



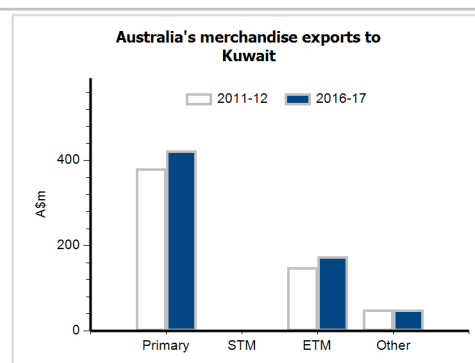
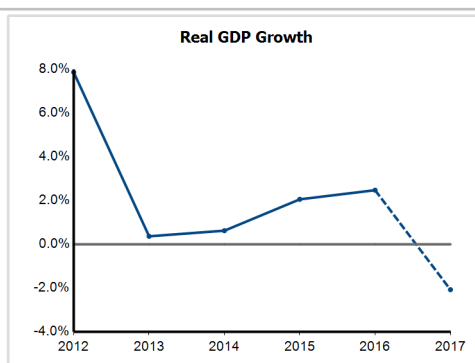
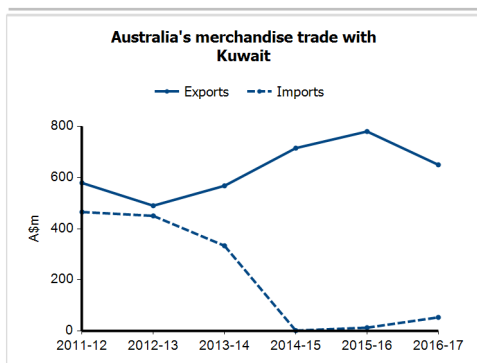
General information

Capital:	Kuwait City
Land area:	17,820 sq km
Official language(s):	Arabic
Population:	4.2 million (2016)
Currency:	Kuwaiti dinar

Head of State	Emir HH Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber Al-Sabah
Head of Government	Prime Minister HH Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah

Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	174.1	174.2	162.7	114.6	110.9	118.3
GDP per capita (US\$)	45,993.7	44,775.4	40,688.8	27,884.8	26,244.8	27,236.7
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	271.5	276.9	283.6	292.6	303.7	302.5
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	71,743.5	71,183.6	70,933.8	71,191.4	71,877.8	69,669.5
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	7.9	0.4	0.6	2.1	2.5	-2.1
Current account balance (US\$b)	79.1	69.5	54.4	4.0	-5.0	-0.7
Current account balance (% GDP)	45.5	39.9	33.4	3.5	-4.5	-0.6
Inflation (% change yoy)	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.5	2.5
Unemployment (% labour force)	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1



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

Australian merchandise trade with Kuwait, 2016-17 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Kuwait	0.2%	33rd	-16.7%
Imports from Kuwait	0.0%	71st	320.6%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.1%	46th	-11.4%

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

Passenger motor vehicles	150
Wheat	131
Live animals (excl seafood)	79
Meat (excl beef), f.c.f.	59

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

Fertilisers (excl crude)	52
Liquefied propane & butane	0
Rubber tyres, treads & tubes	0
Vehicle parts & accessories	0

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

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Kuwait	0.1%	63rd	4.5%
Imports of services from Kuwait	0.0%	107th	30.0%

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

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Kuwait	np	np
Kuwait's investment in Australia	8,396	4,158

Kuwait's global merchandise trade relationships

Kuwait's principal export destinations, 2016

1 Republic of Korea	16.7%
2 China	14.3%
3 Japan	9.6%
53 Australia	0.0%

Kuwait's principal import sources, 2016

1 China	13.6%
2 United States	11.5%
3 United Arab Emirates	8.1%
18 Australia	1.3%