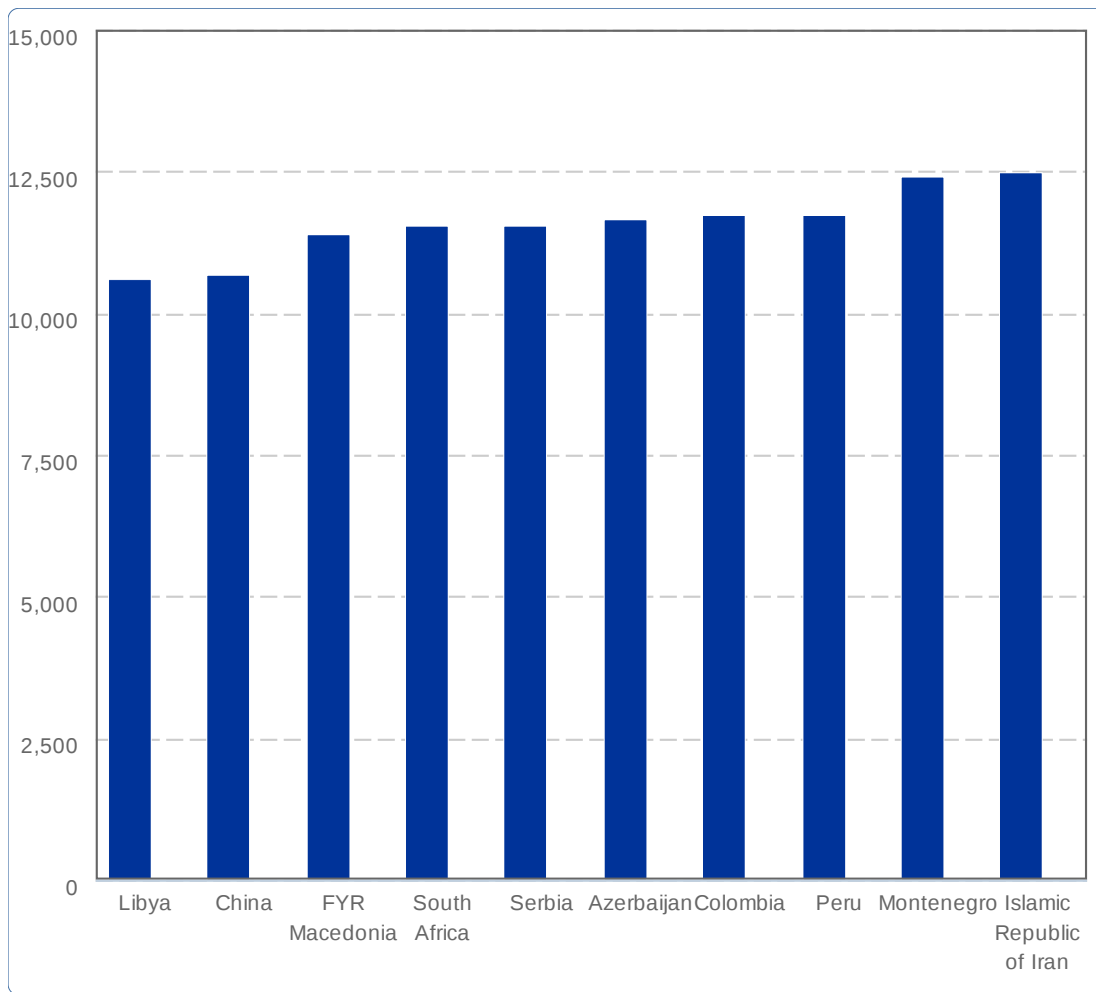


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## South Africa - Gross domestic product based on purchasing-power-parity (PPP) per capita GDP Current international dollar rankings

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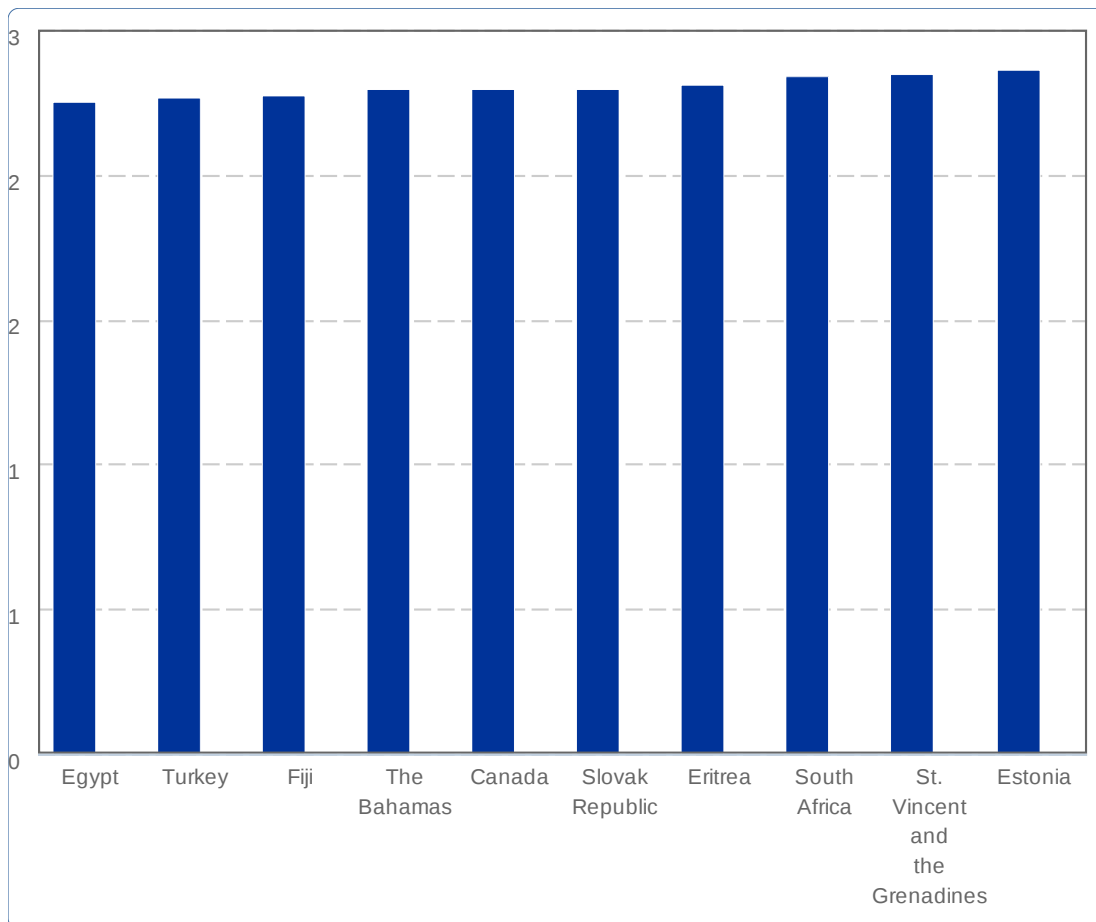


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## South Africa - Gross domestic product, constant prices Percent change rankings

