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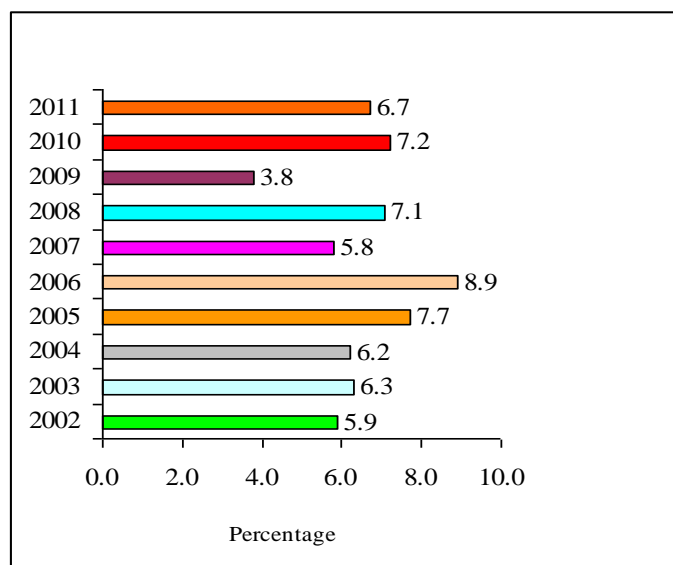
QUARTERLY GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) SECOND QUARTER 2011

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The National Bureau of Statistics under the Ministry of Finance compiles Quarterly Gross Domestic Product so as to provide National Accounts Statistics stakeholders with up-to-date information, on quarterly basis, for monitoring economic cycles and short term changes in the economy.

The Real Gross Domestic Product at market prices for Tanzania economy has increased at a growth rate of 6.7 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to growth rate of 7.2 percent in the second quarter of 2010. In absolute terms, the QGDP for the quarter under review was 4,425,551 million shillings in 2011 compared to 4,149,480 million shillings in 2010.

Growth Rates for the Second Quarter, 2002-2011



Agriculture and Fishing Activities Performance

The agriculture activity registered a growth rate of 3.5 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to 2.9 percent in the same quarter of 2010. During the period under review, there was enough rainfall especially in the regions that are potential in the crop production such as Rukwa and Ruvuma. Also, farmers responsive to the agriculture extension officer's advise in the choice of type of seed to use.

Fishing activity recorded a growth rate of 0.7 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to 1.9 percent in the corresponding quarter of 2010. The growth rate was mainly attributed to small increase in demand for fish and fish products both at local and foreign markets.

Industry and Construction Activity Performance

The Mining and Quarrying activity recorded a growth rate of 5.8 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to a growth rate of 20.5 percent in the second quarter of 2010. The growth rate was due to slight increase in Gold, Diamond and Tanzanite production for the second quarter of the year 2011.

Manufacturing activity recorded a growth rate of 6.2 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to 7.5 percent in 2010. The decline by 1.3 per cent was due to unreliable electricity power supply in the country which also affected manufacturing establishments.

Electricity activity increased by 3.1 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to 10.0 percent in the corresponding quarter of 2010. The decline by 6.9 per cent was due to shortage of rainfall especially in the hydro dam catchment's areas and the servicing of the gas turbines during the period.

The Services Industries Performance

Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles, Personal and Household Goods recorded a growth of 6.0 percent in the second quarter of 2011 compared to 9.6 percent in the second quarter of 2010. The decline by 3.6 per cent was due the slight increase in traded domestic manufactured goods and imports of merchandized goods in the period under review. Real Estates and Business Services activity recorded a growth rate of 6.3 percent.

Transport and Communication activity recorded a growth rate of 12.7 during the period under review. Others are Hotels & Restaurants increased by 2.4 percent; Public Administration 5.8 percent, Education 6.7 per cent, Other Services, Health, community and personnel services 4.1 percent during the period under review.

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