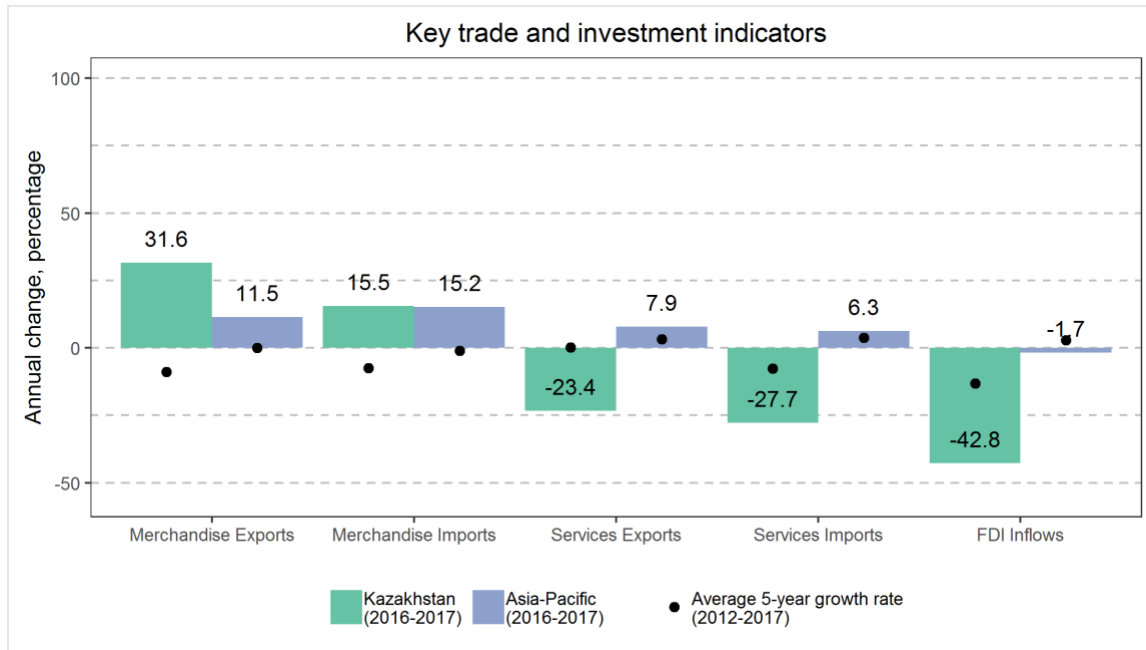




## Asia-Pacific Trade Briefs: Kazakhstan



### Merchandise Trade

Kazakhstan has a trade-to-GDP ratio of 56.58%. Merchandise trade accounted for 86.1% of Kazakhstan's total trade in 2017. Kazakhstan's merchandise exports declined by 8.8% on average during 2012-2017, lower than the Asia-Pacific average of 0% during the same time period. In 2017, Kazakhstan's merchandise exports grew by 31.6%, while in the Asia-Pacific region they increased by 11.5% in the same year. Meanwhile, Kazakhstan's merchandise imports decreased by 7.4% on average during 2012-2017, and recorded an increase of 15.5% between 2016 and 2017.

### Services Trade

In 2017, Kazakhstan's commercial services' shares of total exports and imports were 8.8% and 21.2%, respectively. Commercial services exports grew by 0.3% on average during 2012-2017, lower than the Asia-Pacific average of 3.2% during the same time period. In 2017, Kazakhstan's commercial services exports declined by 23.4%, while in Asia-Pacific region they increased by 7.9%. Meanwhile, Kazakhstan's commercial services imports decreased by 7.6% on average during the 2012-2017 period, recording a growth rate of 27.7% from 2016 to 2017.

### Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

Kazakhstan recorded an average annual FDI inflows decline of 13.1% from 2012 to 2017, smaller than the Asia and the Pacific's 2.9% average annual FDI inflow growth. At the same time, Kazakhstan experienced a decline in FDI inflows by 42.8% in 2017. In terms of FDI outflows, Kazakhstan had an average annual FDI outflows



decline of 9.4% in the last five years, smaller than the Asia and the Pacific's 3.5% average annual FDI outflow growth. In 2017, Kazakhstan experienced a decline in FDI outflows by 115.1%.

### **Top Trade Partners**

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In 2017, the largest trade partner of Kazakhstan was Russian Federation, representing 9.3% of its exports and 38.9% of its imports. 11.9% of Kazakhstan's exports and 16.1% of Kazakhstan's imports by value were traded with China, its second largest trade partner. Other significant trade partners were Italy, Netherlands, France, Switzerland, Uzbekistan, Germany, Turkey, and United States.

