



General information

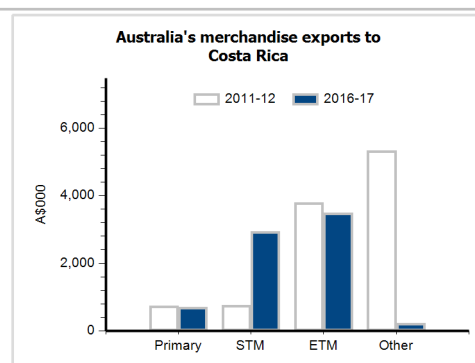
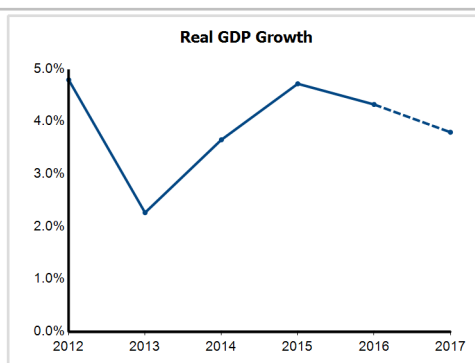
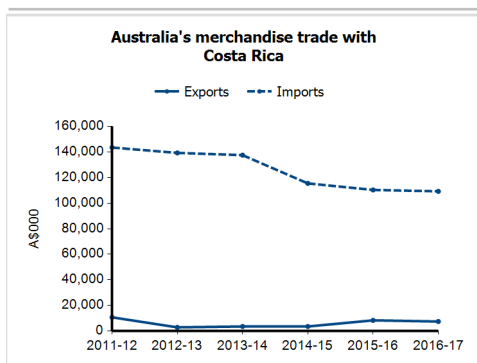
Capital:	San José
Land area:	51,060 sq km
Official language(s):	Spanish
Population:	4.9 million (2016)
Currency:	Costa Rican colone

Head of State and Head of Government

President HE Mr Luis Guillermo Solís Rivera

Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	47.0	50.3	51.3	55.5	58.1	58.9
GDP per capita (US\$)	10,098.8	10,677.8	10,695.7	11,436.0	11,836.4	11,856.8
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	65.8	68.4	72.1	76.4	80.7	85.2
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	14,138.7	14,503.8	15,050.3	15,740.6	16,433.7	17,149.0
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	4.8	2.3	3.7	4.7	4.3	3.8
Current account balance (US\$b)	-2.4	-2.4	-2.5	-2.4	-1.9	-2.3
Current account balance (% GDP)	-5.1	-4.8	-4.9	-4.3	-3.2	-3.9
Inflation (% change yoy)	4.5	5.2	4.5	0.8	0.0	1.7
Unemployment (% labour force)	7.8	8.3	9.6	9.7	9.3	8.1



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Costa Rica (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Costa Rica, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Exports to Costa Rica	7,344
Imports from Costa Rica	109,268
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	116,612

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Costa Rica	0.0%	125th	-11.0%
Imports from Costa Rica	0.0%	61st	-1.0%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.0%	78th	-1.7%

Major Australian exports, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Electrical circuits equipment	2,122
Aluminium	2,100
Fertilisers (excl crude)	347
Special yarns & fabrics	284

Major Australian imports, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Medical instruments (incl veterinary)	58,253
Misc manufactured articles, nes	18,593
Coffee & substitutes	18,246
Textile clothing accessories	3,362

Australia's trade in services with Costa Rica, 2016-17 (A\$m)

Exports of services to Costa Rica	5
Imports of services from Costa Rica	19

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Costa Rica	0.0%	123rd	25.0%
Imports of services from Costa Rica	0.0%	96th	35.7%

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

Australia's investment in Costa Rica	
Costa Rica's investment in Australia	

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Costa Rica	27	np
Costa Rica's investment in Australia	np	0

Costa Rica's global merchandise trade relationships

Costa Rica's principal export destinations, 2016

1 United States	41.0%
2 The Netherlands	5.8%
3 Panama	5.7%
33 Australia	0.2%

Costa Rica's principal import sources, 2016

1 United States	37.3%
2 China	13.6%
3 Mexico	7.0%
56 Australia	0.1%