


Overseas Market Information
Morocco (...continued from previous issue)

India's Total Trade with Morocco
All Commodities

(Value in Rs. Lac)

S.No.	Subject	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012
1	Export	83,745.29	110,544.19	118,656.44	144,923.07	178,911.73
2	Import	200,747.26	429,263.55	408,294.01	384,221.35	790,122.19
3	Total Trade	284,492.55	539,807.74	526,950.45	529,144.42	969,033.93

(Value in US \$ Million)

S.No.	Subject	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012
1	Export	208.43	242.85	250.47	318.57	372.1
2	Import	499.4	948.15	861.51	839.64	1,635.33
3	Total Trade	707.83	1,191.00	1,111.98	1,158.21	2,007.44

(Source: Website of Department of Commerce, Govt. of India)

Engineering Export to Morocco (Principal Commodities)

(Provisional Figures : Value in Million Dollar)

Commodity Name	April 2010 - March 2011	April 2011 - March 2012
Ferro Alloys	0.17	0.72
Non-ferrous Metals	0.58	0.98
Manufactures of Metals	9.47	12.32
Machine Tools	0.35	0.28
Machinery and Instruments	22.58	24.48
Transport Equipments	37.10	52.31
Residual Engineering Items	Ton 0.07	0.05
Iron & Steel Bar/Rod etc. & Ferro Alloy	Ton 2.09	2.38
Primary & Semi-finished Iron & Steel	0.19	0.13
Total	72.6	93.65

Engineering Import from Morocco (Principal Commodities)

(Provisional Figures : Value in Million Dollar)

Commodity Name	April 2010 - March 2011	April 2011 - March 2012
Iron & Steel	0.19	0.99
Non-ferrous Metals	1.01	1.12
Manufactures of Metals		0.66
Machine Tools	0.06	0.06
Machinery except Electrical & Electronic	0.50	0.70
Electrical Machinery except Electronic	0.10	0.47
Transport Equipments	0.04	0.41
Professional Instruments, etc. except Electronic	0.02	0.68
Primary Steel, Pig Iron based items		0.12
Total	1.92	5.21



Investing in Morocco

FDI in figures

In recent years, Moroccan authorities have attracted a relatively consistent flow of foreign capital, mainly relying on the national privatization program, the conversion of foreign debt into investments and operations of public service concession. Other sectors have taken over, including banking, tourism, energy, industry. However, the level of FDI remains modest and could make a stronger contribution to the country's economic takeoff.

After a decline in 2009 due to the global recession, FDI flows to Morocco dried up in 2011 (-35% compared to 2010), in the context of the Euro zone crisis and the revolutions of the "Arab Spring". France, Saudi Arabia and Spain are the three main investors. FDI is concentrated mainly in the real estate sector, followed by industry and tourism. The country's stability should however prove attractive to investors. In addition, a vast project of economic modernization has been launched to boost FDI. Casablanca in particular, aims to become an international financial center.

Country Comparison for the Protection of Investors

	Morocco	Middle East & North Africa	USA	Germany
Index of Transaction Transparency*	7.0	6.3	7.0	5.0
Index of Manager's Responsibility**	2.0	4.6	9.0	5.0
Index of Shareholders' Power***	1.0	3.4	9.0	5.0
Index of Investor Protection****	3.3	4.8	8.3	5.0

(Source: Doing Business - Last Available Data)

Note: *The Greater the Index, the More Transparent the Conditions of Transactions. **The Greater the Index, the More the Manager is Personally Responsible. *** The Greater the Index, the Easier it Will Be For Shareholders to Take Legal Action. **** The Greater the Index, the Higher the Level of Investor Protection.