### **Top Traded Products**

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The largest product category exported by Kazakhstan in 2017 was "Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals; crude" (2709), with an export share of 55% of total exports, followed by the second most exported product category, "Copper; refined and copper alloys, unwrought" (7403), which accounted for 4.8% of Kazakhstan's total exports. In terms of imports, "Petroleum oils and oils from bituminous minerals, not crude; preparations n.e.c, containing by weight 70% or more of petroleum oils or oils from bituminous minerals; these being the basic constituents of the preparations; waste oils" (2710) represented 3.5% of total imports, standing out the top imported product category. Meanwhile, "Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks; other apparatus for the transmission or reception of voice, images or other data (including wired/wireless networks), excluding items of 8443, 8525, 8527, or 8528" (8517) had a share of 4.8%, the second largest imported product category in Kazakhstan in 2017.

### **Tariffs**

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In 2017, average MFN applied and effectively applied tariffs in Kazakhstan were 6.25% and 6.01%, respectively - lower than the averages for the Asia-Pacific economies of 7.46% and 6.91%, respectively. Average MFN bound tariff rate of 6.09% was lower than the Asia-Pacific average of 26.35%. Kazakhstan acceded to the WTO on 30 November 2015. Currently, 100% of Kazakhstan's tariff lines are bound.

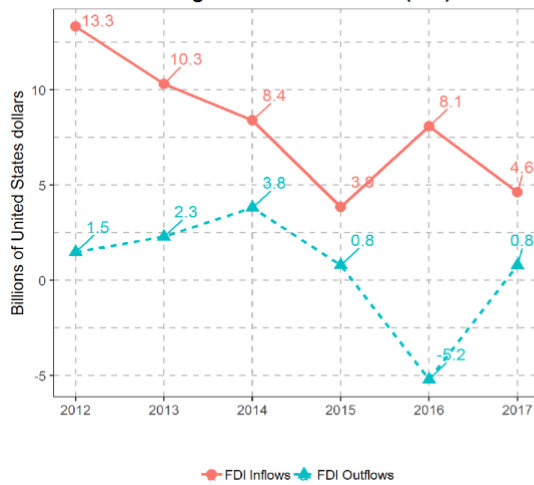
### **Trade Costs**

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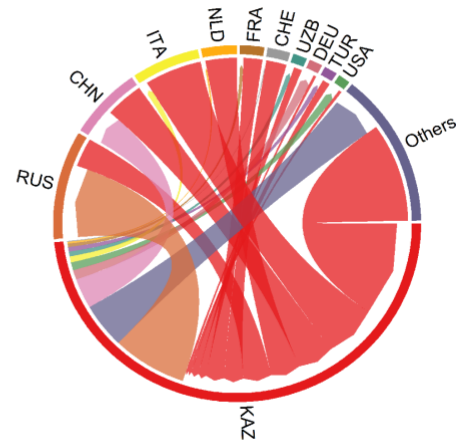
Kazakhstan's average trade costs with major trading economies in the region, are presented in the graph below. Trade costs in Kazakhstan remained higher compared with the most efficient traders in Asia and the Pacific.



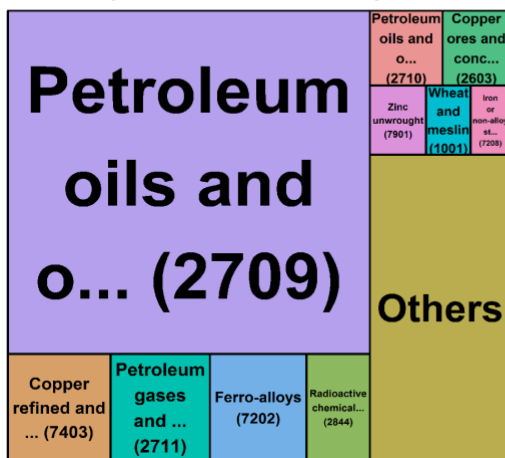
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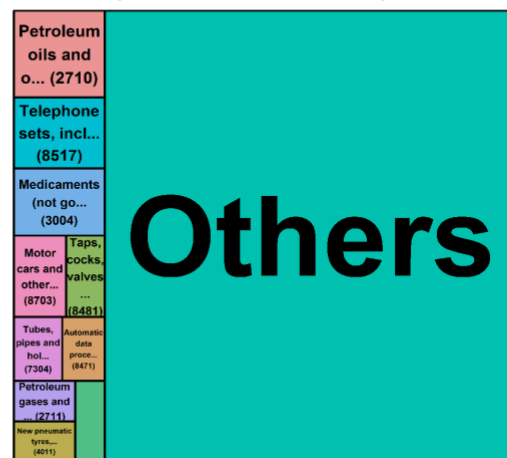
Top 10 trade partners, 2017