■ Gross domestic product, constant prices Percent change 2014





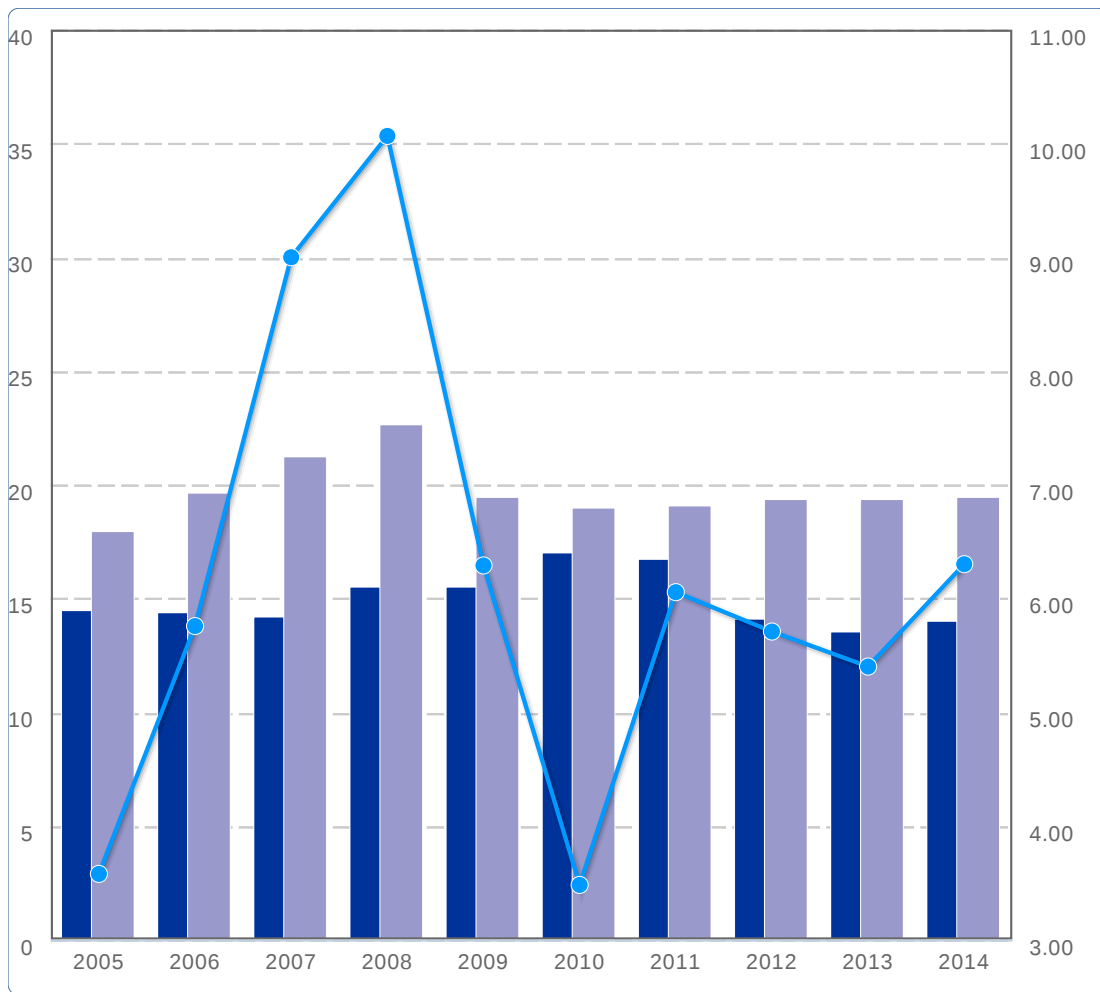
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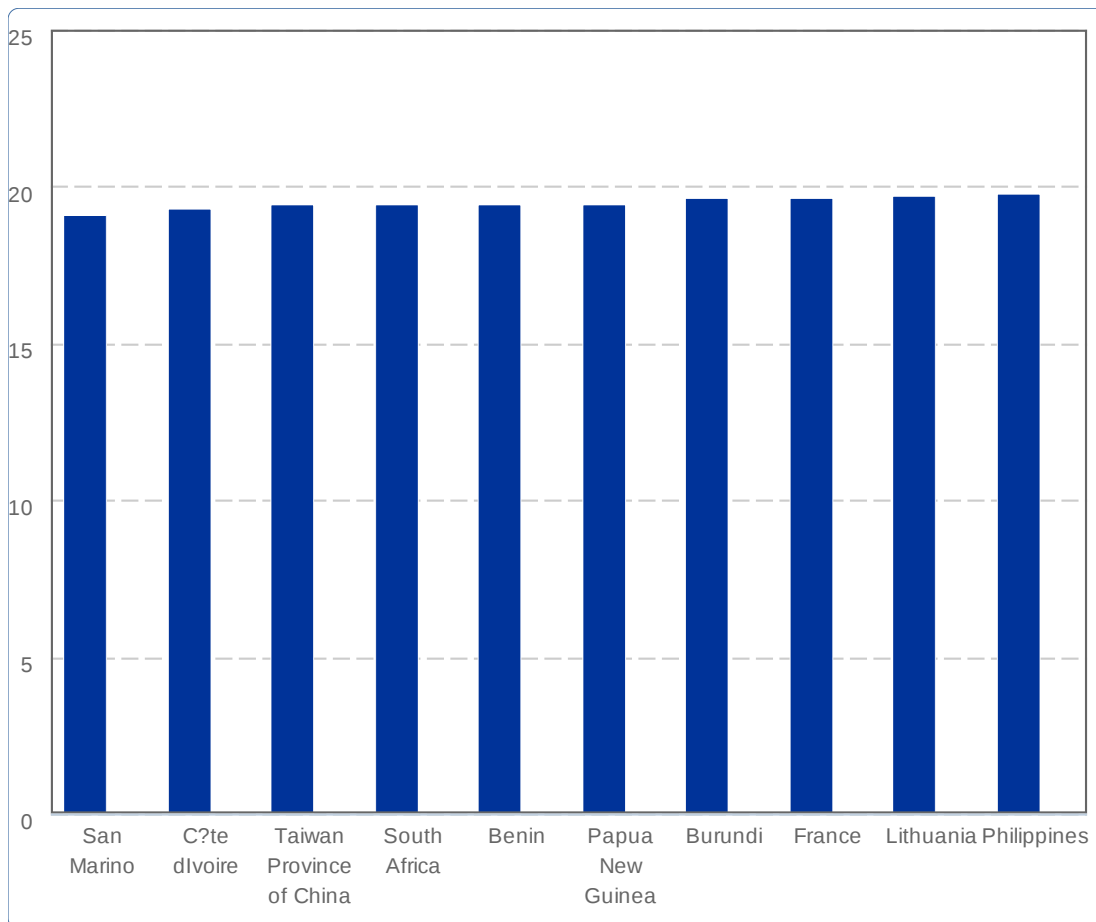
■ Savings Percent of GDP   ■ Investment Percent of GDP   ● Average Inflation



Source:IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - Total investment Percent of GDP rankings

