



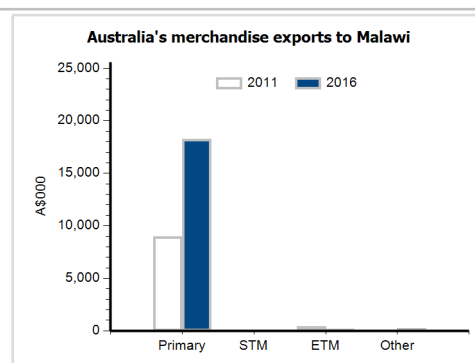
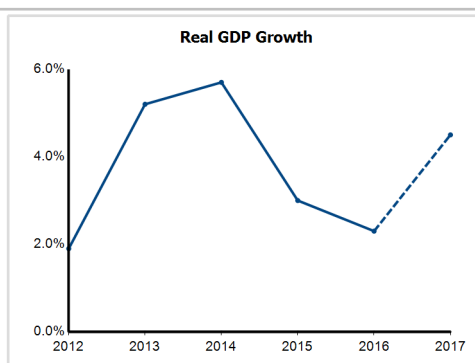
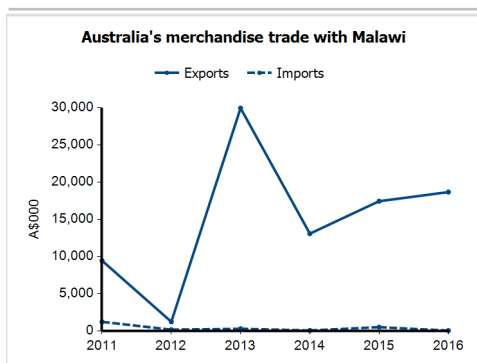
## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Lilongwe
<b>Land area:</b>	94,280 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Chichewa, English
<b>Population:</b>	18.6 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	Kwacha

**Head of State and Head of Government**  
President Professor Arthur Peter Mutharika

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	6.0	5.4	6.1	6.4	5.5	6.2
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	359.6	317.5	344.0	353.8	294.8	322.5
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	17.0	18.2	19.6	20.4	21.1	22.6
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	1,024.9	1,064.9	1,113.7	1,126.4	1,134.5	1,177.8
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	1.9	5.2	5.7	3.0	2.3	4.5
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	-0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	-0.8	-0.8
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	-9.2	-8.4	-8.4	-9.4	-15.5	-12.5
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	21.3	28.3	23.8	21.9	21.7	12.9
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.7	na



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

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

		<b>Total share</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Growth (yoy)</b>
Exports to Malawi	18,681	0.0%	95th	7.0%
Imports from Malawi	40	0.0%	194th	-92.0%
<b>Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)</b>	<b>18,721</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>125th</b>	<b>4.3%</b>

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

Wheat	18,223
Optical instruments	66
Worn clothing & rags	61
Heating & cooling equipment & parts	46

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

Tea & mate	35
Telecom equipment & parts	5

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

		<b>Total share</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Growth (yoy)</b>
Exports of services to Malawi	9	0.0%	108th	-50.0%
Imports of services from Malawi	9	0.0%	112th	0.0%

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

	<b>Total</b>	<b>FDI</b>
Australia's investment in Malawi	np	np
Malawi's investment in Australia	np	0

## Malawi's global merchandise trade relationships

### Malawi's principal export destinations, 2015

1 Belgium	10.6%
2 Zimbabwe	9.3%
3 Mozambique	9.2%
42 Australia	0.2%

### Malawi's principal import sources, 2015

1 South Africa	18.1%
2 China	13.1%
3 United Arab Emirates	11.0%
28 Australia	0.6%