* After several years of erratic growth at the beginning of the 1990s, Tanzania's growth rates have stabilized at healthy development rates.

* Tanzania has begun to attract more foreign direct investment as its country risk rating by Pew Research Service steadily improves.

* Topped by a growing Gold trade abroad, most of Tanzania's non-gold trade is fairly well diversified.

* Tanzania's tourism industry has grown more than 10-fold over the past 12 years, and now its earnings are equal to more than half of the total goods export earnings.