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"The images on the front cover symbolise the five strategic pillars of BIMP-EAGA which consists of Connectivity, Food Basket, Tourism, Environment, and Socio-cultural and Education. These pillars support the long-term strategic thrusts of enhancing connectivity within and outside BIMP-EAGA, establishing the subregion as a food basket in ASEAN and the rest of Asia, promoting BIMP-EAGA as a premier tourism destination, ensuring the sustainable management of natural resources, and promoting people-to-people connectivity through socio-cultural understanding and increasing mobility."



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The Brunei Darussalam - Indonesia - Malaysia - Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) was established in 1994 as a cooperation initiative by the four BIMP-EAGA nations to accelerate the socio-economic development of less developed, marginalized and geographically remote areas in these four countries as broader goal to narrow development gaps.

The BIMP-EAGA covers the entire sultanate of Brunei Darussalam; 19 provinces in Kalimantan, Sulawesi, Maluku and Papua (Indonesia); state of Sabah and Sarawak and Federal Territory of Labuan (Malaysia) and; Mindanao and Palawan (Philippines).

Through BIMP-EAGA, the four countries want to generate balanced and inclusive growth as well as contribute to regional economic integration in the ASEAN Economic Community. Their aim is to boost trade, tourism, and investments by easing the movement of people, goods, and services across borders; making the best use of common infrastructure and natural resources; and taking the fullest advantage of economic complementation.





Land Area

BIMP-EAGA covers a land area of 1.6 million km² which account for 62.2 per cent of the BIMP's land area.



Population

BIMP-EAGA had a combined population of 81.7 million, equivalent to 19.2 per cent of BIMP's population. The BIMP-EAGA area is sparsely populated, with a population density of 52 persons per square kilometer.



Labour Force

The BIMP-EAGA accounted for 16.6 per cent of the BIMP's total labour force.





Gross Domestic Product

The GDP at current prices in EAGA was USD401.6 billion, accounting for 18.2 per cent of BIMP's GDP. At constant prices, EAGA's economy recorded positive GDP growth of 1.9 per cent.



Trade in Goods

The EAGA trade in goods was recorded at USD161.5 billion, accounting for 21.8 per cent of BIMP's trade.



Tourism

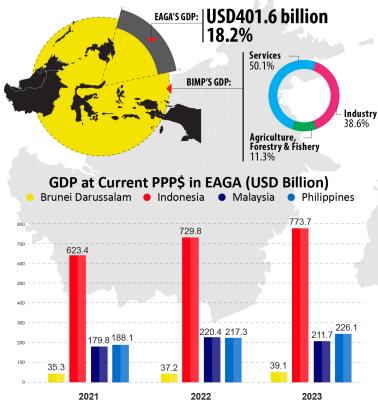
Foreign tourist arrivals to EAGA increased by 168.2 per cent in 2023. The increase significantly contributes to the growth of EAGA's economy.



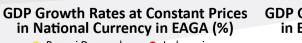


The EAGA's GDP at current prices was at USD401.6 billion and accounted for 18.2 per cent of BIMP's GDP. The GDP of BIMP -EAGA was pegged at current PPP\$1,250.6 billion. Meanwhile, BIMP's GDP was valued at USD2,207.3 billion, with the Services Sector being the largest contributor at 50.1 per cent. This was followed by the Industry Sector, which accounted for 38.6 per cent, and the Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery Sector at 11.3 per cent.

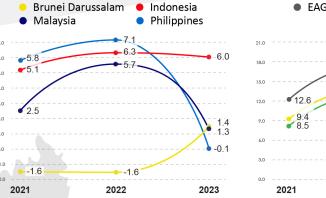
At constant prices, EAGA's economy recorded a positive GDP growth of 1.9 per cent. Similarly, BIMP's economy also posted a positive growth of 3.6 per cent.

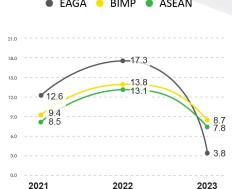


Within EAGA in 2023, Indonesia-EAGA was the largest economy with a GDP of PPP\$ 773.7 billion.