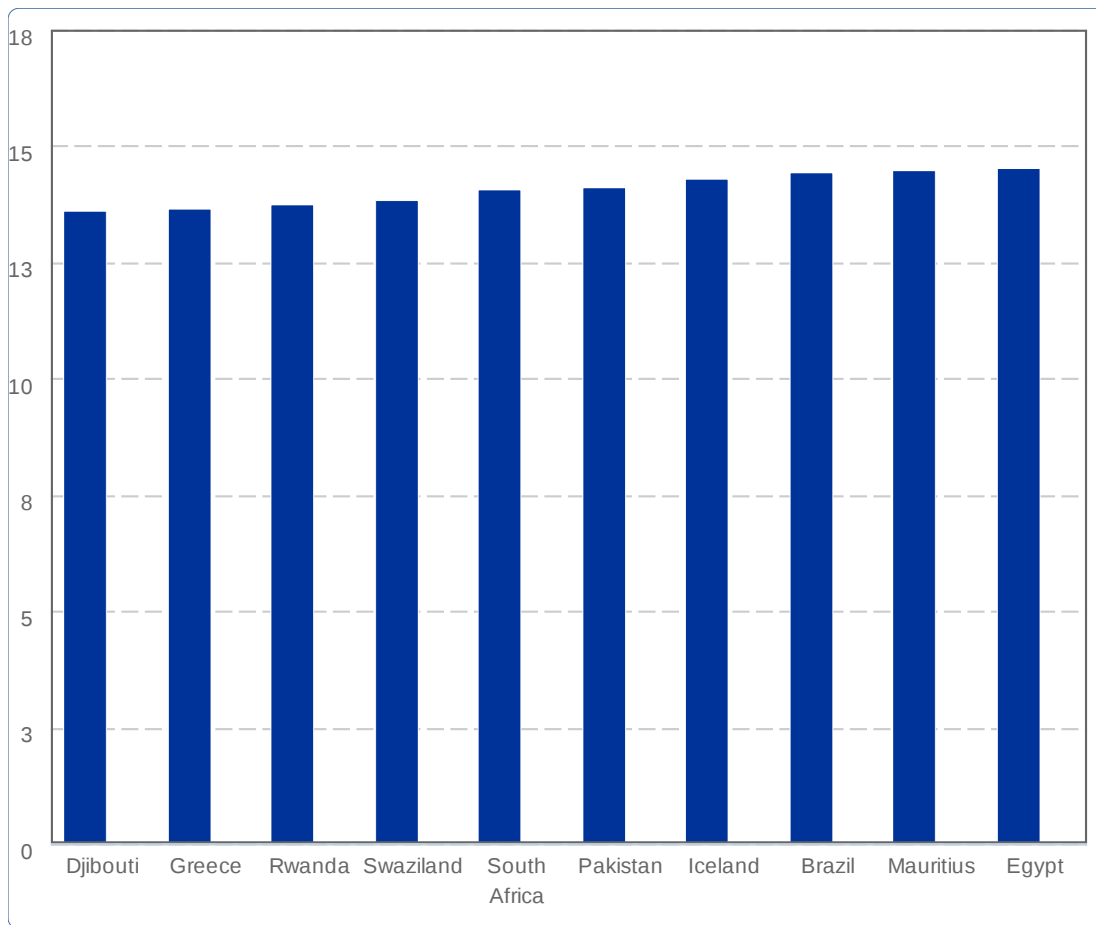
■ Total investment Percent of GDP 2014



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## South Africa - Gross national savings Percent of GDP rankings

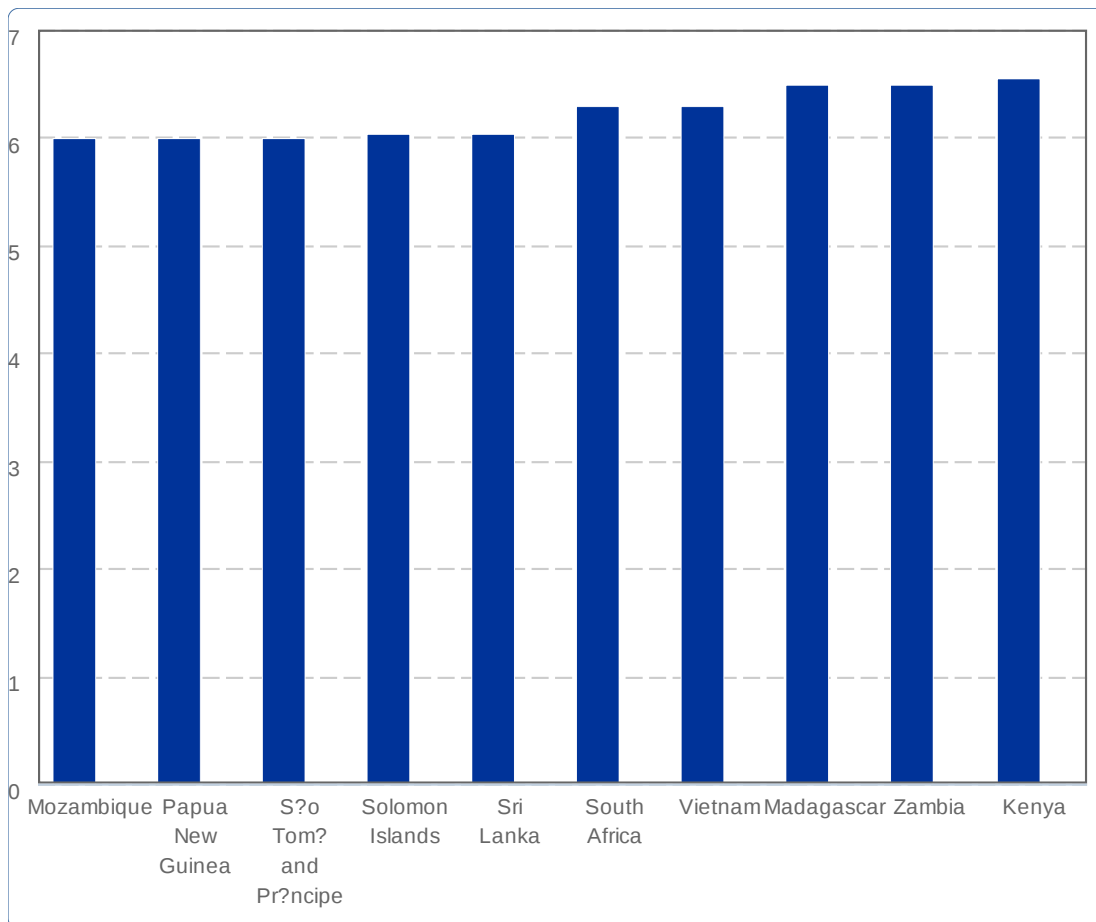
■ Gross national savings Percent of GDP 2014



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - Inflation, end of period consumer prices Percent change rankings

■ Inflation, end of period consumer prices Percent change 2014



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## Demographics

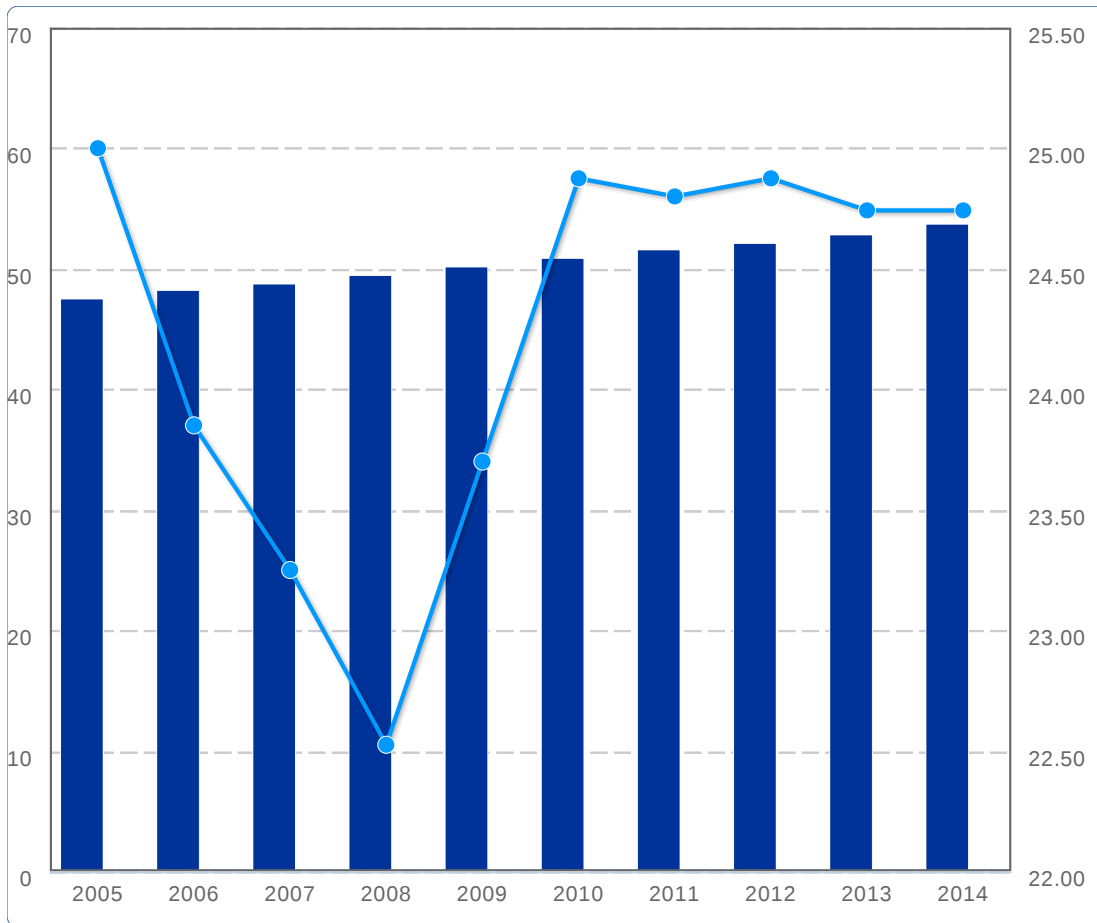
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■ Population Persons



