



United Republic of Tanzania

PRESS RELEASE

**THE SECOND QUARTER GROSS DOMESTIC
PRODUCT
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1.0 Introduction

The Quarterly Gross Domestic Product (QGDP) reports provide up-to-date information, on quarterly basis to national accounts stakeholders, for monitoring economic cycles in short intervals. The Second QGDP report is for the period of April to June, 2014.

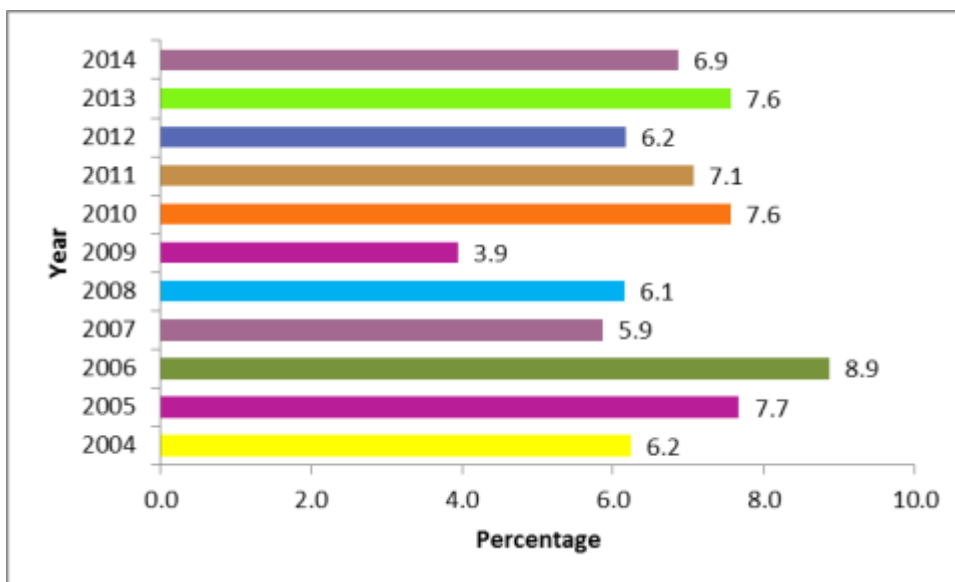
The information used in the compilation of the Second QGDP are for goods and services produced in the country during the period of April – June, 2014. The compilation of Quarterly Gross Domestic Product follows the United Nations System of National Accounts (SNA).

1.1 Economic Performance

The Second Quarter Gross Domestic Product at market price increased at the growth rate of 6.9 percent during the period of April – June, 2014 compared to the growth rate of 7.6 percent recorded in the reference quarter in 2013 (**Chart No. 1**).

In absolute terms, the QGDP for the quarter under review was 5,402,531 million shillings in 2014 compared to 5,055,349 million shillings in 2013.

Chart No. 1: Growth Rates for the Second Quarter GDP 2004 - 2014



2.0 The Economic Performance by Activity

The performance of quarterly GDP by kind of economic activity for the second quarter, 2014 are presented as follows:

2.1 Agriculture and Fishing Activity

The agriculture activity registered the growth rate of 5.4 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to 4.9 percent registered in the similar quarter of 2013. During the period under review, crops recorded the growth rate of 6.5 percent in 2014 compared to 5.3 percent in 2013; Livestock recorded the growth rate of 0.9 percent in 2014 compared to 3.8 in 2013; Forestry and Hunting recorded the growth rate of 0.8 in 2014 compared to 3.2 percent in 2013. During the period under review, there was favourable weather for crop production, in areas potential for crop production, and the government effort of providing subsidized farm inputs and extension services to farmers.

Fishing activity has recorded a growth rate of 2.1 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to the growth rate of 2.5 percent recorded in the second quarter of 2013. The growth rate was attributed to increased fish catch to meet domestic and international markets.

2.2 Industry and Construction Activity

The Mining and Quarrying activity recorded a growth rate of 3.0 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to a negative growth rate of 6.2 percent in the similar quarter of 2013. The growth rate was mainly attributed to increased diamond and Tanzanite production during the period in 2014 compared to the Second quarter of 2013. However, gold production slightly decreased during the period under review.

Manufacturing activity recorded the growth rate of 7.0 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to 6.6 percent in 2013. The growth was attributed to increased processing and preservation of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, oil and fats.

Other contributing sub-activities include manufacture of other food products, textiles and cement production.

Electricity generation and water supply activity increased by 7.7 percent in the Second quarter of 2014 compared to 5.0 percent in the corresponding quarter of 2013. The growth rate was attributed to the increase in electricity generated from thermal and gas plants.

2.3 Service Activity

Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles, Personal and Household Goods recorded the growth rate of 7.1 percent in the second quarter of 2014 compared to 6.6 percent recorded in the second quarter of 2013. Real Estates and Business Services activity recorded the growth rate of 6.5 percent in the period under review compared to 4.7 percent in 2013.

During the period under review, Transport and Communication activity increased by 16.8; Hotels and Restaurants increased by 4.0 percent; Public Administration increased by 4.8 percent; Education increased by 6.3 percent and Health and Other Services increased by 4.8 percent.

3.0 Conclusion

The Second Quarter Gross Domestic Product compilation used information on goods and services produced during the period of April to June in 2014; recording the growth rate of 6.9 percent in 2014 compared to 7.6 percent recorded in 2013.