



## General information

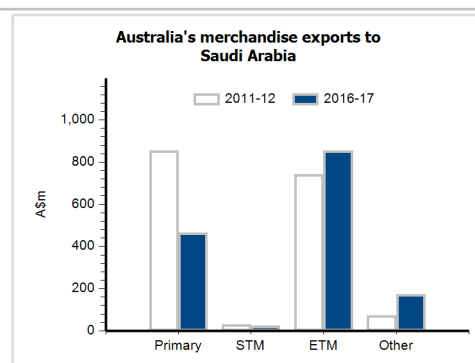
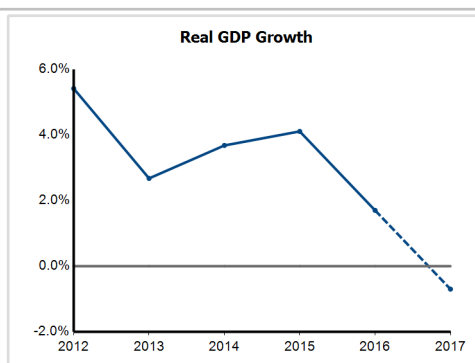
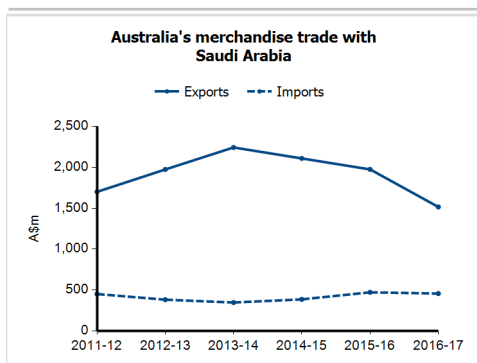
<b>Capital:</b>	Riyadh
<b>Land area:</b>	2,149,690 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Arabic
<b>Population:</b>	31.7 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	Riyal

## Head of State and Head of Government

HM King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud

## Economic indicators (a)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	736.0	746.6	756.4	654.3	646.4	678.5
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	25,208.2	24,893.0	24,580.5	21,094.6	20,365.0	20,957.2
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	1,471.0	1,534.7	1,619.7	1,704.5	1,756.3	1,789.3
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	50,383.7	51,166.9	52,639.1	54,956.2	55,330.5	55,262.7
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	5.4	2.7	3.7	4.1	1.7	-0.7
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	164.8	135.4	73.8	-56.7	-27.5	4.3
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	22.4	18.1	9.8	-8.7	-4.3	0.6
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	2.9	3.5	2.7	2.2	3.5	-0.2
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	na



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Saudi Arabia, 2016-17 (A\$m)

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Saudi Arabia	1,516	0.5%	22nd	-23.2%
Imports from Saudi Arabia	457	0.2%	44th	-3.2%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	1,973	0.3%	31st	-19.4%

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

Passenger motor vehicles	679
Meat (excl beef), f.c.f.	127
Barley	109
Beef, f.c.f.	76

\*Includes \$173.3m of confidential items &amp; special transactions, 11% of total exports.

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

Fertilisers (excl crude)	232
Alcohols, phenols & derivatives	29
Manufactures of base metal, nes	13
Inorganic chemical elements	10

\*Includes \$173.3m of confidential items &amp; special transactions, 30% of total imports.

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Saudi Arabia	362	0.4%	31st	-3.2%
Imports of services from Saudi Arabia	60	0.1%	65th	-9.1%

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

Education-related travel	284
Professional, Technical & other Business	39

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

Personal travel excluding education	36
Business-related travel	10

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

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Saudi Arabia	1,161	np
Saudi Arabia's investment in Australia	3,952	887

## Saudi Arabia's global merchandise trade relationships

### Saudi Arabia's principal export destinations, 2016

1 Japan	14.1%
2 China	13.9%
3 India	10.3%
51 Australia	0.1%

### Saudi Arabia's principal import sources, 2016

1 United States	14.8%
2 China	14.3%
3 Germany	6.5%
23 Australia	1.0%