



General information

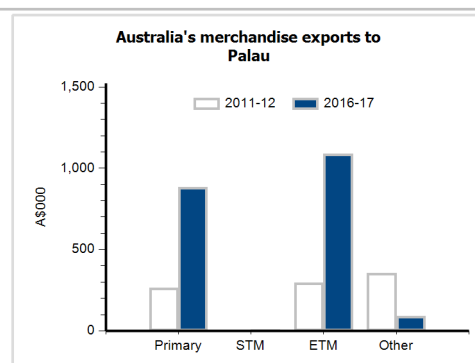
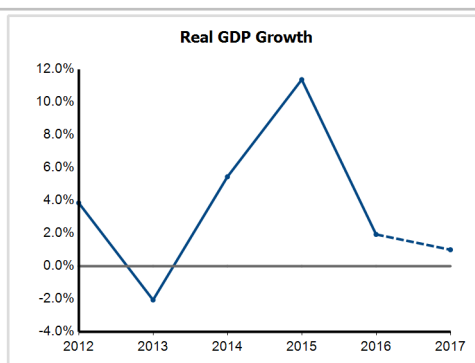
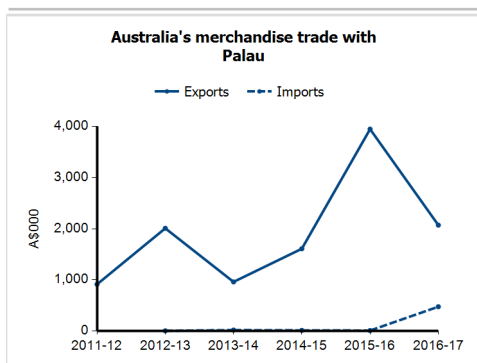
Capital:	Melekeok
Land area:	460 sq km
Official language(s):	Palauan, English
Population:	18,000 (2016) United
Currency:	States dollar

Head of State and Head of Government

President HE Tommy Esang Remengesau, Jr.

Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
GDP (US\$m) (current prices)	215.0	228.0	246.0	298.0	310.0	321.0
GDP per capita (US\$)	12,329.9	13,005.3	13,917.0	16,642.5	17,175.5	17,570.5
GDP PPP (Int'l \$m)	236.0	234.0	252.0	283.0	292.0	301.0
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	13,503.2	13,371.8	14,210.9	15,839.5	16,189.8	16,471.9
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	3.9	-2.1	5.4	11.4	1.9	1.0
Current account balance (US\$m)	-24.0	-27.0	-37.0	-23.0	-32.0	-39.0
Current account balance (% GDP)	-11.2	-11.6	-15.0	-7.7	-10.3	-12.1
Inflation (% change yoy)	3.6	3.4	4.1	0.9	-1.0	1.5
Unemployment (% labour force)	na	na	na	na	na	na



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

Australian merchandise trade with Palau, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Exports to Palau	2,070
Imports from Palau	473
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	2,544

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Palau	0.0%	159th	-47.6%
Imports from Palau	0.0%	165th	..
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.0%	176th	-35.7%

Major Australian exports, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Telecom equipment & parts	494
Meat, prepared or preserved	461
Tobacco, manufactured	364
Pumps for liquids & parts	147

Major Australian imports, 2016-17 (A\$000)

Computer parts & accessories	276
Artwork & antiques	162
Musical instruments & parts	23
Photographic equipment	5

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

Exports of services to Palau	0
Imports of services from Palau	1

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Palau	0.0%	..	-100.0%
Imports of services from Palau	0.0%	166th	-50.0%

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

Australia's investment in Palau	0
Palau's investment in Australia	np

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Palau	0	0
Palau's investment in Australia	np	0

Palau's global merchandise trade relationships

Palau's principal export destinations, 2016

1 United States	8.8%
2 Guam	3.9%
3 Taiwan	1.9%
<i>na Australia</i>	<i>na</i>

Palau's principal import sources, 2016

1 United States	42.0%
2 Japan	13.0%
3 Singapore	11.4%
<i>10 Australia</i>	<i>1.1%</i>