



## General information

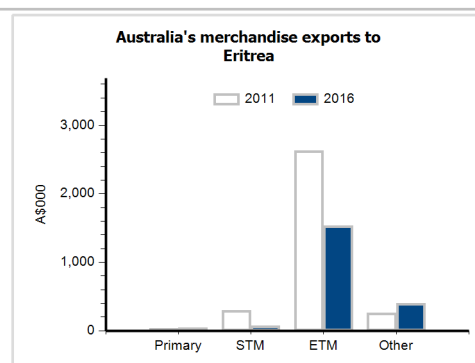
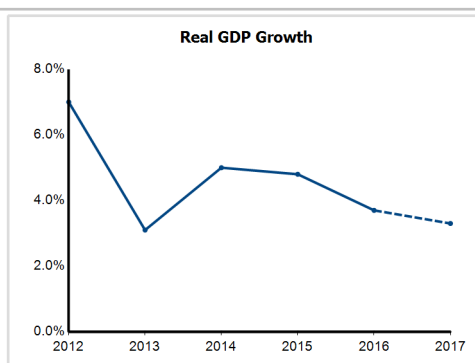
<b>Capital:</b>	Asmara
<b>Land area:</b>	101,000 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Arabic, Tigrinya, English
<b>Population:</b>	6.5 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	Nakfa

## Head of State and Head of Government

President HE Mr Isaias Afwerki

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	3.1	3.5	4.1	4.7	5.4	6.1
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	541.5	593.8	665.0	741.4	823.1	900.9
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	7.4	7.7	8.2	8.7	9.2	9.7
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	1,290.2	1,307.9	1,353.0	1,387.1	1,410.3	1,441.0
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	7.0	3.1	5.0	4.8	3.7	3.3
<b>Current account balance (US\$m)</b>	72.0	-3.0	23.0	-102.0	-3.0	30.0
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	2.3	-0.1	0.6	-2.2	-0.1	0.5
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	6.0	6.5	10.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	7.2	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.3	na



## Australia's trade and investment relationship with Eritrea (b)

### Australian merchandise trade with Eritrea, 2016 (A\$000)

Exports to Eritrea	2,059
Imports from Eritrea	32
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	2,091

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Eritrea	0.0%	158th	-76.0%
Imports from Eritrea	0.0%	197th	-85.1%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.0%	179th	-76.2%

### Major Australian exports, 2016 (A\$000)

Metal containers	321
Civil engineering equipment & parts	310
Pumps (excl liquid pumps) & parts	238
Plastic articles, nes	128

### Major Australian imports, 2016 (A\$000)

Electrical machinery & parts, nes	9
Measuring & analysing instruments	9
Specialised machinery & parts	4
Other textile clothing	4

\*Includes \$0.4m of special transactions, 20% of total exports.

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

Exports of services to Eritrea	1
Imports of services from Eritrea	2

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Eritrea	0.0%	154th	-75.0%
Imports of services from Eritrea	0.0%	147th	100.0%

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

Australia's investment in Eritrea	0
Eritrea's investment in Australia	0

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Eritrea	0	0
Eritrea's investment in Australia	0	0

## Eritrea's global merchandise trade relationships

### Eritrea's principal export destinations, 2014

1 China	57.4%
2 India	35.5%
3 Republic of Korea	3.5%
45 Australia	0.0%

### Eritrea's principal import sources, 2014

1 China	29.0%
2 Egypt	16.1%
3 Germany	8.2%
20 Australia	0.5%