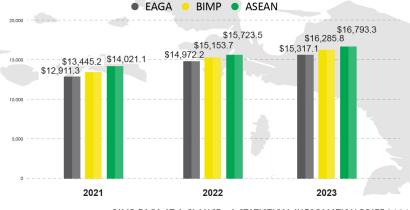




GDP Per Capita at Current PPPS in EAGA



GDP Per Capita at Current PPP\$ in EAGA, BIMP and ASEAN





Share of EAGA GDP in BIMP GDP at Current PPP\$, 2023

▶ EAGA

Rest of BIMP

81.9%

USD **5,661.7** billion

18.1%

USD 1,250.6 billion



TOURISM

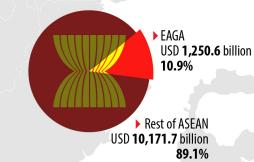


Size of EAGA in BIMP GDP at Current PPP\$, 2023 (%)



The GDP at Current PPP\$ of Malaysia-EAGA was noted at 16.6%; Indonesia-EAGA and Philippines-EAGA both at 17.9%

Share of EAGA GDP in ASEAN GDP at Current PPP\$, 2023

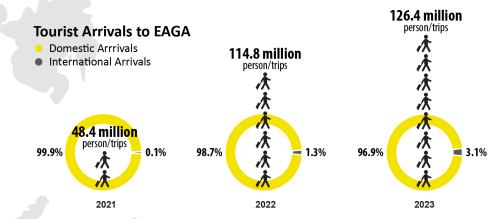


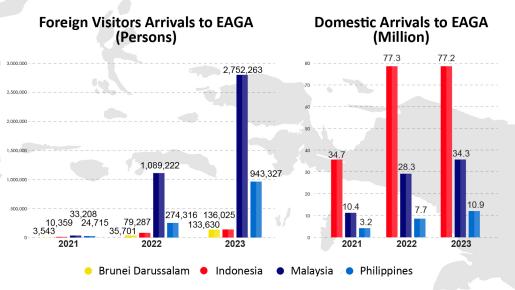
GDP Share at Current PPPS in EAGA, 2023 Brunei Darussalam Indonesia Malaysia Philippines



Domestic tourism was the primary driver of the tourism sector in EAGA, accounting for approximately 96.9 per cent of visitor arrivals in 2023, compared to 3.1 per cent from foreign visitors.

The BIMP sub-region offers numerous attractions due to its countries rich history, heritage and culture. It is situated in one of the world's most resource-rich area, encompassing the Heart of Borneo and the Sulu-Sulawesi Marine Ecoregion.









The total trade in 2023 was USD161.5 billion, comprising exports valued at USD110.9 billion and imports amounting to USD50.7 billion. The trade balance was recorded at USD60.2 billion in 2023 compared to USD84.7 billion in 2022. The EAGA exports in 2023 continued to dominate total trade.

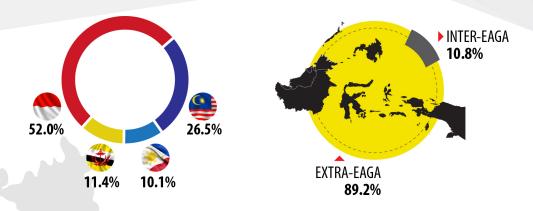
In 2023, trade with the rest of the world (Extra-EAGA) dominated trade in goods of BIMP-EAGA with share of 89.2 per cent. Meanwhile, 10.8 per cent were trade with BIMP (Inter-EAGA). The Intra-EAGA trade for exports and imports were valued at USD2.5 billion and USD2.5 billion respectively.

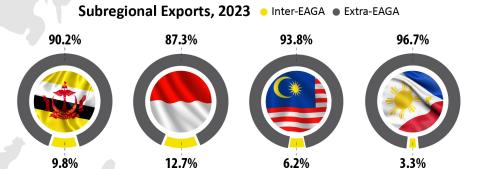
The Intra-EAGA trade supports the short-to-medium-term goal of BIMP-EAGA to integrate the economies of the subregion, among others, through enhanced Intra-EAGA trade.



