



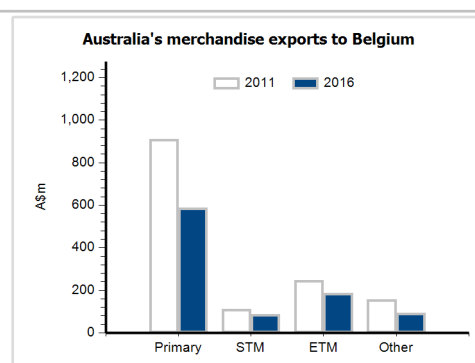
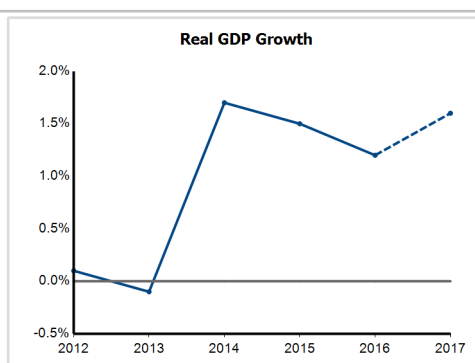
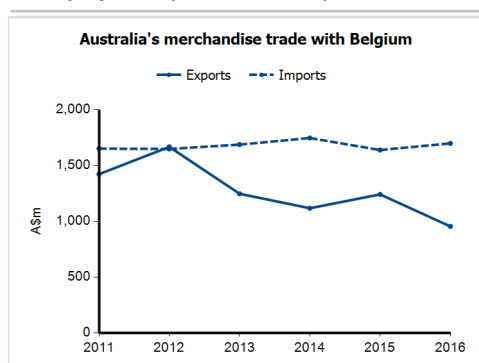
General information

Capital:	Brussels
Land area:	30,280 sq km
Official language(s):	Dutch, French, German
Population:	11.3 million (2016)
Currency:	Euro

Head of State	His Majesty King Philippe
Head of Government	Prime Minister Mr Charles Michel

Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	498.2	520.3	532.6	455.3	467.0	462.7
GDP per capita (US\$)	44,900.1	46,610.9	47,635.7	40,520.1	41,283.3	40,696.5
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	460.8	468.0	484.2	496.8	509.5	529.3
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	41,535.5	41,925.5	43,307.2	44,206.7	45,046.9	46,551.8
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	0.1	-0.1	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.6
Current account balance (US\$b)	-0.3	-1.7	-3.6	2.0	4.6	3.9
Current account balance (% GDP)	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	0.4	1.0	0.9
Inflation (% change yoy)	2.6	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.8	2.0
Unemployment (% labour force)	7.5	8.5	8.6	8.5	8.0	7.8



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Belgium (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Belgium, 2016 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports to Belgium	955	0.4%	26th	-23.1%
Imports from Belgium	1,700	0.6%	26th	3.6%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	2,656	0.5%	26th	-7.9%

Major Australian exports, 2016 (A\$m)

Oil-seeds & oleaginous fruits, soft	375
Non-ferrous waste & scrap	39
Other non-ferrous metals	37
Other ores & concentrates	36

Major Australian imports, 2016 (A\$m)

Medicaments (incl veterinary)	276
Passenger motor vehicles	196
Pharm products (excl medicaments)	163
Textile yarn	61

Australia's trade in services with Belgium, 2016 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports of services to Belgium	107	0.2%	49th	1.9%
Imports of services from Belgium	119	0.2%	47th	29.3%

Australia's investment relationship with Belgium, 2016 (A\$m)

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Belgium	3,290	np
Belgium's investment in Australia (c)	270,067	4,026

Belgium's global merchandise trade relationships

Belgium's principal export destinations, 2016

1 Germany	16.7%
2 France	15.4%
3 The Netherlands	11.2%
30 Australia	0.5%

Belgium's principal import sources, 2016

1 The Netherlands	16.1%
2 Germany	13.6%
3 France	9.5%
48 Australia	0.2%