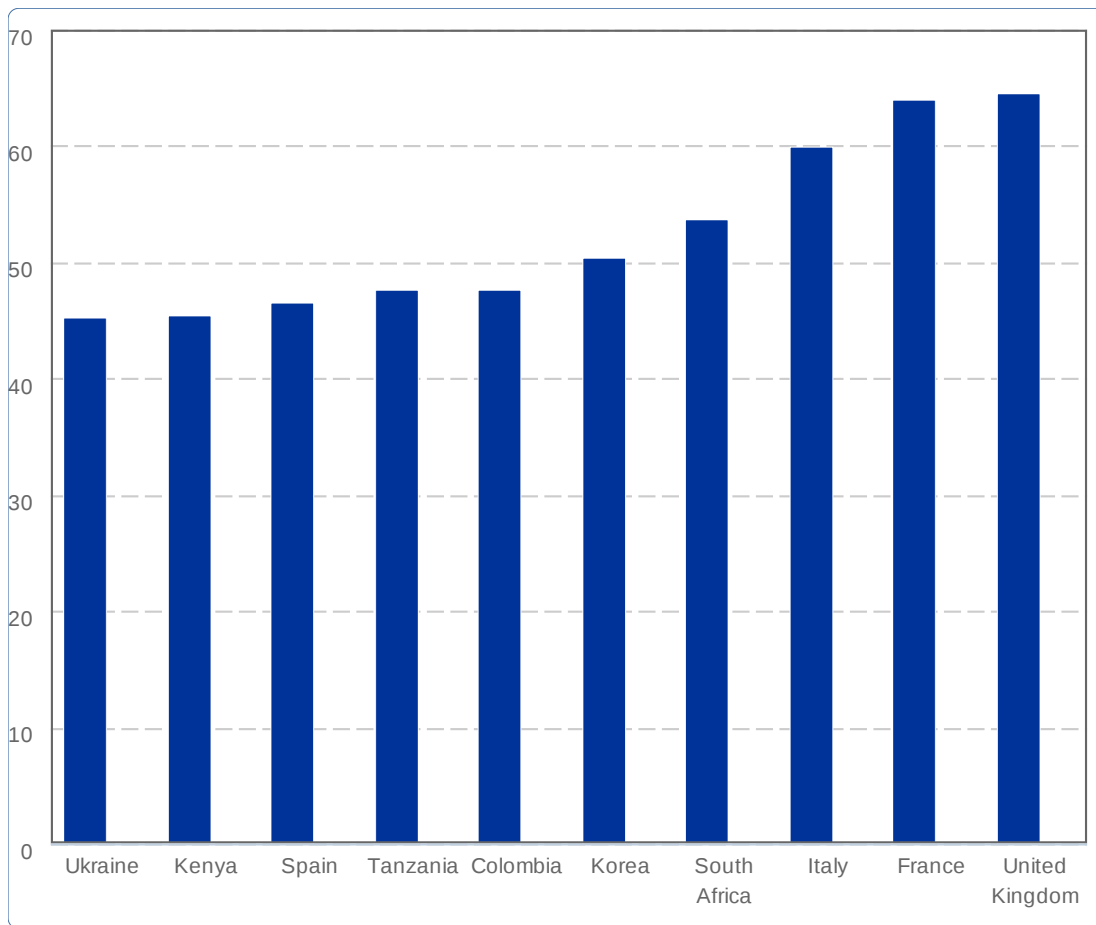
● Unemployment rate



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - Population Persons rankings