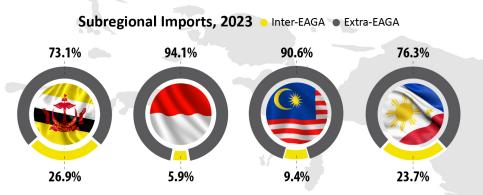


Inter and Extra-EAGA Trade, 2023





Exports to Extra-EAGA for all EAGA's exceeded 87.0 per cent.



Imports from Extra-EAGA for all EAGA regions exceeded 73.0 per cent.





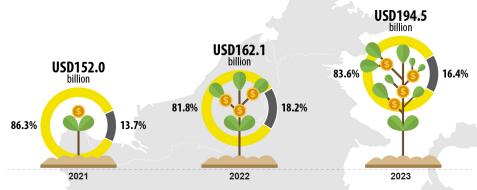
In 2023, foreign direct investment and domestic investment in BIMP and EAGA grew by 20.0 per cent and 8.4 per cent respectively.

Within the EAGA region, foreign direct investment recorded a decline by 1.9 per cent. However, the domestic investment recorded an increase by 29.8 per cent.

The increase in domestic investment was aligned with the Trade and Investment Facilitation and Promotion Cluster (TIPC) target of a 10.0 per cent annual increase in domestic investment, as conducive investment environment was established in the subregion.

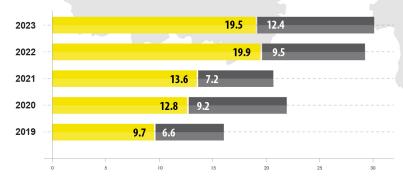
Share of Investment in BIMP and EAGA

Investment in the rest of BIMP
 Investment in EAGA

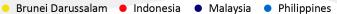


Size of Investment in EAGA (USD Billion)

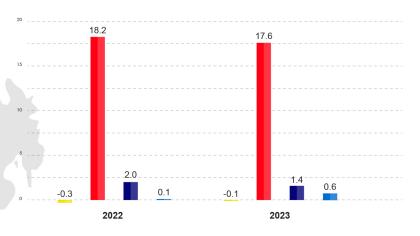
Foreign Direct Investment
 Domestic Investment



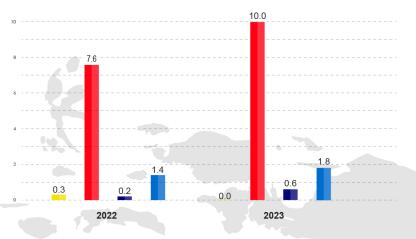
Investment in EAGA



Foreign Direct Investment (USD billion)



Domestic Investment (USD billion)

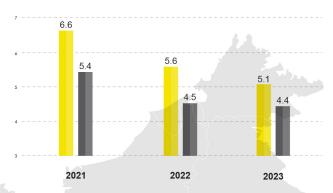




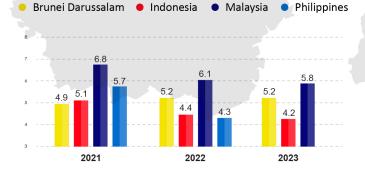
In 2023, the unemployment rate in EAGA decreased to 4.4 per cent compared to 4.5 per cent in 2022. The unemployment rate in EAGA remained lower than that of BIMP.

Meanwhile, the unemployment rates for Indonesia and Malaysia in 2023 were lower compared to 2022.

