

# ARGENTINA: A Country with More Investment Opportunities

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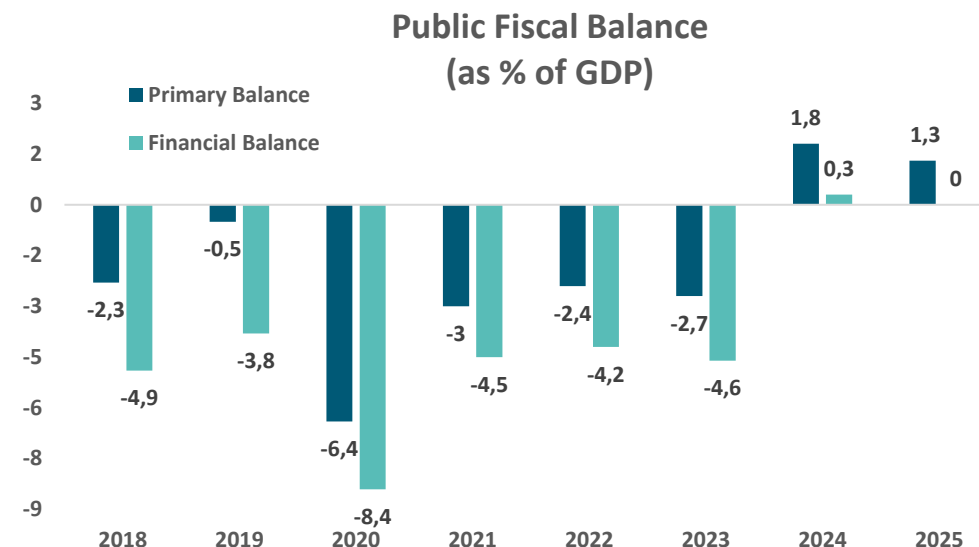


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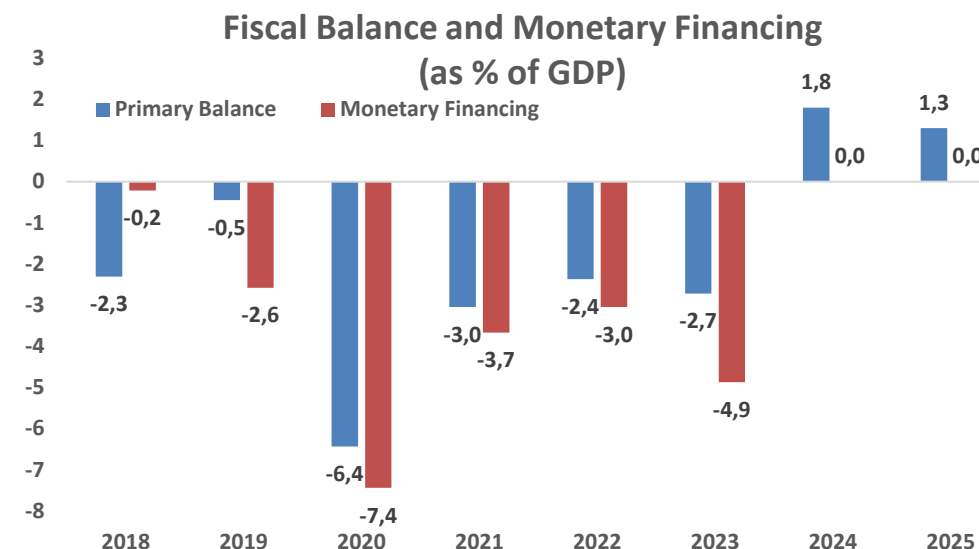


## 2023: A Legacy of Crisis

- On the brink of hyperinflation and in recession.
- Distorted relative prices and heavily subsidized utilities & transportation.
- Record fiscal and quasi-fiscal deficits.
- Severe foreign exchange and capital controls.
- Negative central bank foreign exchange reserves.
- Record levels of poverty.



Source: AAICI based on data from the Argentine Ministry of Economy.