Foreign Direct Investment	2009	2010	2011
FDI Inward Flow (million USD)	1,952	1,304	-
FDI Stock (million USD)	40,719	42,023	-
Performance Index*, Ranking on 181 Economies	108	109	96

Foreign Direct Investment	2009	2010	2011
Potential Index**, Ranking on 177 Economies	-	-	69
Number of Greenfield Investments***	14	4	5
FDI Inwards (in % of GFCF****)	6.7	4.8	8.3
FDI Stock (in % of GDP)	46.6	49.2	46.2

(Source: UNCTAD - Last Available Data)

Note: * The UNCTAD Inward FDI Performance Index is Based on a Ratio of the Country's Share in Global FDI Inflows and its Share in Global GDP. ** The UNCTAD Inward FDI Potential Index is Based on 12 Economic and Structural Variables Such as GDP, Foreign Trade, FDI, Infrastructures, Energy Use, R&D, Education, Country Risk. *** Green Field Investments Are a Form of Foreign Direct Investment Where a Parent Company Starts a New Venture in a Foreign Country By Constructing New Operational Facilities From the Ground Up. **** Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) Measures the Value of Additions to Fixed Assets Purchased By Business, Government and Households Less Disposals of Fixed Assets Sold Off or Scrapped.

Why You Should Choose to Invest in Morocco

Strong Points

Morocco's strengths are:

- A legal framework and assistance measures very favorable to the investors;
- Still relatively low salaries;
- A Strategic position, not far from Europe;
- A Young and relatively well trained population;
- Strong growth.

Weak Points

Morocco's weaknesses are:

- A still relatively limited Domestic market;
- A country still very dependent on agriculture and vulnerable to the prices of hydrocarbons.

Visa Information

The following countries do not need a visa for visits of up to 90 days.

Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Congo (Brazzaville), Cote d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Hong-kong (30 days), Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Latvia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Monaco,



Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Oman, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore (30 days), Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Philippines, The United Kingdom, United States of America, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

Those who wish to extend their stay may apply to the Immigration or Bureau des Etrangers department of the local police headquarters in most larger towns.

Operating a Business in Morocco

Setting up a company

S.A.R.L.(private limited company)

Number of partners : 5 minimum

Capital (max/min) : 300,000 MAD

Shareholders and liability : Responsibility is limited to the amount of contributions.

S.A.(public limited company)

Number of partners : 5 minimum

Capital (max/min) : 3,000,000 MAD for open public limited companies.

Shareholders and liability : Responsibility is limited to the amount of contributions.

Partnership

Number of partners : 2 minimum

Capital (max/min) : no minimum capital.

Shareholders and liability: Responsibility is unlimited.

Limited Partnership

Number of partners : Between 1 and 50

Capital (max/min) : 10,000 MAD

Shareholders and liability : Responsibility is limited.

Partnership limited by shares

Number of partners : 3 sleeping partners and one active partner.

Capital (max/min) : no minimum capital.

Shareholders and liability : Responsibility is unlimited and several for some and limited to the amount of contributions for others.

Setting Up a Company	Morocco	Middle East & North Africa
Procedures (number)	6.0	8.1
Time (days)	12.0	20.0

(Source : Doing Business)

Reaching the consumers

Consumer behavior

Moroccans are impulsive purchasers. They are particularly sensitive to price. Accustomed to a traditional method of

supply, the availability and confidence of the sellers are important choice criteria. All the same, it is better if the point of sale is recommended by their close relations.

Consumer profile and purchasing power

Morocco has a young population and large households (4.5 people on average). Consumer expenditure is unequally distributed: it is concentrated in the urban areas and in the fringe of the most well-off population.

Distributing a Product

Evolution of the Sector

The distribution market in Morocco has developed since the Nineties rapidly. It accounts for 13% of the GDP.

The share of the small traditional brands nevertheless dominates the market. General and special interest mass distribution have developed only recently. Special interest mass distribution seems to have an important potential.

Market shares

Retail distribution, normally independent and specialized are very heterogeneous structures predominated by small family run shops.

Supermarkets and hypermarkets have recently developed in the cities of Casablanca, Rabat and Marrakech and in some other big cities, and they represent currently about 10% of the sales.

