



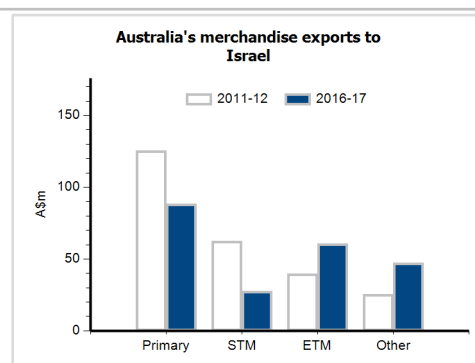
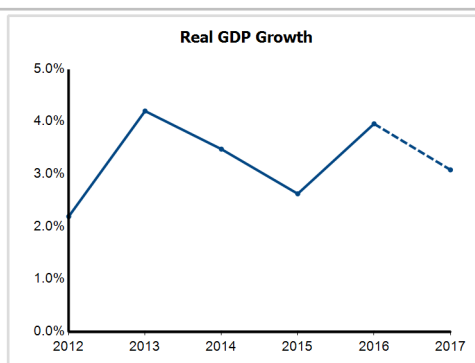
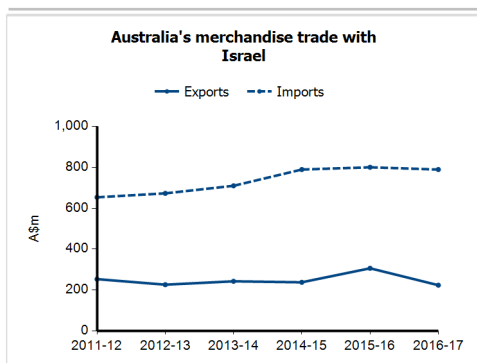
## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Tel Aviv
<b>Land area:</b>	21,640 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Hebrew, Arabic
<b>Population:</b>	8.5 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	New Sheqalim

<b>Head of State</b>
President HE Mr Reuven Rivlin
<b>Head of Government</b>
Prime Minister HE Mr Benjamin Netanyahu

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	257.3	292.5	308.4	299.1	317.7	348.0
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	32,539.3	36,307.2	37,556.3	35,705.4	37,192.1	39,974.3
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	247.0	261.5	275.5	285.8	300.9	315.6
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	31,236.0	32,463.7	33,546.0	34,116.8	35,220.0	36,249.9
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	2.2	4.2	3.5	2.6	4.0	3.1
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	1.1	9.1	12.4	14.5	11.6	14.3
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	0.4	3.1	4.0	4.8	3.6	4.1
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	1.7	1.5	0.5	-0.6	-0.5	0.2
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	6.9	6.3	6.0	5.3	4.8	4.3



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

## Australian merchandise trade with Israel, 2016-17 (A\$m)

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Israel	224	0.1%	49th	-27.0%
Imports from Israel	789	0.3%	34th	-1.4%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	1,013	0.2%	39th	-8.5%

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

Live animals (excl seafood)	68
Pearls & gems	17
Plastic plates, sheets & film	11
Beef, f.c.f.	9

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

Mineral manufactures, nes	133
Pearls & gems	63
Plastic plates, sheets & film	55
Telecom equipment & parts	39

\*Includes \$46.1m of confidential items & special transactions, 21% of total exports.

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Israel	60	0.1%	70th	30.4%
Imports of services from Israel	168	0.2%	41st	0.0%

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

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Israel	807	0
Israel's investment in Australia	302	np

## Israel's global merchandise trade relationships

## Israel's principal export destinations, 2016

1 United States	29.5%
2 Hong Kong (SAR of China)	7.4%
3 United Kingdom	6.5%
22 Australia	0.8%

## Israel's principal import sources, 2016

1 China	12.1%
2 United States	12.1%
3 Germany	6.5%
40 Australia	0.3%