Unemployment Rate in BIMP and EAGA (%) ● BIMP ● EAGA (2023 data excludes Philippines)



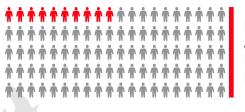
Unemployment Rate (%)





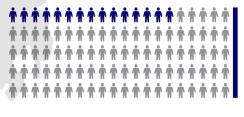


Poverty Incidence in EAGA



Indonesia

About 10 in every 100 persons in Indonesia-EAGA experienced poverty in 2023



Malaysia

About 15 in every 100 persons in Malaysia-EAGA experienced poverty in 2022

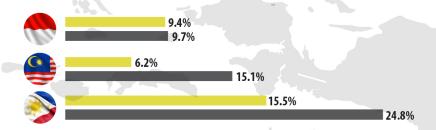


Philippines

About 25 in every 100 persons in Philippines-EAGA experienced poverty in 2023

Poverty Incidence in EAGA and comparison to their National Level

(excluding Brunei Darussalam) • BIMP • EAGA



- 1 Indonesia Poverty Incidence is based on 2023 data
- 2 Malaysia Poverty Incidence is based on 2022 data
- 3 Philippines Poverty Incidence is based on 2023 data





			Brunei Darussalam Indonesia				Malaysia	Philippines						
			2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023
1	General Information	Unit '												
	Land Area	square km	5,765	5,765	5,765	1,916,907	1,892,410	1,892,410	330,411	330,411	330,345	300,000	300,000	300,000
	Population	'000 persons	440.7	445.4	450.5	272,679.2	275,719.9	278,696.2	32,576.0	32,698.1	33,379.5	110,081.7	110,939.8	111,912.4
	Total Labour Force	'000 persons	223.3	222.0	228.6	140,152.6	143,722.6	147,707.5	15,532.8	15,769.7	16,366.8	47,703.2	49,557.7	
	Unemployment	'000 persons	11.0	11.4	11.9	9,102.1	8,425.9	7,855.1	707.6	614.5	553.4	3,714.9	2,671.1	
	Unemployment Rate	Per cent	4.9	5.2	5.2	6.5	5.9	5.3	4.6	3.9	3.4	7.8	5.4	
2	Investment													
	Foreign Direct Investment	USD Billion	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	31.1	45.6	50.3	50.3	37.1	41.3	3.9	4.4	16.0
	Domestic Investment	USD Billion	0.0	0.3	0.0	30.6	38.5	45.6	24.3	23.7	30.9	11.5	12.7	10.4
3	Gross Domestic Product													
	GDP at Current Prices	USD Billion	14.0	16.7	15.1	1,189.8	1,245.2	1,355.2	373.8	407.6	399.7	394.1	404.4	437.2
	GDP Per Capita at Current Prices	USD	31,784.4	37,424.6	33,508.2	4,363.2	4,516.1	4,862.8	11,475.1	12,465.9	11,975.2	3,579.8	3,644.9	3,906.6
	GDP at Constant Prices	USD Billion	14.1	13.5	14.1	779.3	744.4	798.0	335.7	344.0	343.8	376.4	366.1	378.5
	GDP Growth at Constant Prices	Per cent	-1.6	-1.6	1.4	3.7	5.3	5.1	3.3	8.9	3.6	5.7	7.6	5.5
	GDP at Current Prices by Industrial Origin													
	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery	USD Billion	0.2	0.2	0.2	158.0	154.4	169.8	35.8	36.5	31.1	39.7	38.6	41.1
	Industry	USD Billion	8.8	11.3	9.3	474.1	515.9	545.0	140.9	159.4	150.6	113.8	118.2	123.2
	Services	USD Billion	5.3	5.4	5.8	509.5	520.4	581.1	193.1	207.5	213.5	240.5	247.6	272.9
4	Tourism							7.5						
	Inbound international tourist	'000 persons	3.5	35.7	133.6	1,557.5	5,889.0	11,677.8	134.7	10,071.0	14,467.0	163.9	2,653.9	5,450.6
5	Trade in Goods													
	Total Trade	USD Billion	17.8	23.4	18.4	354.4	529.4	480.7	38.2	52.2	42.8	191.5	216.8	199.8
	Trade Balance	USD Billion	3.3	5.0	3.5	108.8	54.5	36.9	21.9	30.6	23.6	-42.2	-57.6	-52.6
	Total Merchandise Imports	USD Billion	7.2	9.2	7.4	122.8	237.4	221.9	8.1	10.8	9.6	116.9	137.2	126.2
	Total Merchandise Exports	USD Billion	10.5	14.2	11.0	231.6	291.9	258.8	30.0	41.4	33.2	74.7	79.6	73.6

Note: (1) Data source for Indonesia's land area was collected by Ministry of Home Affairs.