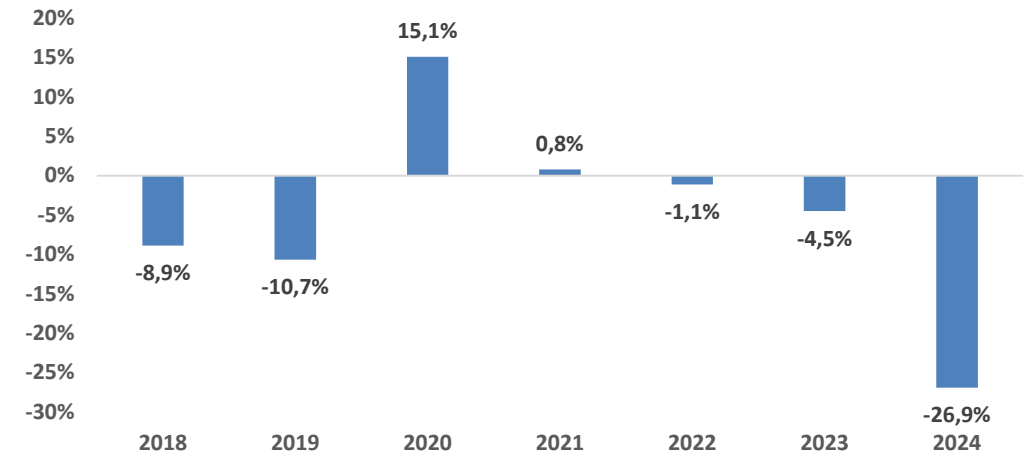


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## ➤ A New and Sustainable Macroeconomic Framework

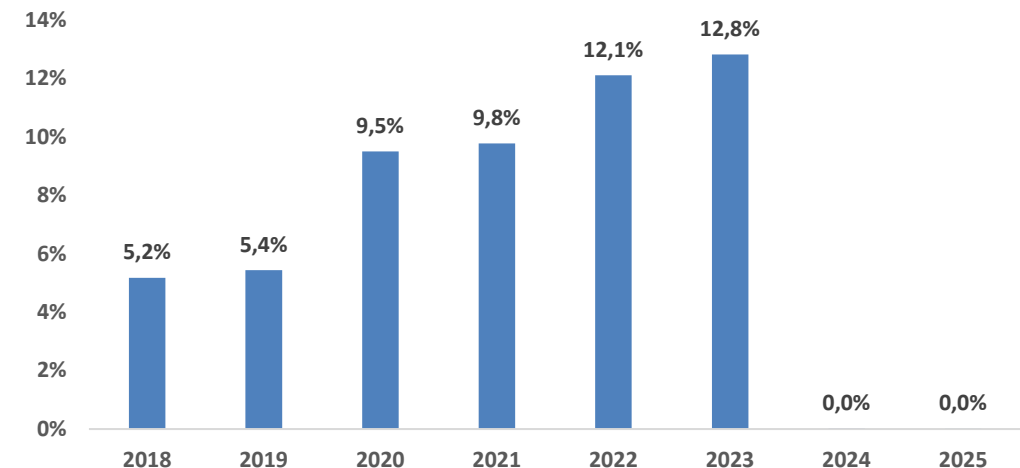
- Extreme fiscal austerity: balanced budget in the first month of the new administration.
- End of financing of the Treasury by the Central Bank (monetary).
- Deregulation and economic simplification (first Ministry of Deregulation in the world).
- Trade liberalization.

Real Primary Expenditure  
(YoY growth)



Source: AAI CI based on data from the Argentine Ministry of Economy.

Non-monetary Assets of the Central Bank of the Argentine Republic  
(as % of GDP)