These groups market primarily local products (70 to 80% of the products). Morocco has approximately 200 stores with area larger than 300 m² and 17 hypermarkets.

Specialised mass distribution has developed one after another: The furniture and household electric appliances sector followed by the do-it-yourself sector which is currently experiencing a strong growth.

Market Access Procedures

Non-tariff barriers

Pursuant to provisions of article 1 of the law no. 13-89 relating to foreign trade, goods are free to import. However, there are quantitative restrictions on imports relating to certain particular products such as powders and explosives, secondhand clothes or the retreads or used tyres these goods requiring import licenses. The list of goods subject to quantitative restriction as regards imports is available on the Ministry of Foreign Trade Website at <http://www.maroc-trade.gov.ma/default.aspx>.

Customs duties and taxes on imports

In 2007, the simple average of the tariff range was 23% (42% for agricultural produce) and weighted average 9.3% according to the World Bank.

Customs classification

Morocco applies the Harmonised Customs System.



Import procedures

For free imports, the importer must sign a commitment for imports on form "Commitment for Import, Import license, Preliminary Import Declaration". The Commitment for Import must be drawn up in 5 specimens and accompanied by a proforma invoice in 5 copies specifying :

- the unit price expressed in ex-works value, FOB, FAS;
- quantity expressed in units of appropriate measures;
- trade description of the goods.

The importer must present it for domiciliation to a selected approved bank. After domiciliation, the bank gives the importer its copy and two copies, in a closed envelop, intended for the customs office. The Commitment for Import is valid for 6 months as from the date of its domiciliation and facilitates passing through customs and the financial settlement of the goods.

Finally, an application for exemption from customs duties is necessary for free imports allowed as duty-free within the framework of the tariff and commercial Agreements and Accords concluded between Morocco and certain countries, products belonging to tariff quotas envisaged by the Association and Free trade Agreements concluded between Morocco and the European Community and Morocco and the States of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), and products belonging to tariff quotas envisaged by the Multilateral Agreements.

Application for exemption from customs duties is to be made in 4 copies on a form called "Customs Exemption Application" and accompanied by a pro forma invoice in 3 copies, specifying :

- the unit price expressed in ex-works value, FOB, FAS;
- quantity expressed in units of appropriate measures;
- trade description of the goods.

Application for exemption from customs duties is deposited with the Ministry of Foreign Trade; it is delivered by this department after consultation with the concerned Ministry. The decision to grant or refuse exemption from customs duties is notified to the concerned party by the Ministry of Foreign Trade. Exemption from customs duties is valid for a maximum of 6 months as from the date of the stamp of the Ministry for Foreign Trade.

Import of goods is further subject to the invoice, the import title and, if necessary other documents required according to the nature of the products, on presentation at the customs office within 60 days as from the deposit of the summary declaration, a detailed declaration on a form called "Unique Declaration of Merchandise" (D.U.M).

In the case of imports you can make an advance payment up to 40% of the transaction. The advance payment is authorized for certain products to the limit of the value of DH 200,000.

Importing Samples

Samples can enter without custom duties, subject to a deposit, if they are re-exported within 12 months.

Organizing Goods Transport

Main useful means of Transport

Roadways dominate inland transport in Morocco, providing 90% of the mobility of the people and 75% of flows of goods except phosphate, on a 57,500 km long highway network of which 32,100 is paved, in addition to nearly 800 km of highways. Railways, almost 2000km long, ensures annual transport of more than 30 million tons of goods and 1 million travelers.

Bestowed with a 3,500 km long coastline distributed on the Atlantic and the Mediterranean Ocean, Morocco has 27 harbor cities and 30 ports to which the Tangier Med port will be added, providing a traffic of almost 60 Million tons and transport of 4 million people. Nearly 90% of Moroccan exports expressed in tonnage pass through the seas. Morocco has about fifteen airports, domestic and international annually ensuring transport of 7 million travelers and 51 Million tons of freight.