- (2) For gross domestic product, Brunei Darussalam and Indonesia base year are 2010, Malaysia base year is 2015. Meanwhile for Phillippines base year is 2018.
- (3) The exchange rate in Indonesia's gross domestic product data based on Bank Indonesia.
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				Brunei Daruss	alam	Indonesia			Malaysia				Philippines	
			2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023
1	General Information	Unit												
	Land Area	square km	5,765	5,765	5,765	1,233,601	1,212,286	1,212,286	198,163	198,363	198,445	155,384	155,384	155,384
	Population	'000 persons	440.7	445.4	450.5	45,571.9	46,170.5	46,760.6	5,975.0	5,959.0	6,203.0	27,529.2	27,866.9	28,236.1
	Total Labour Force	'000 persons	223.3	222.0	228.6	22,286.2	22,702.2	23,953.5	2,805.3	2,854.7	3,035.1	11,743.2	12,275.9	
	Unemployment	'000 persons	11.0	11.4	11.9	1,143.8	1,008.7	1,016.1	192.1	172.8	177.0	667.5	528.3	
	Unemployment Rate	Per cent	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.1	4.4	4.2	6.8	6.1	5.8	5.7	4.3	
2	Investment													
	Foreign Direct Investment	USD Billion	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	10.9	18.2	17.6	2.4	2.0	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.6
	Domestic Investment	USD Billion	0.0	0.3	0.0	6.4	7.6	10.0	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.6	1.4	1.8
3	Gross Domestic Product		2.6											
	GDP at Current Prices	USD Billion	14.0	16.7	15.1	210.1	228.3	242.0	65.7	75.4	66.2	74.0	76.2	78.3
	GDP Per Capita at Current Prices	USD	31,784.4	37,424.6	33,508.2	4,609.9	4,945.1	5,175.0	11,000.6	12,656.5	10,673.7	2,688.1	2,731.5	2,774.3
	GDP at Constant Prices	USD Billion	14.1	13.5	14.1	137.1	132.1	142.9	52.7	52.4	51.2	68.3	66.2	64.8
	GDP Growth at Constant Prices	Per cent	-1.6	-1.6	1.4	5.1	6.3	6.0	2.5	5.7	1.3	5.8	7.1	-0.1
4	Tourism													
	Inbound international tourist	'000 persons	3.5	35.7	133.6	10.4	79.3	136.0	33.2	1,089.2	2,752.3	24.7	247.3	943.3
	Domestic Arrivals	'000 persons	-	-	-	34,726.6	77,330.8	77,222.2	10,379.8	28,298.0	34,312.0	3,189.5	7,660.2	10,913.3
5	Trade in Goods													
	Total Trade	USD Billion	17.8	23.4	18.4	75.3	104.1	84.1	38.2	52.3	42.8	16.2	18.9	16.3
	Trade Balance	USD Billion	3.3	5.0	3.5	46.1	51.2	34.7	21.9	30.6	23.6	-1.2	-2.2	-1.7
	Inter-EAGA Imports	USD Billion	1.9	2.6	2.0	0.7	1.7	1.5	0.6	1.1	0.9	1.8	2.5	2.1
	Inter-EAGA Exports	USD Billion	1.1	2.5	1.1	7.2	11.1	7.5	1.9	2.6	2.1	0.3	0.6	0.2
	Extra-EAGA Imports	USD Billion	5.3	6.6	5.4	14.0	24.8	23.2	7.5	9.7	8.7	6.9	8.0	6.9
	Extra-EAGA Exports	USD Billion	9.4	11.7	9.9	53.5	66.6	51.8	28.1	38.8	31.1	7.2	7.7	7.1
	Intra-EAGA Imports	USD Billion	-	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	1.8	2.5	2.1
	Intra-EAGA Exports	USD Billion	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.6	1.0	0.9	1.4	1.2	0.3	0.6	0.2