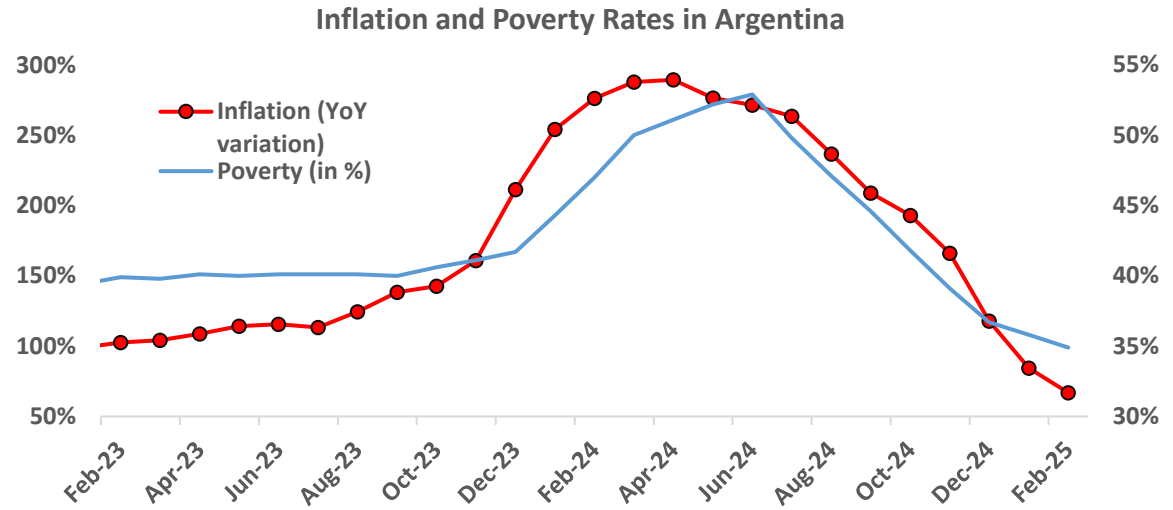
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## Milestones Reached

- Sharp decline in inflation and inflation expectations.
- Correction of relative price distortions.
- Real wage and pension increases.
- Economic recovery (9th consecutive month of growth and largest growth in Latin America in 2025).
- Poverty reduction (30% reduction in the 2nd half of 2024).
- Record currency recovery in the world (+40%).

### Inflation

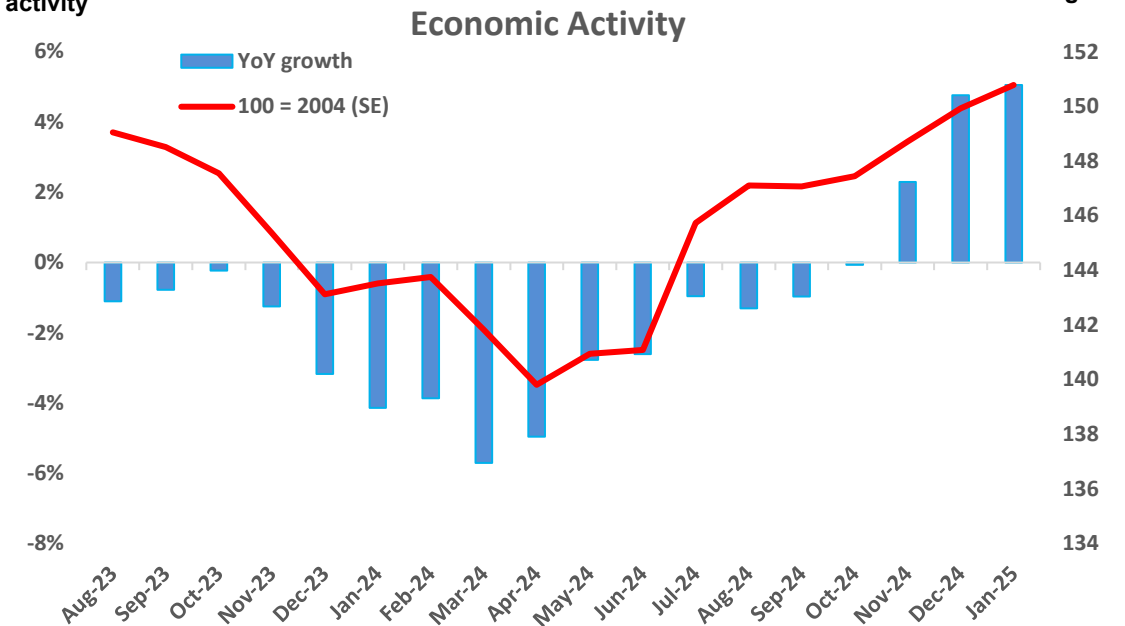
### Poverty



Source: AAI CI based on data from the INDEC and others.