**Useful Addresses****Embassy of India in Morocco**

Embassy of India
13, Charia Michiifen
Agdal
Rabat
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Tel. : 00-212-37-671339, 675974
Fax : 00-212-37-671269
E-mail : India@maghrebnet.net.ma
Website : www.indianembassymorocco.ma

Embassy of Morocco in India

Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco
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Website : www.moroccoembindia.com

Database of Government Agencies and Trade Associations**Moroccan Government Agencies**

Ministry of Economic and General Affairs
(Ministère des Affaires Economiques et Générales)
Contact : Monkid Mestassi, Deputy Minister
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : 212 (0) 537-77-17-16
Fax : 212 (0) 537-77-47-76
Website : <http://www.finances.gov.ma>

Customs Office

(Direction Des Douanes et Impôts Indirects)
Contact : Zouheir Chorfi, Director
Avenue Annakhil, Centre des Affaires, Hay Riad
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-57-90-11
Fax : (212) (0) 537-71-78-14
E-mail : adii@douane.msie.gov.ma
Website : <http://www.douane.gov.ma>

Government Agency in charge of the Northern Region

(Agence du Nord)
Contact : Fouad Brini, Managing Director
22, Av. Omar Ibn El Khattab Agdal
Rabat, Morocco
Tel.: (212) (0) 537-77-60-13
Fax : (212) (0) 537-77-60-46

Department of Statistics

(Direction des Statistiques)
Contact : Mr. Toufiq Cherkaoui
Rue Mohamed Bel Hassan El Ouazzani
Haut Agdal
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 661-28-46-92
Fax : (212) (0) 537-77-32-17

Ministry of Industry, Commerce and New Technologies

(Ministère de l'Industrie, du Commerce, et de la Mise à Niveau de l'Economie)
Contact : Ahmed Reda Chami, Minister
Quartier Administratif - Chellah
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-76-45-18
Fax : (212) (0) 537-76-35-37
Website : <http://www.mcinet.gov.ma>

Ministry of Economy and Finance

(Ministère de L'Economie et des Finances)
Contact: Salaheddine Mezouar, Minister
Contact : Mohamed Chafiki, Chef de Cabinet
Ancien Quartier Administratif
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-76-11-13
Fax : (212) (0) 537-76-50-68

Investment Office

(Direction des Investissements)
Contact : Hassan Bernoussi, Director
32 Rue Honain, Angle rue Michlifen
Agdal, Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-67-33-75
Fax : (212) (0) 537-67-34-19
Website : <http://www.invest-in-morocco.gov.ma/>

Foreign Trade Council

Conseil National du Commerce Extérieur
Angle Avenue Mehdi Benbarka et Avenue Annakhil,
Immeuble
LES PATIOS Bâtiment II, 5e étage Hay Riad, Rabat - Maroc
Tel. : 0537 57 29 83 and 86
Fax : 0537 57 29 81/82
E-mail : cnce@cnce.org.ma
Website : <https://www.cnce.org.ma>

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

(Ministère de l'Agriculture, et de la Pêche Maritime)
Contact : M. Aziz Akhannouch, Minister
Quartier Administratif, Chellah
Rabat, Morocco
Tel.: (212) (0) 537-76-07-07/537-76-26-36
Fax : (212) (0) 537-76-33-78
Website : <http://www.marocagriculture.com/ministere-de-lagriculture-et-de-la-peche-maritime.html>

Ministry of Foreign Trade

(Ministère du Commerce Extérieur)
Contact : M. Abdellatif Mazouz, Minister
63 Avenue Moulay Youssef
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-73-56-37
Fax : (212) (0) 537-73-51-43

**National Office of Electricity**

(Office National de l' Electricité or ONE)
Contact : Ali Fassi Fihri, General Manager
65 Rue Othman Ben Affane
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 522-66-80-80
Fax : (212) (0) 522-20-56-98
Website : <http://www.one.ma>