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- (7) Domestic arrivals for Malaysia and Philippines are by number of persons. Meanwhile for Indonesia is by the number of trips.
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DEFINITION OF TERMS



- GDP AT CURRENT PRICES GDP at prices of the current reporting period. Also known as nominal GDP (OECD).
- GDP AT CONSTANT PRICES derived by extrapolating total value-added in the base year with production indicators in physical terms or by deflating current price values by a price deflator (UN). GDP at constant prices also known as Real GDP.
- 3. GDP PER CAPITA gross domestic product divided by total population.
- 4. INTERNATIONAL VISITOR an international traveller qualifies as an international visitor with respect to the country of reference if: (a) he/ she is on a tourism trip and (b) he/she is a nonresident travelling in the country of reference or a resident travelling outside of it (UNWTO).
- DOMESTIC VISITOR a visitor who travels within his/her country of residence, he/she is a domestic visitor and his/her activities are part of domestic tourism (UNWTO).
- 6. TOURIST ARRIVALS international inbound tourists (overnight visitors) are the number of tourists who travel to a country other than that in which they usually reside, and outside their usual enviroment, for a period not exceeding 12 months and whose main purpose in visiting is other than an activity remunerated from within the country visited. When data on number of tourists are not available, the number of visitors, which includes tourists, same-day visitors, cruise passengers, and crew members, is shown instead (UNWTO).
- TRADE IN GOODS includes all goods which add to, or subtract from, the stock of material resources of a country by entering its economic territory (imports) or leaving it (exports) (UNSD).
- FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT a catergory of cross-border investment in which an investor resident in one economy establishes a lasting interest in and a significant degree of influence over an enterprise resident in another economy (OECD).

- DOMESTIC INVESTMENT value of investments made by a company or entity based in that country.
- 10. REALISED FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT cross-border investment made by direct investors in direct investment enterprises in one economy that owns at least 10% of the voting power (and vice versa for investment abroad) in the form of financial instruments, namely equity, reinvestment of earnings and debt instruments (such as inter-company loans and advances and trade credits).
- 11. APPROVED FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT the amount of proposed contribution or share of foreigners to various projects in the economy. The approved foreign direct investment does not represent actual investment which may come in the near future. This consists of equity, loans and reinvested earnings.
- EAGA covers the provinces, states, and territories within the Subregional cooperation of BIMP-EAGA.
- INTER-EAGA EXPORTS value of exports from the subregion to any point in the member countries (from EAGA to BIMP).
- 14. INTER-EAGA IMPORTS value of imports from the subregion to any point in the member countries (to EAGA from BIMP).
- 15. INTRA-EAGA EXPORTS value of exports from EAGA to any point within the EAGA region.
- 16. INTRA-EAGA IMPORTS value of imports from EAGA to any point within the EAGA region.
- EXTRA-EAGA EXPORTS value of exports from the subregion to the rest of the world excluding exports from BIMP.
- EXTRA-EAGA IMPORTS value of imports from the subregion to the rest of the world excluding imports from BIMP.
- UNEMPLOYMENT people of working age who are without work, are available for work, and have taken specific steps to find work (ILO).

- 20. LABOUR FORCE comprises all persons of working age who furnish the supply of labour for the production of goods and sevices during a specified time-reference period. It refers to the sum of all persons of working age who are employed and those who are unemployed (ILO).
- POVERTY INCIDENCE proportion of families (or individuals) with per capita income/ expenditure less than the per capita poverty threshold to the number of families (or individuals).
- REST OF ASEAN covers the provinces, states and territories outside the subregional cooperation of BIMP-EAGA, but within the ASEAN.
- 23. REST OF BIMP covers the provinces, states and territories outside the subregional cooperation of BIMP-EAGA but within Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines.



NOTES



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Source: World Bank Open Data - July 2024
https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GDP.MKTP.PP.CD

Data Type: GDP (current LCU)

Source: World Bank Open Data - July 2024

https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GDP.MKTP.CN

Data Type: Country Data

Source: Data submissions from Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines

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