### Economic activity

### YoY growth

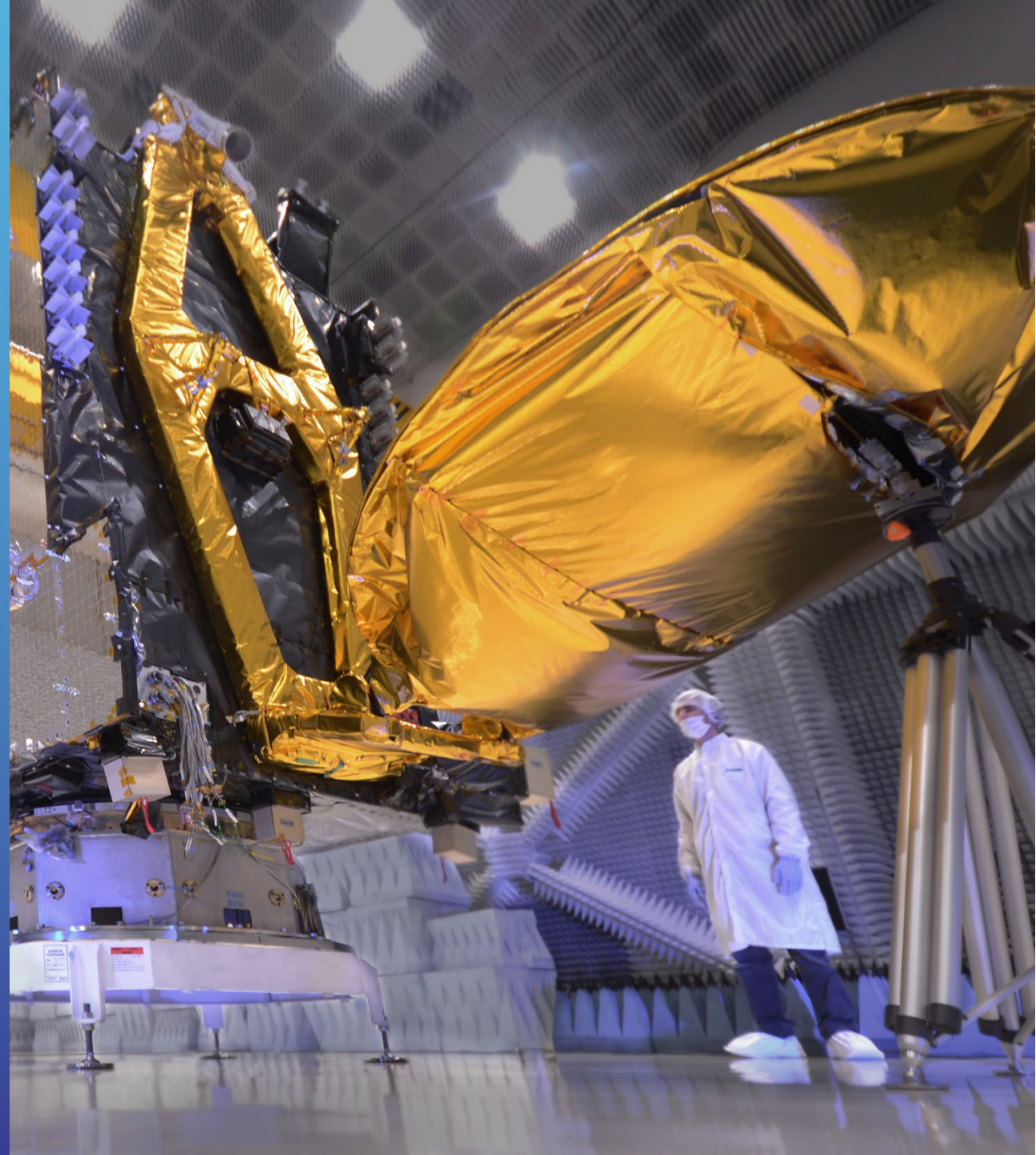


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## A New Argentina

- Repositioning in the international political scenario.
- On the way to becoming the freest country in the world (In 2024, the index improved by 21 places).
- High level of popular support for economic policies.
- Political and parliamentary consensus for the implementation of structural improvements.
- Increased predictability and stability for foreign investment.
- New Incentive Regime for Large Investments (RIGI) to consolidate national development in strategic sectors.