National Regulatory Agency for Telecommunications

(Agence Nationale de Réglementation des Télécommunications or ANRT)
Contact: Azdine El Mountassir Billah, General Manager
Centre d'Affaires B.P 2939
Aile Nord
Hay Riad
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-71-84-00/537-71-86-01
Fax : (212) (0) 537- 20 38 62
Website : <http://www.anrt.net.ma/>

National Telephone Company

(Maroc Telecom, IAM)
Contact : Abdeslam Ahizoune, President
Avenue Annakhil, Hay-Riad
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-71-41-41
Fax : (212) (0) 537-71-66-66
Website : <http://www.iam.net.ma/>

National Office of Potable Water

(Office National de l'Eau Potable, ONEP)
Contact : Ali Fassi Fihri, General Manager
Station de Traitement Bouregreg
Avenue Akrach
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-65-06-95 or 96
Fax : (212) (0) 537-65-06-40
Website : <http://www.onep.ma/>

National Office of Phosphates

(Office Cherifien des Phosphates or OCP)
Contact : Mustapha Terrab, General Manager
Bd. de la Grande Ceinture
Route d'El Jadida
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 522-22-23-00
Fax : (212) (0) 522-25-09-99
Website : <http://www.ocpgroup.ma/>

Moroccan Ports Authority

Societe d'Exploitation des Ports (Sodep, also known as Marsa Maroc)
Contact : Mohamed Abdeljalil, General Manager
175 Bd. Mohamed Zerketouni
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel.: (212) (0) 522-23-23-24
Fax : (212) (0) 522-25-81-58
Website : <http://www.marsamaroc.co.ma>

National Airline Company

(Royal Air Maroc or RAM)
Contact : Driss Benhima, President
Aeroport d'Anfa
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 522-91-20-21 or 522-91-20-22
Fax: (212) (0) 522-91-20-95
Website : <http://www.royalairmaroc.com/>

Bureau of Mining and Oil Exploration Research

(Office Nationale des Hydrocarbures et des Mines or ONHYM)
Contact : Amina Benkhadra
34 Avenue Al Fadila, B.P. 8030
Rabat, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 537-28-16-16
Fax : (212) (0) 537-28-16-34
Website : <http://www.onhym.com>

Country Trade Associations**Chambers of Commerce, industry and Services**

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Mr. Hassan BERKANI , President

Mr. Ali ELBAZ, Secretary

Engineering Association

(Association Marocaine du Conseil et de l'Ingenierie)
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Website : <http://www.fmci.ma/>

AMICA: Moroccan Association for Industry and Commerce of the Automobile

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Website : <http://www.amica.ma>
President : Larbi Belarbi

Moroccan Association of Textiles and Apparel Manufacturers

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Fax : (212) (0) 522-94-05-87
E-mail : mtazi@amith.org.ma
Website : <http://www.textile.ma/amith>

**Feed Millers Association (AFAC)**

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Casablanca, Morocco
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Fax : (212) (0) 522-442-2-76
E-mail : fisa@iam.net.ma
Website : <http://www.fisa.org.ma>

Telecommunications and Computers Association (APEBI)

Contact : Abdallah Deguig, President
17, rue Najib Mahfoud, Quartier Gauthier
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 522-27-47-57
Fax : (212) (0) 522-27-47-28
Website : <http://www.apebi.org.ma>

Mining Industry Association

(Fédération de l'Industrie Minière)
Minister Amina Benkhadra
1 Place de l'Istiqlal
Casablanca, Morocco
Tel. : (212) (0) 522-30-68-98
Fax : (212) (0) 522-31-99-96

Association of Moroccan Importers of Agricultural Equipment
(Association des Marchands et Importateurs de Matériel Agricole-AMIMA)

Chakib Ben El Khadir, President
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Feed Manufacturers Association

(Association des Fabricants d'Aliments Composites or AFAC)
Dr. Brahim Assimi
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Casablanca, Morocco
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Fax : (212) (0) 522-31-12-49 or 522-44-22-76
Website : <http://www.fisa.org.ma>

