

# Economy

**Overview:** Monaco, situated on the French Mediterranean coast, is a popular resort, attracting tourists to its casino and pleasant climate. The Principality has successfully sought to diversify into services and small, high-value-added, nonpolluting industries. The state has no income tax and low business taxes and thrives as a tax haven both for individuals who have established residence and for foreign companies that have set up businesses and offices. About 50% of Monaco's annual revenue comes from value-added taxes on hotels, banks, and the industrial sector; about 25% of revenue comes from tourism. Living standards are high, that is, roughly comparable to those in prosperous French metropolitan suburbs.

**National product:** GDP - purchasing power parity - \$558 million (1993 est.)

**National product real growth rate:** NA%

**National product per capita:** \$18,000 (1993 est.)

**Inflation rate (consumer prices):** NA%

**Unemployment rate:** NEGL%

## **Budget:**

*revenues:* \$424 million

*expenditures:* \$376 million, including capital expenditures of \$NA (1991 est.)

**Exports:** \$NA; full customs integration with France, which collects and rebates Monacan trade duties; also participates in EU market system through customs union with France

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**External debt:** \$NA

**Industrial production:** growth rate NA%

## **Electricity:**

*capacity:* 10,000 kW standby; power imported from France

*production:* NA kWh

*consumption per capita:* NA kWh (1993)

**Agriculture:** none

**Economic aid:** \$NA

**Currency:** 1 French franc (F) = 100 centimes

**Exchange rates:** French francs (F) per US\$1 - 5.9243 (January 1995), 5.520 (1994), 5.6632 (1993), 5.2938 (1992), 5.6421 (1991), 5.4453 (1990)

**Fiscal year:** calendar year