## Why Argentina?

- 8th largest country in the world.
- 3rd largest economy in Latin America: GDP of USD 687.1 billion (2025 estimate) and the 22nd largest economy in the world (source: World Bank).
- 46 million people: 55% under the age of 35.
- A potential market of 295 million consumers through Mercosur.
- Ranked 48th in the UN Human Development Index, 2nd in Latin America.
- Ranked 48th out of 226 in goods export and 58th out of 165 in services export.
- Ranked 22nd out of 117 on the Economic Complexity Index.
- The country has vast reserves of minerals, oil and gas.





## ➤ Why Argentina?

- A country with a federal government, consolidated democracy, institutional stability and the rule of law.
- Well-connected country: 2nd largest rail network in the region, 13th in the world.
- Highest level of English as a second language in the region.
- Best quality of life in the region (source: The Economist).
- Safest country in Latin America.
- Social peace: a society free of conflicts based on religion, ethnicity or other factors.
- Supply chains with less risk of disruptions due to war.
- Strategic time zone: easier to do business with Europe and the Americas.
- 92% of the population has internet access.





# ➤ A New and Important Policy: the Incentive Regime for Large Investments (RIGI)

- A strategic program designed to attract and promote large-scale investment.
- It offers significant tax, customs, and foreign exchange (FX) benefits.
- It establishes a robust legal framework to ensure regulatory certainty for 30 years.
- Minimum investment requirement: USD 200 million; USD 300 million for oil and/or gas transportation and storage projects; USD 600 million for onshore and offshore oil and/or gas exploration and production.
- 40% of the investment must be made within the first two years.





# ➤ The RIGI in Detail:

1. Tax and customs benefits
2. FX benefits
3. Legal guarantees

More information  
about the RIGI:



Application  
procedure:



- 1.1. Corporate Income Tax (CIT) tax rate reduced from 35% to 25%; accelerated depreciation deduction.
  - 1.2. Unlimited tax loss carryforward.
  - 1.3. Income taxes reduced from 7% to 3.5% after 7 years.
  - 1.4. VAT on investments can be offset with a Tax Credit on financial debits tax.
  - 1.5 100% of the Tax on Bank Debits and Credits computable as payment on account in the Income Tax.
  - 1.6 Exemption of import duties on capital goods, spare parts, etc.
  - 1.7 Exemption of export duties after 3 years.
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- 2.1. Exemption for settlement of export proceeds in the official foreign exchange market: 20% after 2 years, 40% after 3 years, and 100% after 4 years.
  - 2.2. No obligation to repatriate and/or settle foreign currency related to capital contributions, loans or services.
  - 2.3. No restrictions on holding foreign assets and free access to the foreign exchange market for the payment of dividends, profits or interest to non-residents.
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- 3.1. Projects enjoy legal stability in tax, customs and foreign exchange matters for 30 years; the benefits cannot be revoked, nor can more burdensome or restrictive regulations be applied retroactively for 30 years.
  - 3.2. Possibility of submitting disputes to arbitration before the ICC, PCA, or ICSID, without the need for prior litigation in Argentina.



# A Diversified Economy

NOA

Agricultural products: soybean, corn, sugar cane, rice, citrus fruits, wood.

Mining: gold, silver, lithium, potassium.

NEA

Agricultural products: rice, soybean, corn, 'yerba mate', tea, tobacco, citrus fruits.

Mining: precious and semi-precious stones.

ICT, software (Misiones, Chaco).

CUYO

Mining: gold, silver, copper, lime.

Agricultural products: wine, nuts, olives.

Manufacturing of electronic appliances.

Renewable energy (solar and wind).

ICT and software (Mendoza).

CENTER

Agricultural products: soybean, wheat, corn, sunflower, peanuts.

Livestock, dairy products.

Industrial: automotive, agricultural equipment, petrochemical, pharmaceutical, real estate, creative and cultural industries.

ICT (Buenos Aires, Córdoba).

PATAGONIA

Agricultural products: fish, fruit, sheep farming.

Energy: petroleum, shale oil, shale gas.

Renewable energy (wind).

Industrial: manufacturing of electronic devices.

