



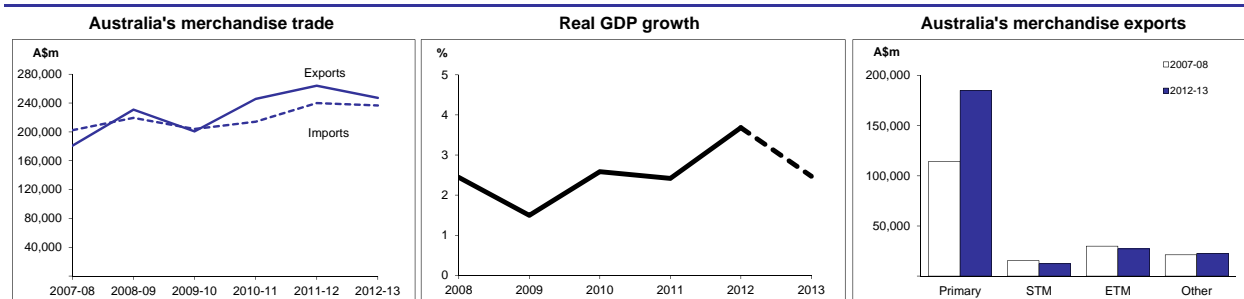
## General information:

*Fact sheets are updated biannually; June and December*

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| <b>Capital:</b>           | Canberra                     | <b>Head of State:</b>      | HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General HE General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) |
| <b>Surface area:</b>      | 7,692 thousand sq km         | <b>Head of Government:</b> | Prime Minister The Hon Mr Tony Abbott  |
| <b>Official language:</b> | English                      |                            |  |
| <b>Population:</b>        | 23.0 million (Mar 2013)      |                            |  |
| <b>Exchange rate:</b>     | A\$1 = US\$0.9042 (Aug 2013) |                            |  |

## Recent economic indicators:

|  | 2008    | 2009    | 2010    | 2011    | 2012(a) | 2013(b) |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| <b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>        | 1,034.2 | 976.4   | 1,244.8 | 1,491.0 | 1,541.4 | 1,488.0 |
| <b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$bn) (c):</b>             | 821.9   | 840.0   | 872.4   | 911.1   | 961.0   | 998.3   |
| <b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>                | 48,158  | 44,653  | 56,140  | 66,209  | 67,256  | 64,157  |
| <b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$) (c):</b>    | 38,271  | 38,414  | 39,348  | 40,470  | 41,954  | 43,042  |
| <b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy):</b>       | 2.4     | 1.5     | 2.6     | 2.4     | 3.7     | 2.5     |
| <b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>      | -45,579 | -42,423 | -36,977 | -33,846 | -56,850 | -50,340 |
| <b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>      | -4.4    | -4.3    | -3.0    | -2.3    | -3.7    | -3.4    |
| <b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b> | 22.4    | 19.8    | 20.8    | 21.7    | 20.2    | 21.3    |
| <b>Inflation (% change yoy):</b>             | 3.7     | 2.1     | 2.8     | 3.0     | 2.2     | 2.2     |



## Australia's trade and investment relationships (d):

|  |        |  |        |
|--|--------|--|--------|
| <b>Major Australian exports, 2012-13 (A\$m) (e):</b> |        | <b>Major Australian imports, 2012-13 (A\$m) (e):</b> |        |
| Iron ores & concentrates                             | 57,201 | Crude petroleum                                      | 20,186 |
| Coal   | 38,637 | Passenger motor vehicles                             | 17,330 |
| Gold   | 15,287 | Refined petroleum                                    | 16,868 |
| Natural gas  | 14,314 | Telecom equipment & parts                            | 8,916  |
| Crude petroleum                                      | 9,718  | Medicaments (incl veterinary)                        | 8,050  |

## Australian merchandise trade, 2012-13:

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Exports (A\$m):                         | 247,226 |
| Imports (A\$m):                         | 236,683 |
| Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m): | 483,910 |
| Merchandise trade surplus (A\$m):       | 10,543  |

## Australia's main export destinations, 2012-13 (e) (f):

| Rank | Destination       | Share (%) |
|------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1    | China             | 31.6%     |
| 2    | Japan             | 18.8%     |
| 3    | Republic of Korea | 7.7%      |
| 4    | India             | 4.6%      |
| 5    | United States     | 3.6%      |

## Australia's main import sources, 2012-13 (e):

| Rank | Source            | Share (%) |
|------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1    | China             | 18.8%     |
| 2    | United States (g) | 11.8%     |
| 3    | Japan             | 7.7%      |
| 4    | Singapore         | 6.1%      |
| 5    | Thailand          | 4.7%      |

## Australia's trade in services, 2012-13:

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Exports of services (A\$m):    | 52,411 |
| Imports of services (A\$m):    | 63,959 |
| Services trade deficit (A\$m): | 11,548 |

## Australia's investment links, as at 31 Dec 2012:

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Level of Australian investment abroad (A\$m):    | 1,297,633 |
| Level of foreign investment in Australia (A\$m): | 2,167,673 |

*Compiled by the Trade Advocacy and Statistics Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources.*

(a) All recent data subject to revision; (b) IMF/EIU forecast; (c) PPP is purchasing power parity; (d) Total may not add due to rounding; (e) Merchandise trade; (f) May exclude some confidential items of trade; (g) Based on unpublished ABS data and includes confidential aircraft imports. na Data not available. np Data not published. .. Data not meaningful.