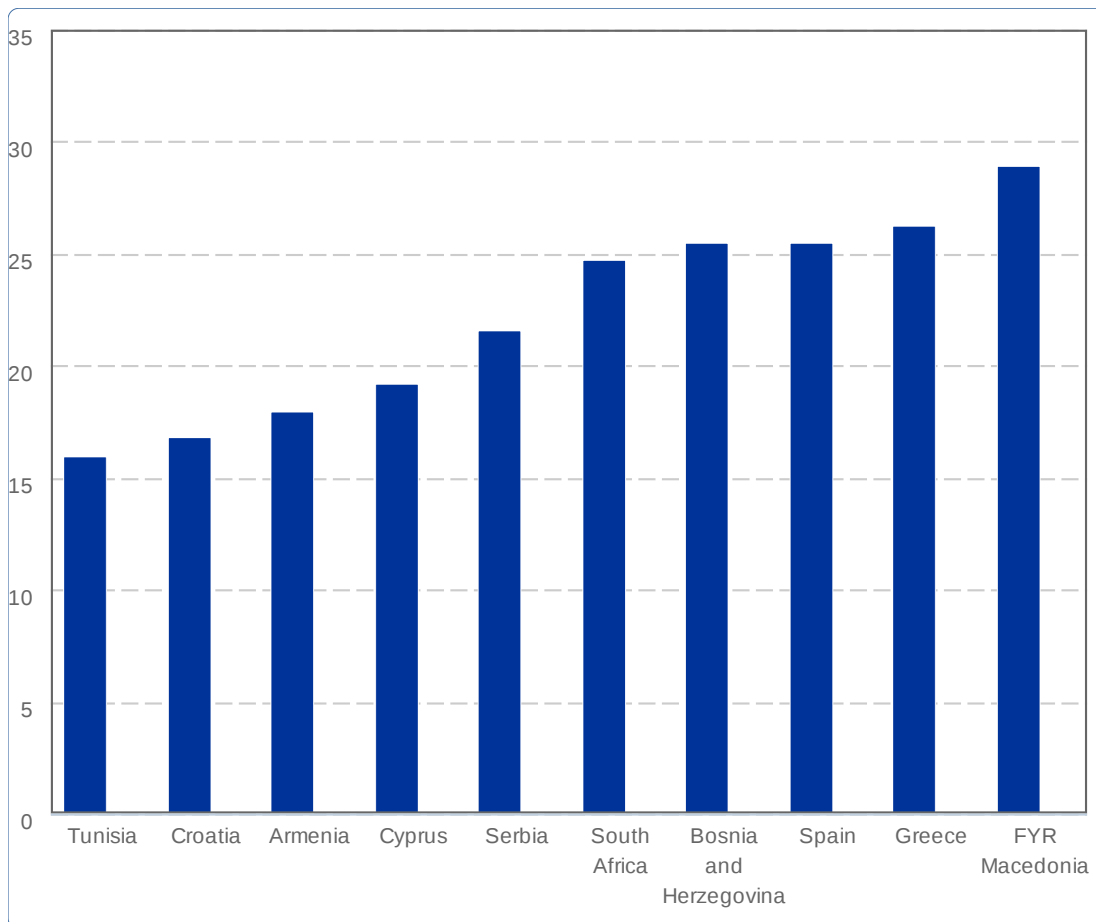
■ Population Persons 2014



Source: *IMF, Midlincoln*

## South Africa - Unemployment rate Percent of total labor force rankings

■ Unemployment rate Percent of total labor force 2014



Source:IMF, Midlincoln

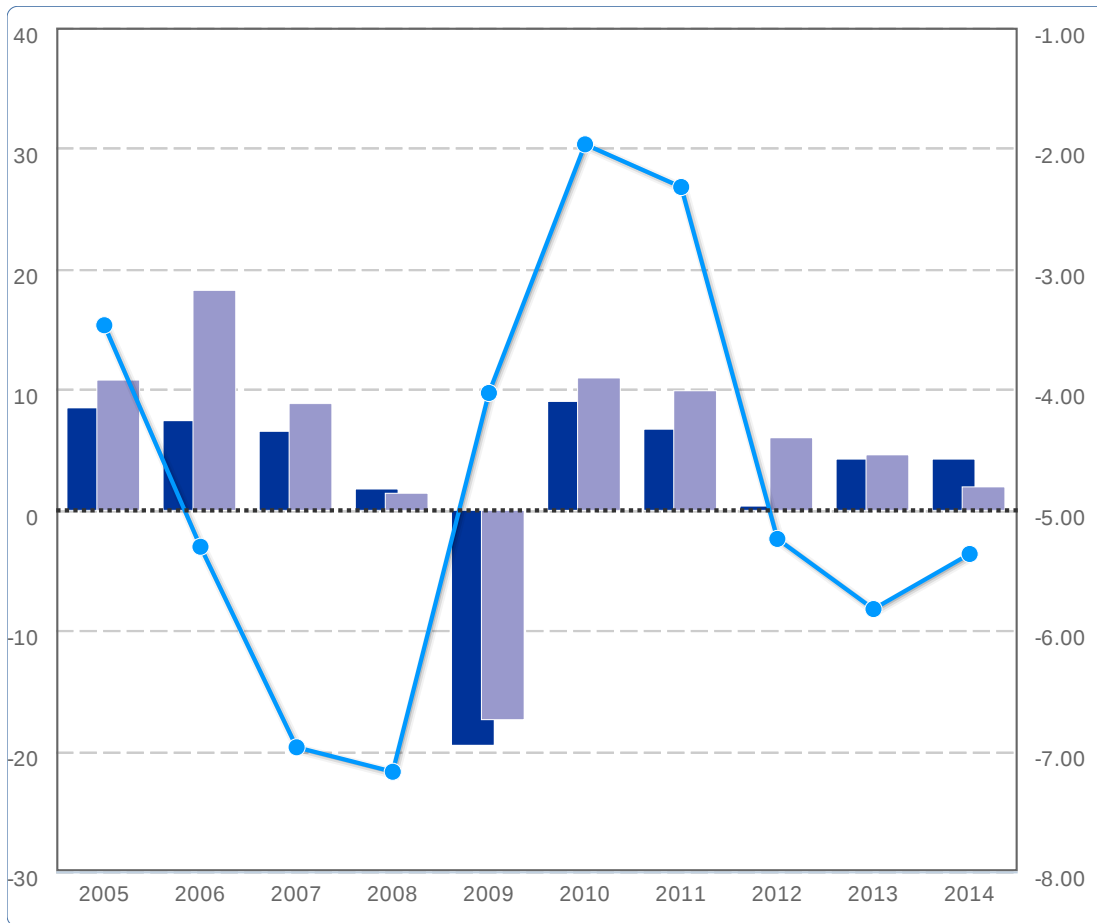
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■ Export growth%   ■ Imports growth%   ● Current Account % of GDP

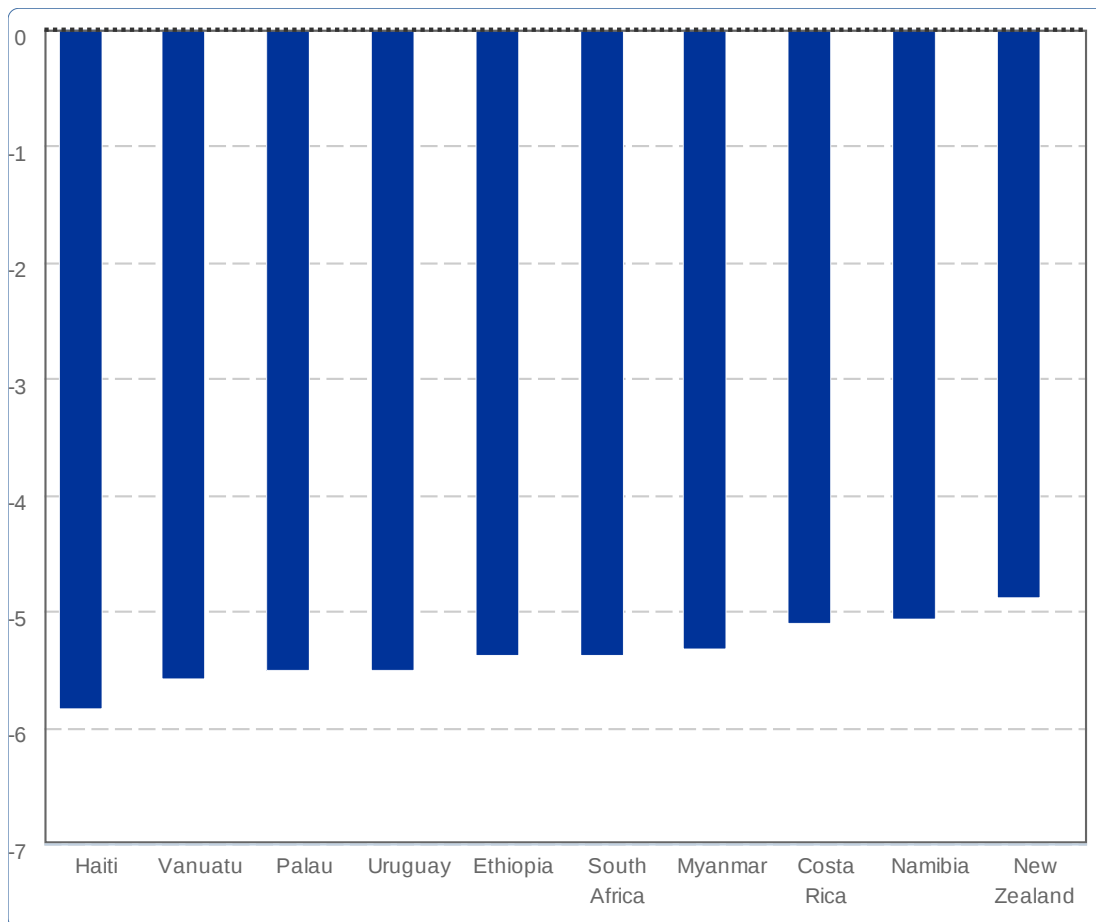




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## South Africa - Current account balance Percent of GDP rankings