Wheat Millers Federation

(Fédération Nationale de la Minoterie or FNM)
M. Ahmed Bouaida, President
Angle Ibn Majid Bahar & Brihmi El Idrissi (Ex Girardot/
Havre)
Casablanca, Morocco
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Useful Links**Business Environment****Standards****National Standards Organizations**

National Service of Standardisation of Moroccan Industry
(http://www.snima.ma/index.php/imanor_en)

Online Consultation of Standards

Online Standards, the SNIMAc catalog (http://www.snima.ma/index.php/imanor_en/Information/Catalogue)

Certification Organizations

National Service of Standardisation of Moroccan Industry
(http://www.snima.ma/index.php/imanor_en)

Business Practices**General Information**

Communicaid (<http://www.communicaid.com/access/pdf/library/culture/doing-business-in/Doing%20Business%20in%20Morocco.pdf>)

Market Analyses about Morocco (<http://www.globaltrade.net/international-trade-import-exports/m/c/market-reports/Morocco.html>)

Ministries

Department for Finances (<http://www.finances.gov.ma/>)
Department for Equipment and Transport (<http://www.mtpnet.gov.ma/>)
Department of Trade and Industry and New Technologies
(<http://www.mcinet.gov.ma/Pages/default.aspx>)
Department of Energy and Mines (<http://www.mem.gov.ma/>)
Department of Tourism (<http://www.tourisme.gov.ma/>)
Department of Economic and General Affairs (<http://www.affaires-generales.gov.ma/>)
Overseas Trade Department (<http://www.mce.gov.ma/Home.asp>)

Statistical Office

High Commissioner for Planning (<http://www.hcp.ma/>)

Central Bank

Bank Al-Maghrib (<http://www.bkam.ma/>)

Stock Exchange

Casablanca stock exchange (<http://www.casablanca-bourse.com/>)

Search Engines

Araboo (<http://www.araboo.com/dir/morocco-directories-search-engines>)
Maroc.net (<http://www.maroc.net/search/>)
Maroc Export (<http://www.maroc-export.com/>)
Marweb Maroc (<http://www.marweb.com/maroc/>)
Wanadoo (<http://www.wanadoo.ma/>)

**Economic portals**

Finance.ma (<http://www.finance.ma/>)
1st Maroc (<http://www.1stmaroc.com/>)
Entreprendre.ma (http://www.entreprendre.ma/Portrait-du-Maroc_r48.html)

Reaching the consumers**Consumers Associations**

Confederation of Associations of Moroccan Consumers (in French) Tanmia (http://www.tanmia.ma/article.php3?id_article=5958)
Association ATLAS-SAIS (<http://www.atlas-sais.ma/>)

Main Advertising Agencies

Medsoft (<http://www.medsoft-maroc.com/>)
Infinity Maroc (<http://www.ic-maroc.com/>)
Alter way Group (<http://www.alterwaygroup.com/>)

Organizations in the Retail Sector

Federation of Commerce and Services Federation of the Moroccan chambers of commerce, industry and services (<http://www.fcmcis.ma/>)

Organizing goods transport**Ports**

Website of Moroccan ports (<http://www.mtpnet.gov.ma/vpm/Maroc%20Maritime/LienPorts.htm>)

Airports

National Office of Airports (<http://www.onda.org.ma/>)

Sea transport organizations

Merchant Navy Department (DMM) of the Ministry of Equipment and Transports (http://www.mtpnet.gov.ma/MET_New/Fr/MenuHautPrincipal/Ministere/Attributions+DMM.htm)

Air transport organizations

Department of Civil Aviation of the Ministry of Equipment and Transport (http://www.equipementtransport.gov.ma/MET_New/Accueil.htm?wc=1&sec=Aviation%20Civile&sess=Aviation%20Civile)

Road transport organizations

Department of Roads and Road Traffic of the Ministry of Equipment and Transports (<http://www.mtpnet.gov.ma/MET/Secteurs/Routes/>)

Rail transport organizations

Ministry of Equipment and Transports (http://www.equipementtransport.gov.ma/MET_New/Accueil.htm?wc=6&sec=Transport%20Ferroviaire&sess=Transport%20Ferroviaire)

Multi-sector Directories

AAID Companies (<http://www.aaaid.org/english/membercountries.htm>) - Producers of agricultural products, members of the Arab Authority for Agricultural Investment and Development.

