

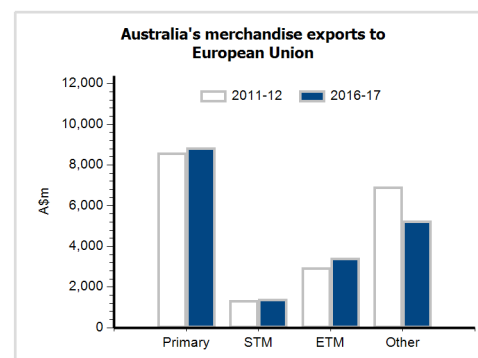
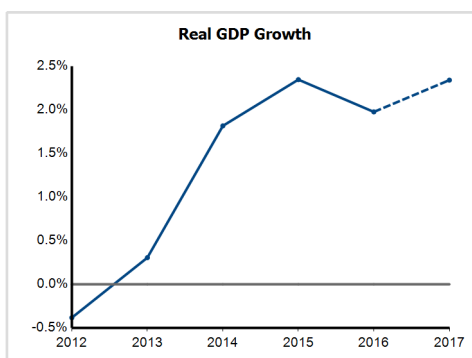
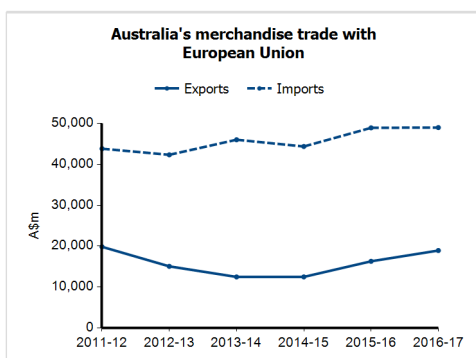


## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Brussels	<b>President of the European Commission</b>
<b>Land area:</b>	4,236,562 sq km	Mr Jean-Claude Juncker
<b>Population:</b>	508.8 million (2016)	<b>President of the European Council</b>
<b>Currency:</b>	Euro	Mr Donald Tusk
<b>Members:</b>	Austria*, Belgium*, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus*, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia*, Finland*, France*, Germany*, Greece*, Hungary, Ireland*, Italy*, Latvia*, Lithuania*, Luxembourg*, Malta*, Netherlands*, Poland, Portugal*, Romania, Slovak Republic*, Slovenia*, Spain*, Sweden, United Kingdom (* denotes Eurozone).	

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	17,288.2	18,009.2	18,626.3	16,371.3	16,447.5	17,112.9
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	34,355.0	35,708.5	36,842.3	32,280.1	32,328.0	33,553.6
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	17,769.5	18,107.9	18,764.3	19,397.3	20,030.9	20,854.8
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	35,311.5	35,904.4	37,115.1	38,246.5	39,371.0	40,890.8
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	-0.4	0.3	1.8	2.3	2.0	2.3
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	203.8	300.5	310.2	359.9	359.7	404.9
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	1.2	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.2	2.4
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	2.6	1.5	0.5	0.0	0.2	1.7
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	10.5	10.9	10.2	9.4	8.6	na



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

Australian merchandise trade with European Union, 2016-17 (A\$m)	Totals share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to European Union	6.5%	..	16.5%
Imports from European Union	17.6%	..	0.1%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	11.9%	..	4.2%

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

Coal	4,206
Gold	3,986
Oil-seeds & oleaginous fruits, soft	1,874
Lead	591

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

Passenger motor vehicles	6,682
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	4,689
Pharm products (excl medicaments)	2,430
Goods vehicles	1,038

### Australia's trade in services with European Union, 2016-17 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to European Union	14.2%	..	0.6%
Imports of services from European Union	23.7%	..	-7.0%

### Major Australian services exports, 2016-17 (A\$m)

Personal travel excluding education	5,052
Education-related travel	1,514

### Major Australian services imports, 2016-17 (A\$m)

Personal travel excluding education	8,310
Transport	3,318

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

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in European Union	610,978	104,911
European Union's investment in Australia	1,072,240	164,822

## European Union's global merchandise trade relationships

### European Union's principal export destinations, 2016

1 United States	20.6%
2 China	9.6%
3 Switzerland	8.1%
15 Australia	1.8%

### European Union's principal import sources, 2016

1 China	20.1%
2 United States	14.4%
3 Switzerland	7.1%
26 Australia	0.8%