■ Current account balance Percent of GDP 2014



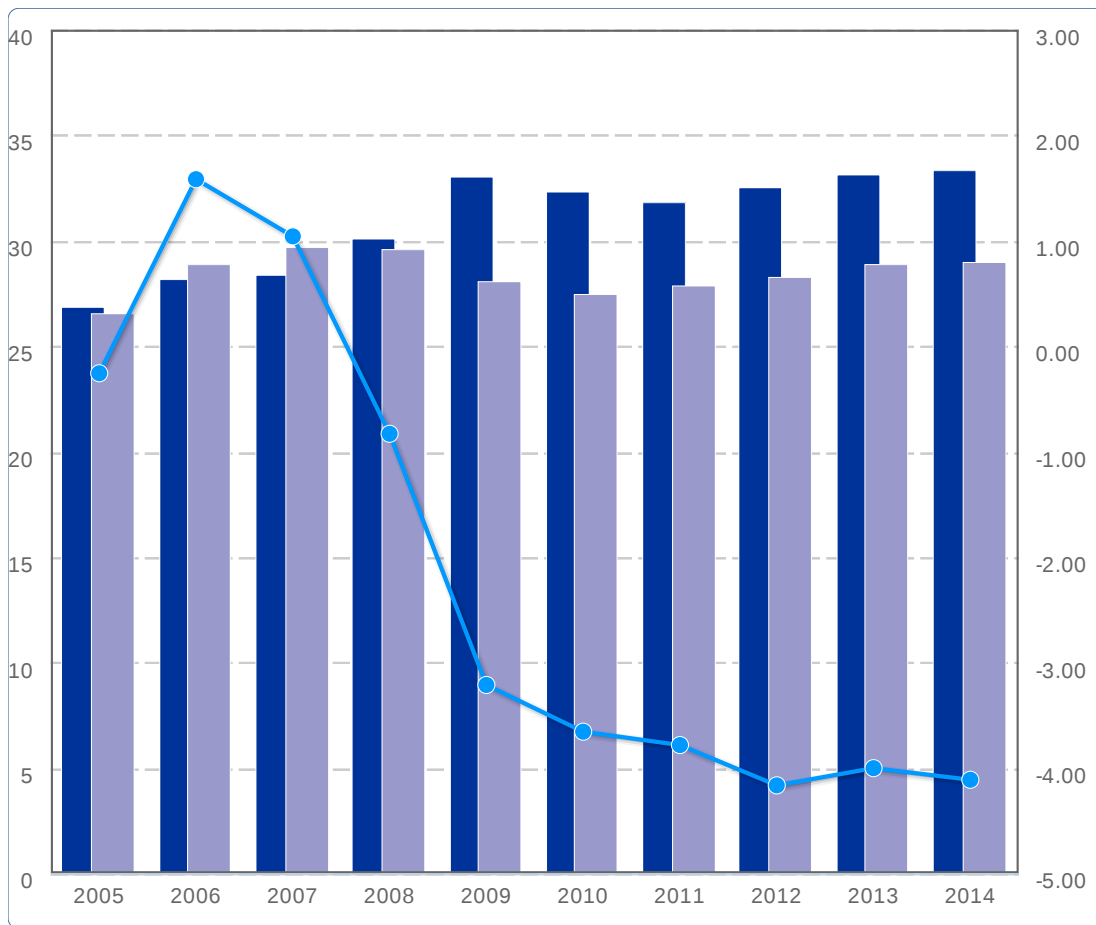
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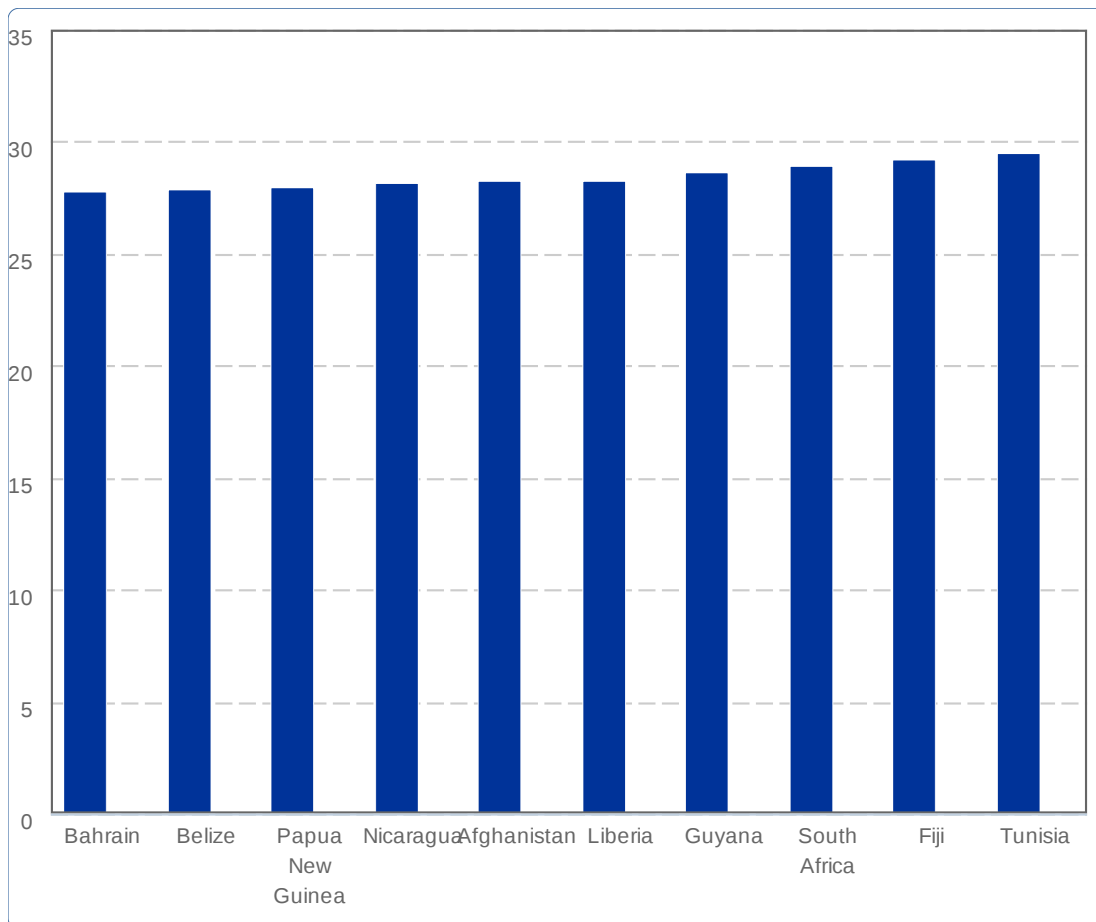
■ Public spending %   
 ■ Public revenue %   
 ● Budget Balance % GDP



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - General government revenue Percent of GDP rankings

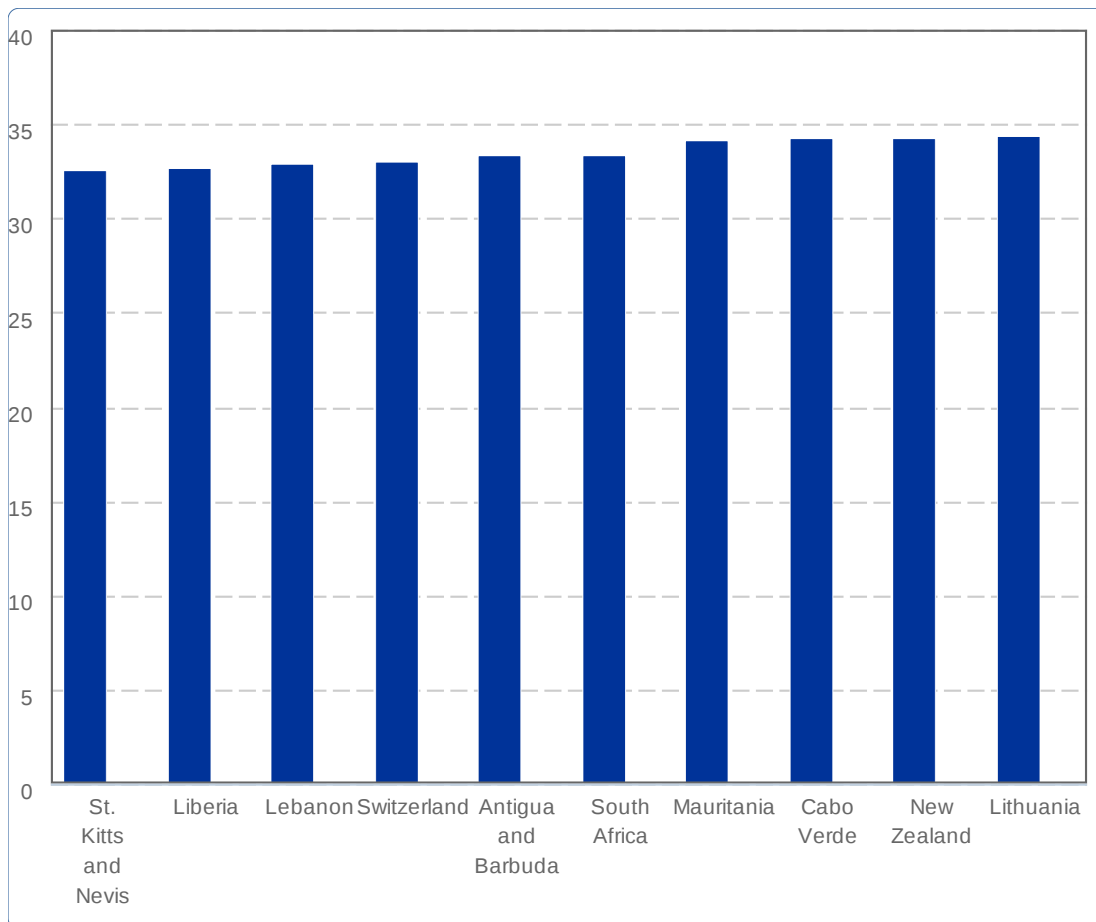
■ General government revenue Percent of GDP 2014



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - General government total expenditure Percent of GDP rankings