Agrisouk - Morocco (<http://www.agrisouk.com/maroc/mor1.htm>) - Food industries and agriculture portal for the Arab world.

AMFEL (<http://amfel.synergie-media.com/>) - Directory of the fruits and vegetables industry in Morocco.

Guide CHR (<http://www.guidechr.com/>) - Business directory for the catering industry in Morocco.

Africa Infomarket (<http://www.africainfomarket.org/empresas-africa/buscador>) - African economic information providing a database of companies.

Annuaire Maroc (<http://www.annuaire-maroc.eu/annuaire/fr/societes/>) - Find a Business in Morocco.

Chambre espagnole de comence, d'insutrie et de navigation de Casablanca (http://www.camacoescasablanca.com/francais/base_fr.html) - Moroccan business directory offered by the Spanish Chamber of Commerce in Casablanca.

Eyoon (<http://www.eyoon.com/249/index.html>) - Business directory for several countries in Africa and in the Middle East.

Investing in Morocco (<http://www.investinginmorocco.co.uk/morocco-business-directory.html>) - Moroccan business directory.

Maroc Adresses (<http://www.maroc-adresses.com/Firmes.php>) - Directory & information about companies in Morocco.

Marweb (<http://en.marweb.com/>) - Morocco and Maghreb search engine and directory.

Ministère de l'Industrie et du commerce (<http://www.mcinet.gov.ma/mciweb/mciweb/qpq.jsp>) - Moroccan industrial business directory, powered by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce of Morocco.

Morocco Charities (http://www.tanmia.ma/rubrique.php3?id_rubrique=27) - Directory of associations provided by Tanmia, Morocco Internet Portal.

Morocco Phone Book (<http://moroccophonebook.com/en/>) - Morocco's business directory.

Telecontact (<http://www.telecontact.ma/>) - Morocco's Yellow Pages.

Trade Agencies and Their Representations Abroad

Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of Casablanca (<http://www.casablanca.cci.ma/cci.asp?codelangue=23&po=2>)

Moroccan Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Services (<http://www.fcmcis.ma/>)

Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of Rabat (<http://www.ccirabat.ma/>)

Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of Tetouan (<http://www.ccisc.gov.ma/adressesutiles/maroc.htm>)

Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of Tanger (<http://www.ccist.gov.ma/>)

Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of Marrakech (<http://www.ccismar.org/>)

Enterprises Federation

General Confederation of Companies of Morocco (<http://www.cgem.ma/>)

The Competent Organization

The Regional Investment Center (http://www.entreprendre.ma/Centre-Regional-d-Investissement_a141.html)

Business Setup Procedures

Consult Doing Business Website (<http://www.doingbusiness.org/data/exploreconomies/Morocco/starting-a-business/>) - to know about procedures to start a Business in Morocco.

Trade Register (http://www.ompic.org.ma/ompic_fr_14.htm)



For Further Statistics

High Commissioner for Planning (<http://www.hcp.ma/>)
The economist (<http://www.leconomiste.com/>)

Unions

Democratic Confederation of Work (<http://www.cdt.ma/>)
General Union of the workers of Morocco (In French) (<http://www.ugtm.ma/siteugtm/modif/fr/>)
Moroccan Labour Union (http://www.fsa.ulaval.ca/personnel/vernag/syndicat/mongour_maroc.pdf)