NOA



NEA



Center

Cuyo

Patagonia



## Mining

- Argentina promotes sustainable and transparent mining practices: it is a member of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) since 2019.
- It has a great diversity of mineral resources:
  - Precious metals (gold and silver)
  - Industrial metals (copper, lead, zinc and lithium)
  - Non-metallic minerals (limestone, clay and gypsum)
  - Mineral fuels (coal)
- Mining contributes 0.82% of the country's gross value added and represents 6.1% of exports.
- It generates 41,170 direct jobs, with salaries 1.8 times higher than the national average.
- Argentina is the third largest lithium exploration destination in the world, after Australia and Canada.
- It ranks fifth in copper exploration worldwide.

## Investment Opportunities

- There are no restrictions on foreign investment in mining.
- The Mining Investment Law grants fiscal stability for 30 years.
- These benefits are complemented by the new RIGI, particularly due to the flexibility it provides for operations in the local exchange market.
- Project pipeline: 25 production projects, 7 under construction, and 10 in feasibility studies.
- There are investment protection agreements with countries such as the USA, Canada, China and Australia.

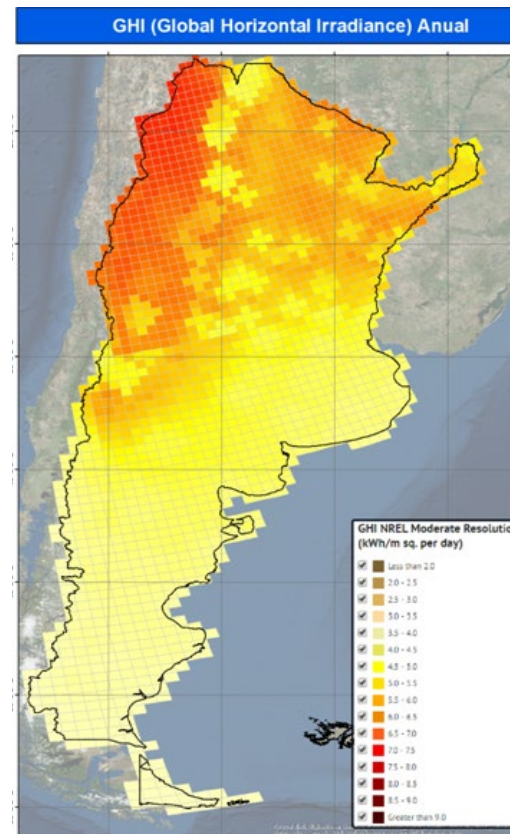
## ➤ Energy

- Argentina has high yields in average wind speed and solar irradiance, with areas that stand out worldwide, such as the Patagonian Corridor (for wind generation, with winds that exceed an average of 10 m/s) and the Central and Northern areas (for solar generation, with annual averages of between 10 and 12 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>).
- The electric energy transportation infrastructure and the low population and plant density in the areas with these yields stand out.
- At the forefront in prioritizing nuclear technology.

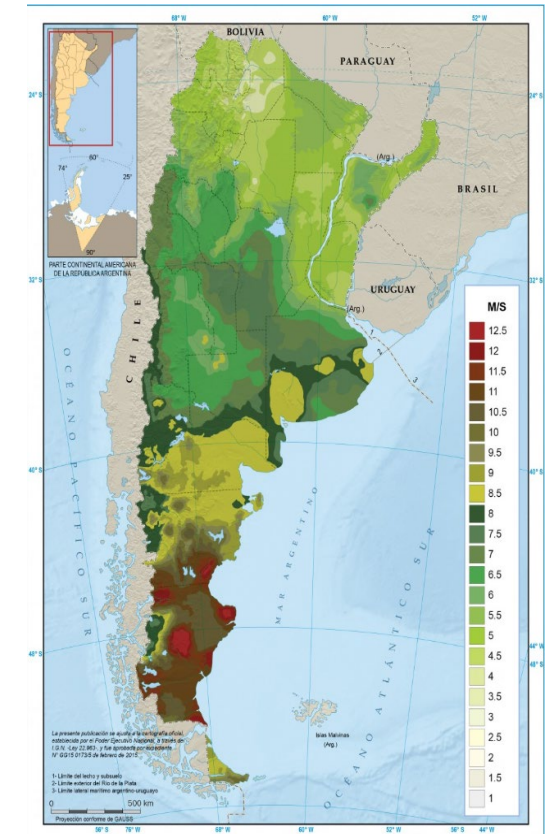
## ➤ Investment Opportunities

- Green hydrogen projects, due to the yield and availability of resources for its production.
- Electricity generation projects, with high support from the national government through the RIGI.