■ General government total expenditure Percent of GDP 2014



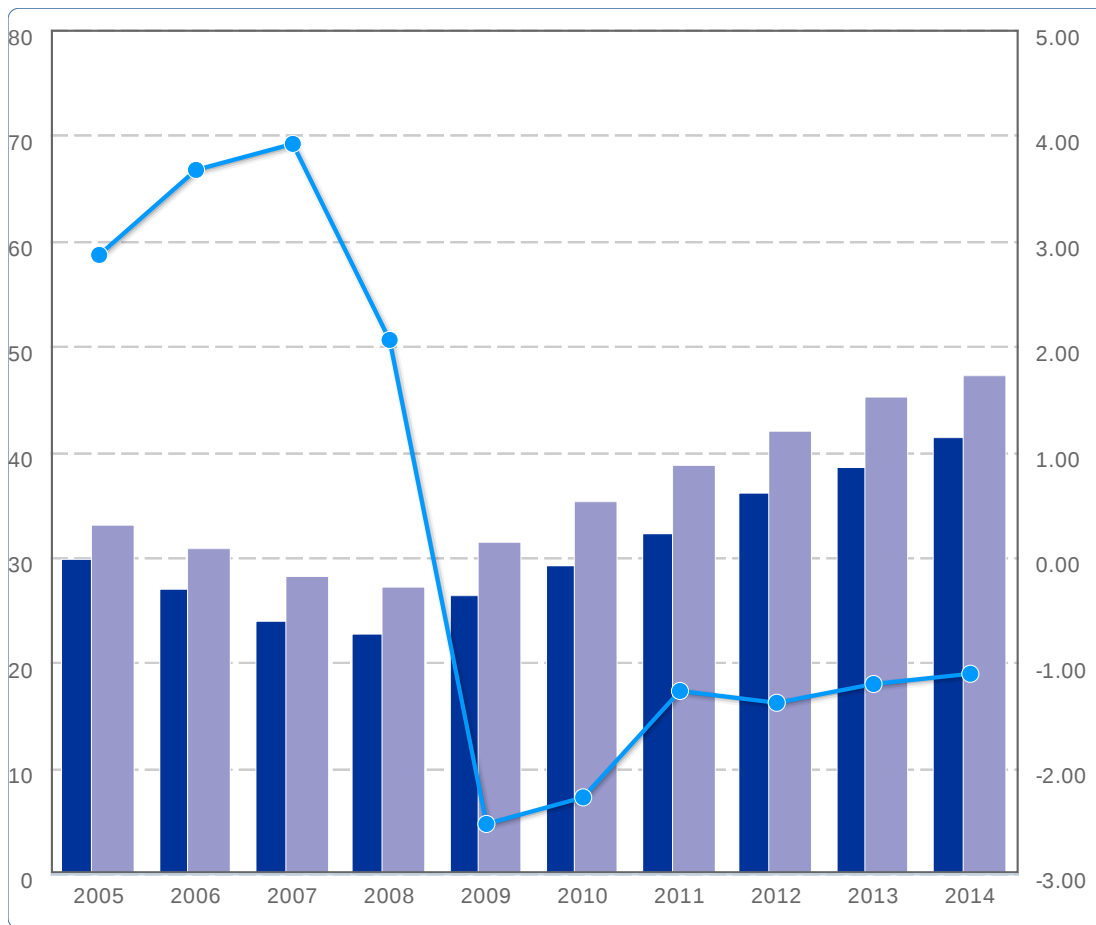
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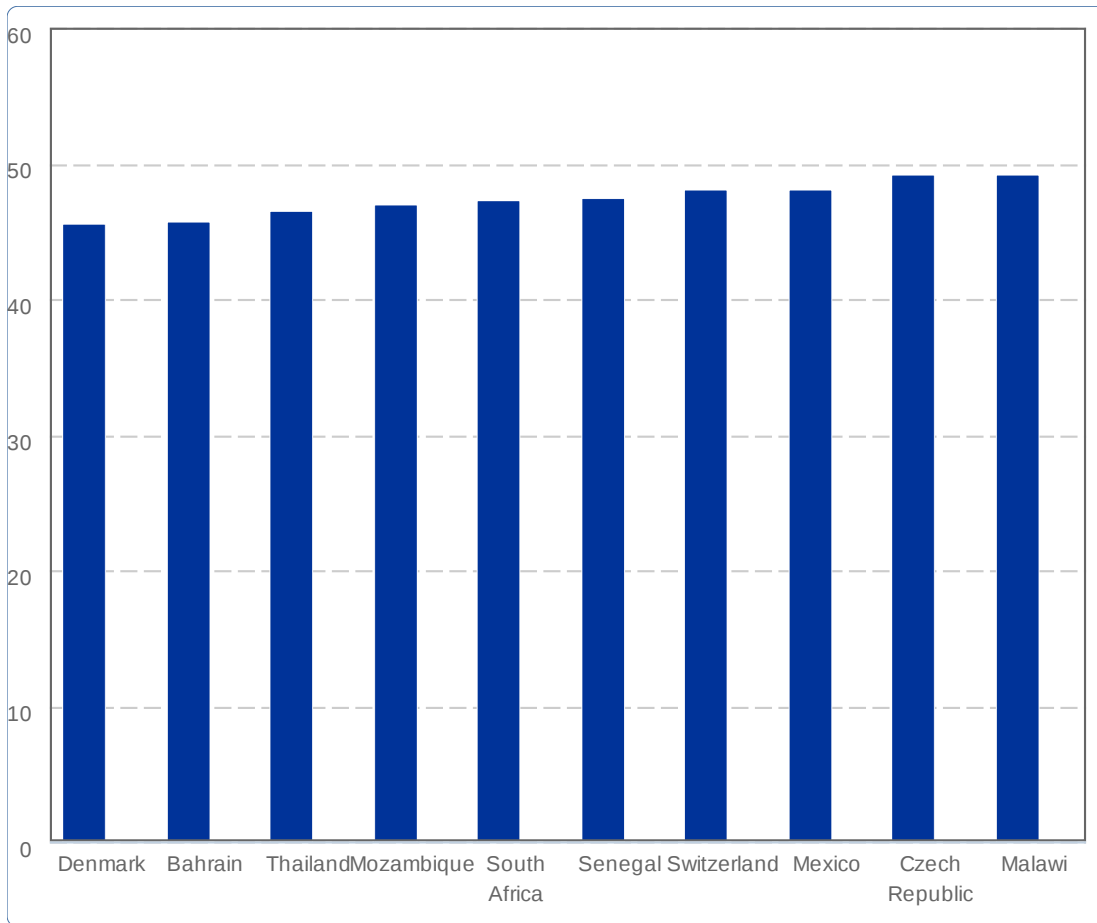
■ Net Debt % of GDP   
 ■ Govt Gross Debt % GDP   
 ● Primary Borrowing % GDP