Labour regulation bodies

Ministry for Employment and Professional Training (<http://www.emploi.gov.ma/index.html>)
Index Mundi (<http://www.indexmundi.com/fr/maroc/>)
Social Security National Office (<http://www.cnss.ma/>)

Competent Organization for the Declaration

Foreign exchange office (<http://www.oc.gov.ma/>)

Investment Aid Agency

Department of Investments (In French) (<http://www.invest.gov.ma/>)
French Agency of Development (<http://www.afd.fr/jahia/Jahia/lang/en/home?q=programme-de-mise-a-niveau.html>)
ANIMA Investment Network (<http://www.animaweb.org/en/index.php>)
Medibtikar (<http://www.medibtikar.eu/-Opportunités-d-affaires-au-Maroc-.html>)

Tenders, Projects and Public Procurement

Tenders Info, Tenders in Morocco (<http://www.tendersinfo.com/global-morocco-tenders.php>)
DgMarket, Tenders Worldwide (<http://www.dgmarket.com/tenders/>)

Other Useful Resources

Department of Investments (<http://www.invest.gov.ma/>)
Economic Developments and Prospects in Morocco - African Economic Outlook (<http://www.africaneconomicoutlook.org/en/countries/north-africa/morocco/>)

Traveling in Morocco

Entry Requirements

Passport and Visa Service

Formalities for the visitors of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<http://www.maec.gov.ma/EN/default.html>)
Visa HQ (<http://morocco.visahq.com/>)

Diplomatic Representations

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (<http://www.maec.gov.ma/fr/default.asp>)
http://www.mzv.cz/wwwo/mzv/default.asp?id=25931&ido=7306&idj=2&amb=1-_blank

Organizing Your Trip

Means of Transport Recommended in Town

'Small taxis' of different colour according to the cities are a practical and relatively cheap option (they are equipped with taximeters). Buses are not very reliable and dilapidated.

Maps of Urban Networks

Maporama (<http://www.maporama.com/>)
Mapblast (<http://www.mapblast.com/>)
UT Library on line (<http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/morocco.html>)
ViaMichelin (<http://www.viamichelin.co.uk/>)

Means of Transport Recommended in the Rest of the Country

There is a railroad in the Tangier-Fes-Marrakech triangle. Though not very fast, it is a comfortable and relatively reliable option.

Apart from this route, there exists a rather dense bus network. Best maintained are those of CTM and Supratours. To access more isolated areas, "big taxis" must be taken. Several seats can be bought if one is in a hurry.

Rail Companies

Railway National Office (<http://www.oncf.ma/>)

Travelling by Yourself

Recommendation

Driving during night is not recommended. Generally, prudence is required.

Road Maps

Morocco Weather (<http://www.meteoromoc.com/>)
Map of the Ministry of Transports, for each region (http://www.mtpnet.gov.ma/MET_New/Fr/MenuServices/Services/Carte+routi%C3%A8re.htm)
7 dragons (<http://www.7-dragons.com/maroc/plan.php>)

Find an Itinerary

Morocco itinerary (<http://www.marocitineraire.fr/nf/>)
Marocou (<http://www.marocou.com/>)

Tourism Organization

National Office of Tourism (<http://www.tourisme-marocain.com/>)
Administration of Tourisme (<http://www.tourisme.gov.ma/>)

Type of Climate

The temperatures are mild in the coastal area and more extreme in the interior of the country.

Getting Some Knowledge

Speak Moroccan (<http://www.speakmoroccan.com/>) and Learn Moroccan Arabic (<http://www.friendsofmorocco.org/learnarabic.htm>) - method to learn Moroccan dialectal Arabic - French/Arabic vocabulary Babel Project (<http://projetbabel.org/forum/viewtopic.php?t=9466>)
- French/Arabic/Amazighe vocabulary

Free Translation Tools

Arjeeb (<http://tarjim.ajeeb.com/ajeeb/default.asp?lang=1>) : Dictionary and translation online
Ectaco (<http://www.ectaco.com/online/>) : Online dictionary

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