



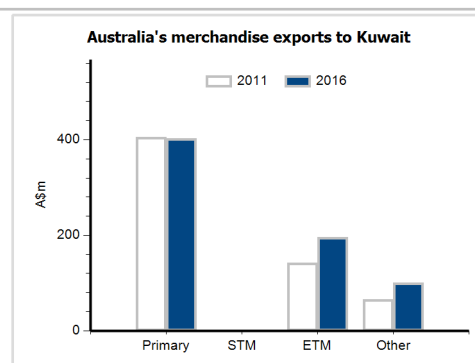
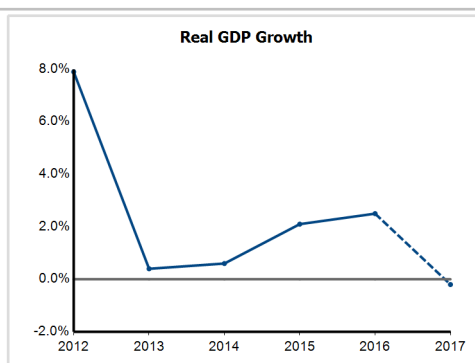
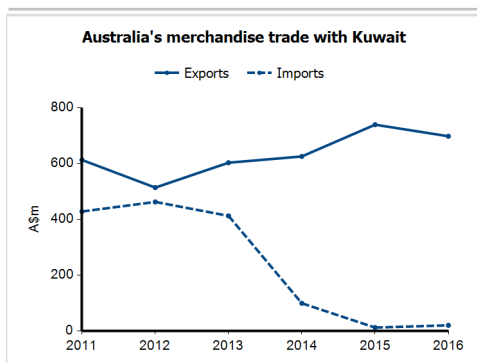
## General information

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

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

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	174.1	174.2	162.7	114.1	109.9	127.0
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	45,993.7	44,775.4	40,688.8	27,756.4	26,004.7	29,240.2
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	271.5	276.9	283.6	292.6	303.7	309.6
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	71,743.5	71,183.6	70,930.8	71,182.3	71,887.3	71,307.0
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	7.9	0.4	0.6	2.1	2.5	-0.2
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	79.1	69.5	54.4	6.0	3.0	10.4
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	45.5	39.9	33.4	5.2	2.7	8.2
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	3.2	2.7	2.9	3.2	3.2	4.2
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	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 (A\$m)

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Kuwait	699	0.3%	30th	-5.6%
Imports from Kuwait	20	0.0%	93rd	66.7%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	719	0.1%	45th	-4.5%

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

Passenger motor vehicles	172
Wheat	108
Barley	84
Live animals (excl seafood)	71

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

Fertilisers (excl crude)	18
Pumps (excl liquid pumps) & parts	1

\*Includes \$100.1m of confidential items & special transactions, 14% of total exports.

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Kuwait	52	0.1%	69th	-1.9%
Imports of services from Kuwait	12	0.0%	102nd	9.1%

## 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, 2015

1 Republic of Korea	14.5%
2 China	12.1%
3 India	12.1%
55 Australia	0.0%

## Kuwait's principal import sources, 2015

1 China	13.2%
2 United States	9.6%
3 Saudi Arabia	7.7%
14 Australia	1.9%