### Solar Irradiance



### Average wind speeds

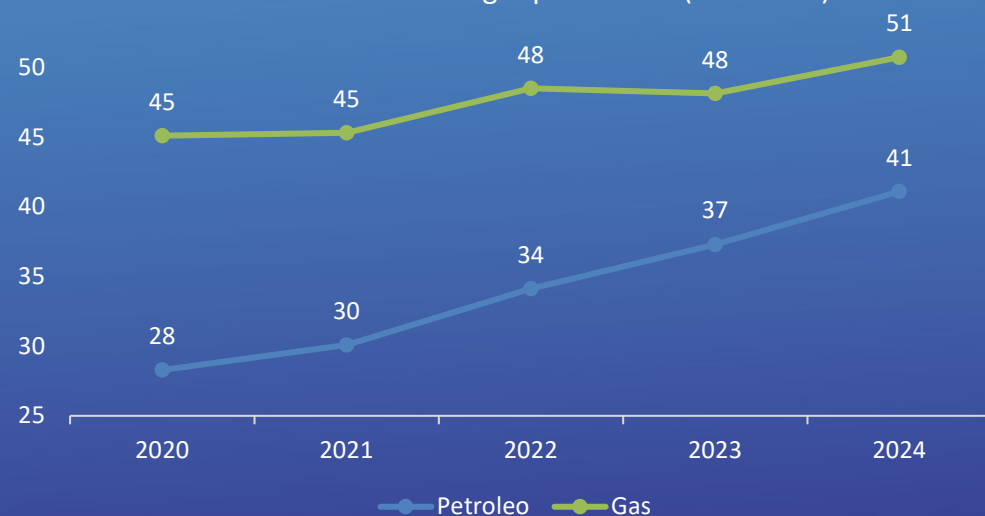




## Oil & Gas

- **Vaca Muerta** is the main unconventional hydrocarbon formation in the country.
- It is projected to gain greater relevance within the main exporting sectors.
- There are **gas pipelines** connecting Argentina with the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, Brazil and Bolivia.
- The country stands out for the export of **seamless pipes** and has developed an industry and support services for the sector.

Evolution of annual oil and gas production (in MMm3)



Source: AAI CI based on data from the Secretariat of Energy of the Ministry of Economy.

## Investment Opportunities

### Palermo Aike

*New “Vaca Muerta”: it is the second most important unconventional basin in the country.*

### Offshore platform

*Currently, only 5 offshore fields are operating, comprising 15% of the local gas supply.*

### Liquefaction plants

### Projects complementing existing trunk pipelines

## Knowledge-Based Economy

- **Third largest export complex in the country**
  - USD 8 billion (2023).
- **Sectoral diversity**
  - More than 15,000 companies.
  - +13 unicorns.
  - Software/IA/Data Science.
  - Fintech.
  - Nano and biotechnology.
  - Video games and audiovisual production.
- **Talent**
  - 500,000 jobs.
  - 132 public and private universities.
  - 2.5 million university students.
  - 275,000 graduates per year.

## Investment Opportunities

- Cultural compatibility that facilitates integration and collaboration.
- Specialized solutions by sector: agriculture, industry, health, education, satellite, finance, administration.
- Ongoing integration in technological sectors with companies already operating in Europe.
- Sectoral incentive scheme for companies that hire highly qualified personnel.
- Robust regulatory framework for the promotion of the sector, initiated with the Software Law in 2006 and evolving with the current Law for the Promotion of the Knowledge Economy of 2021, with relevant tax benefit.



## Agribusiness

- **An advanced sector with international recognition**  
3rd largest net food exporter in the world.  
10th largest food producer in the world.  
3rd place in certified organic hectares.
- **Diversity of production due to a wide range of climates**  
*More than 40 value chains involved.*
- **Highly specialized national industry and support services**  
*Highlights include machinery for direct sowing, biotechnology, satellite services for yields and pest control, among others.*

## Investment Opportunities

Forestry industry with high growth prospects, supported by the RIGI.

Highly specialized industry and support services.

Machinery for productive technification.

