



# REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



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## General information

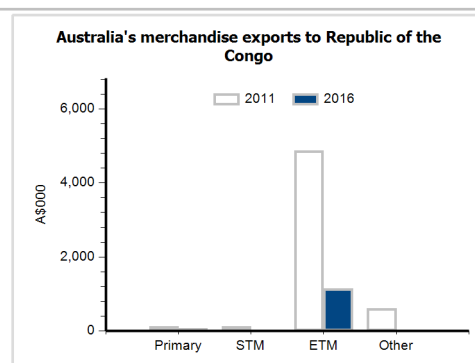
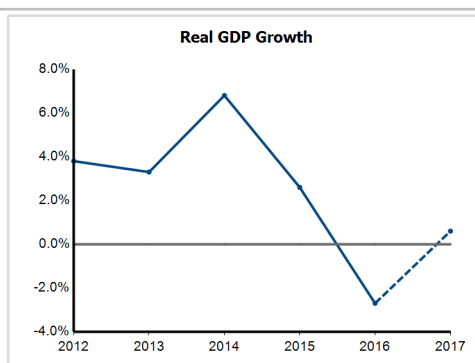
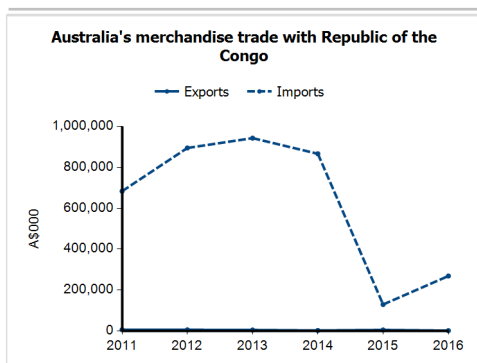
<b>Capital:</b>	Brazzaville
<b>Land area:</b>	341,500 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	French
<b>Population:</b>	4.5 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	CFA Franc

### Head of State and Head of Government

President Denis Sassou-Nguesso

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	13.7	14.0	14.1	8.6	8.0	8.3
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	3,339.1	3,353.8	3,298.7	1,958.1	1,783.5	1,831.4
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	25.5	26.8	29.1	30.2	29.8	30.6
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	6,236.8	6,403.9	6,814.6	6,916.1	6,676.1	6,720.7
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	3.8	3.3	6.8	2.6	-2.7	0.6
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	2.4	0.2	-1.6	-3.7	-2.3	-0.4
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	17.7	1.7	-11.6	-42.9	-28.5	-4.7
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	5.0	4.6	0.9	2.7	3.6	1.3
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.6	11.2	na



## Australia's trade and investment relationship with Republic of the Congo (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Republic of the Congo, 2016 (A\$000)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Republic of the Congo	0.0%	175th	-74.7%
Imports from Republic of the Congo	0.1%	52nd	107.9%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.1%	62nd	101.4%

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

Measuring & analysing instruments	465
Computers	400
Civil engineering equipment & parts	144
Hand or machine tools	55

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

Crude petroleum	268,390
Refined petroleum	88
Telecom equipment & parts	22
Veneers, plywood & particle board	21

### Australia's trade in services with Republic of the Congo, 2016 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Republic of the Congo	0.0%	154th	-95.0%
Imports of services from Republic of the Congo	0.0%	147th	-71.4%

### Australia's investment relationship with Republic of the Congo, 2016 (A\$m)

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Republic of the Congo	73	63
Republic of the Congo's investment in Australia	np	np

## Republic of the Congo's global merchandise trade relationships

### Republic of the Congo's principal export destinations, 2015

1 China	42.1%
2 Italy	16.9%
3 United States	4.9%
10 Australia	1.7%

### Republic of the Congo's principal import sources, 2015

1 China	20.3%
2 France	14.2%
3 Republic of Korea	9.8%
50 Australia	0.1%