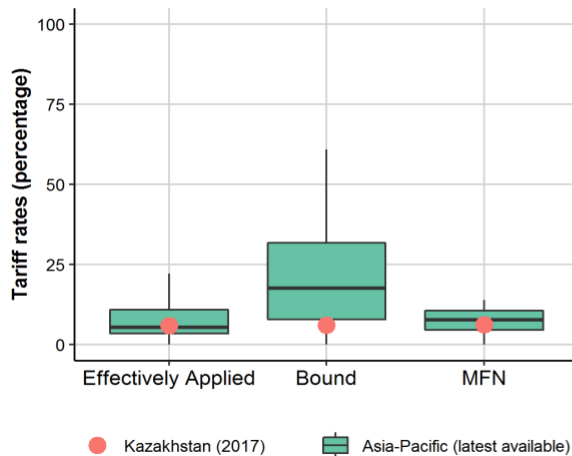
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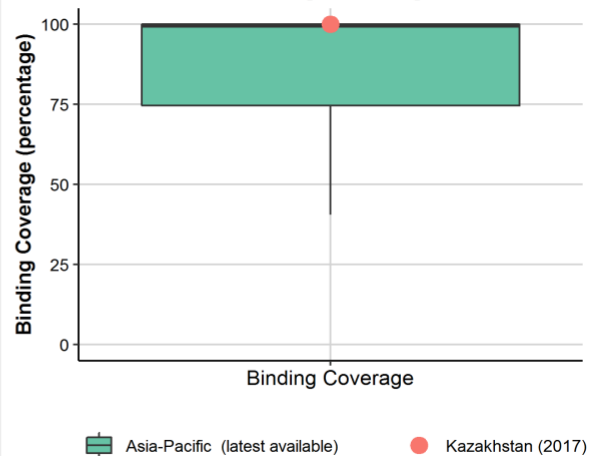
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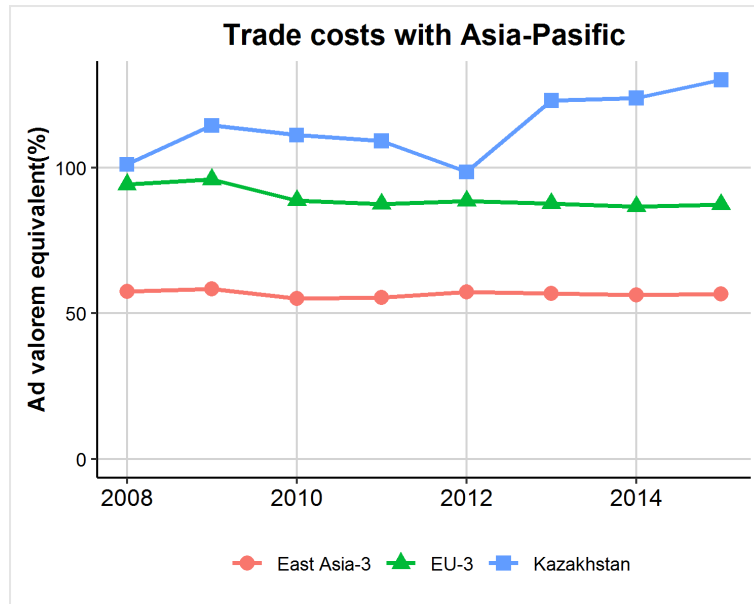


Import Tariffs



Binding coverage





## Trade Agreements

Kazakhstan has 16 trade agreements in force, 0 signed agreements pending ratification, and 2 trade agreements under negotiation. Of the economy's total exports, 21.9% are directed to its trade agreement partners, while 51% of its total imports come from trade agreement partners.

Title	Status	Year in force	Share of total exports (%)	Share of total imports (%)
Kazakhstan-Kyrgyzstan	in force	1995	1.01	0.85
Kazakhstan-Republic of Moldova	in force	1996	0.06	0.05
Kazakhstan-Russian Federation-Belarus	in force	1997	9.45	40.63
Kazakhstan-Uzbekistan	in force	1997	2.58	2.52
Tajikistan-Kazakhstan	in force	1997	0.95	1.09
Kazakhstan-Ukraine	in force	1998	2.35	1.59
Azerbaijan-Kazakhstan	in force	1999	0.22	0.12

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