## ➤ Tourism

### Vast and diverse land

*11 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.*

### Connectivity

*Extensive air and ground transportation network, exceeding regional standards.*

### Leader in cultural activities in the region

*Long cultural tradition.*

## ➤ Investment Opportunities

Hospitality

Cuisine

Glamping

Wine Tourism

Infrastructure for  
Adventure Tourism

Open skies Policy





# ➤ We are the Argentine Investment and International Trade Promotion Agency

What do we do?

- We support companies expand internationally with strategic programs that improve the global competitiveness of Argentine products and services.
- We promote key sectors to attract local and foreign investment and foster sustainable growth.





**Promotion of Exports**

**Promotion of Foreign Direct Investment**



**Support for Exporters and Investors:**

- Facilitation and regulatory support.
- Customized solutions and tools.
- Technical assistance and capacity building.



## Promotion of Exports

## Strategic Work

### ***International trade shows***

With a presence at 122 international trade shows, we promote the positioning of companies in strategic sectors for the country: energy, oil and gas, innovation and agriculture. We project a vision of openness, modernization and competitiveness in the global economy.

### ***Business rounds***

We are planning more than 30 business rounds with the main objective of facilitating direct meetings between Argentine exporters and international buyers to generate new business opportunities and strengthen the presence of Argentine products and services in global markets.

### ***Positioning actions***

Accompanying the renewal of the institutional image, we have developed strategies to consolidate the reputation of products and services. These actions include: a new model of national stand with innovative features, networking events and business agendas both at international fairs and within the framework of Argentine Weeks abroad, promotion of companies specialized in renewable energies, cooperation agreements with cultural institutions, and promotion of a center for technological innovation and knowledge-based services.





## Promotion of Exports

### Main Tools

#### *Company internationalization program*

A joint initiative with the Ministry of Economy to promote the international expansion of companies in key sectors, support the access to global markets for their products and services, and connect strategic suppliers with international partners.

#### *Business intelligence*

A strategic approach to collecting and analyzing market data, helping companies make informed decisions, identify competitors, and adapt to market trends to enhance competitiveness.



## Promotion of Investment

### Main Tools

#### ***Identification of opportunities | Relaunch of the Invest Argentina Platform***

Design of 40 investment projects to promote development opportunities in the country.

#### ***Business rounds***

We organized more than 350 meetings between foreign investors, Argentine companies and other relevant actors of the investment, financial and productive ecosystem.

#### ***Partnerships in strategic sectors***

More than 1,500 companies, investors, chambers, embassies, provincial governments and international agencies participated in our activities.

#### ***One-stop investor service center (soft-landing and aftercare)***

40 foreign investors active in our pipeline.

#### ***New Investor's Guide***

Development of the new *Doing Business Argentina 2025 investment guide*.

#### ***Regulatory assistance and liaison with national and provincial authorities***

Assistance to foreign investors in their installation process in Argentina, support in procedures and regulations with national and provincial agencies.

## ➤ Upcoming Milestones

- Publication of the new Doing Business
- Investment Intelligence
- Argentine Investment Forum  
(September 2025)
- Development of a Single Investment Window
- Development of a Finance Hub
- New CRM, process digitization, and AI assistance





## ➤ Marca País



# Argentina

Depending on the General Secretariat of the Presidency of Argentina, the country brand Marca País Argentina works with the Argentine Investment and International Trade Promotion Agency to strengthen the country's global presence. It also promotes Argentine pride through distinctive national attributes: tourism, talent, culture, and the export of goods and services. The strategy of Marca País Argentina is to consolidate the country's international positioning in order to boost exports, attract investment and promote tourism and culture.

## ➤ Strategic planning for the positioning of Marca País Argentina

- Coordinating with institutions that promote Argentina.
- Promoting Argentina in international trade shows to strengthen the country's image.
- Promoting the distinctive national attributes with an innovative and competitive focus.
- Strengthening strategic alliances and international cooperation.
- Developing strategies to strengthen the national presence in the global community.
- Increasing the reputation of Argentine products and services in international markets.
- Collaborating with public and private actors in promotion activities.
- Collaborating with licensees of the Marca País.
- Creating networking spaces to boost connections.
- Organizing PR events to increase visibility.
- Implementing the "Argentine Weeks" in key destinations.
- Adapting campaigns to local markets to increase impact.
- Developing strategies to attract buyers, partners and investors.

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