Source: IMF, Midlincoln

## South Africa - General government gross debt Percent of GDP rankings

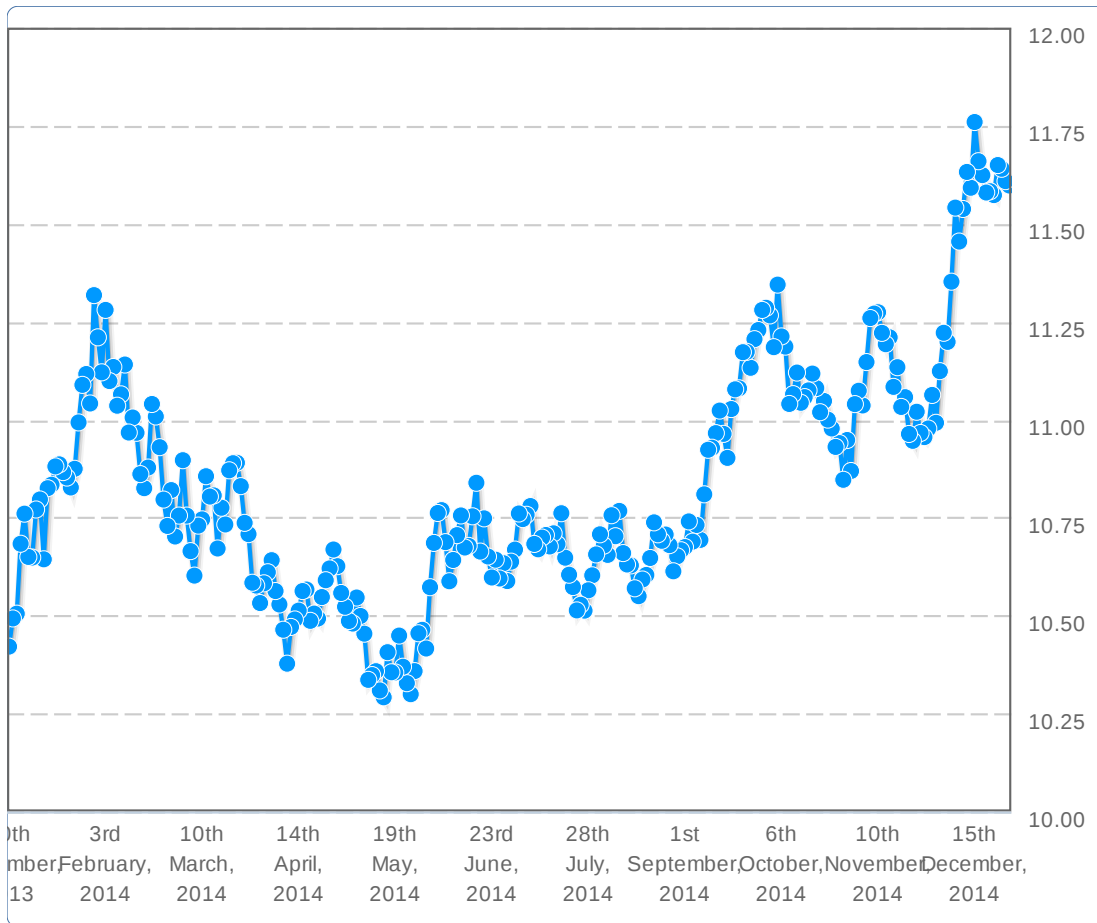
■ General government gross debt Percent of GDP 2014



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## USDZAR:CUR - 12 months performance



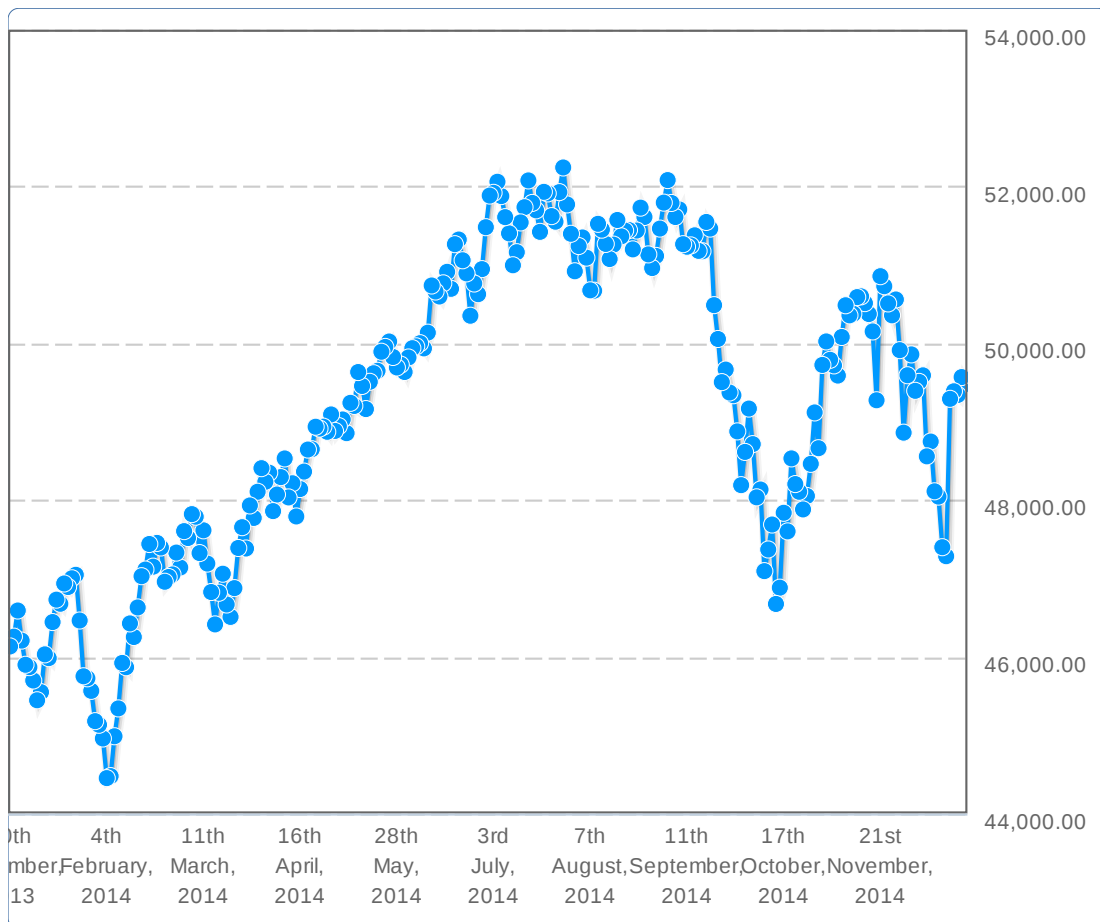


Source: *Midlincoln*

## JALSH:IND - 12 months performance







Source: Midlincoln

## Top Stock Picks -- Short/Long Ideas -- Performance Since Last Rebalancing Nov 10

### SA **PPC Ltd(Long) 3.91**

*PPC Limited is the holding company for a group of companies which manufacture and distribute cement, lime and limestone products throughout South Africa. The Group also manufactures and supplies paper sacks and containers for use in the cement and other industries. In addition, PPC has investments in businesses supplying cement based products.*

### SA **Spar Group Ltd/The(Long) 1.27**

*The Spar Group Limited is a wholesale distributor of goods and services to independently owned SPAR, TOPS and Build It stores. The Company is also involved in the management of voluntary*

trading groups.

SA **Foschini Group Ltd/The(Long) -6.11**

*The Foschini Group Ltd. is an investment holding company for a group of companies which operate chain stores that retail clothing, cosmetics, jewelry, accessories and sporting goods throughout southern Africa.*

SA **Redefine Properties Ltd(Long) 6.96**

*Redefine Properties Limited invests in property related investments. The Company invests in real estate through a property portfolio and an equity portfolio. The property portfolio is comprised of commercial properties located throughout South Africa. The equity portfolio is made of investments in property unit trusts and property loan stock companies listed on the JSE.*

SA **Truworths International Ltd(Long) -1.25**

*Truworths International Limited is a retailer of apparel and jewelry. The Group operates in southern Africa through the branded outlets: "Truworths Man", "Truworths Ladies", "Daniel Hechter", "Inwear", and "LTD".*

SA **Exxaro Resources Ltd(Short) 3.81**

*Exxaro Resources Limited mines and produces coal. The Company seeks to own interest in titanium and zinc mines as well.*

SA **Massmart Holdings Ltd(Short) 0.27**

*Massmart Holdings Limited distributes and retails general merchandise, food, and liquors to customers in southern Africa. The Group operates through five separate chains: Game, Dion, Makro, Shield, and CCW.*

SA **Assore Ltd(Short) 3.86**

*Assore Limited is a mining holding company with primary interests in base minerals and metals. The Group mines and produces iron ore, manganese ore, ferrochrome, and ferromanganese.*

SA **African Rainbow Minerals Ltd(Short) 2.98**

*African Rainbow Minerals Ltd. is a diversified South African mining company with long-life, low unit cost assets. The Company mines and beneficiates iron ore, manganese ore and alloys, platinum group metals, copper, nickel and coal. ARM also has an investment in gold.*

SA **AngloGold Ashanti Ltd(Short) -3.37**

*AngloGold Ashanti Limited is a holding company for a group of companies which explore for and mine gold internationally. The Group has operations in the Vaal River and West Witwatersrand areas of South Africa as well as Namibia, Mali, Brazil, Argentina, Australia, Tanzania and the United States.*