



## General information

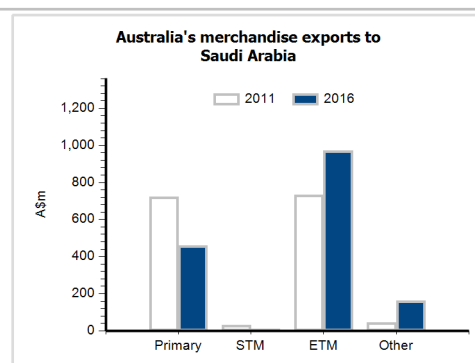
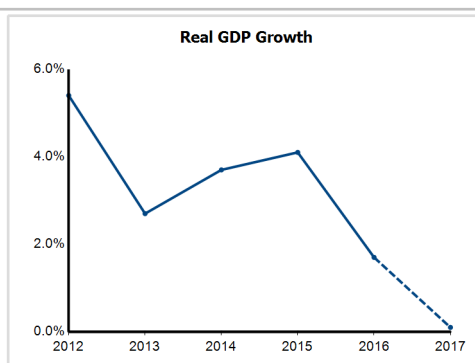
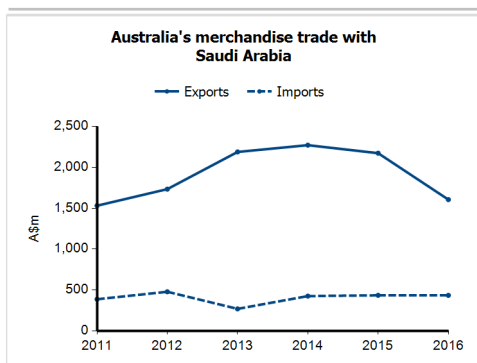
<b>Capital:</b>	Riyadh
<b>Land area:</b>	2,149,690 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Arabic
<b>Population:</b>	31.7 million (2016)
<b>Currency:</b>	Riyal

## 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	651.8	639.6	707.4
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	25,208.2	24,893.0	24,580.5	21,013.6	20,150.1	21,847.9
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	1,471.0	1,534.7	1,619.7	1,704.3	1,750.9	1,796.2
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	50,383.7	51,166.9	52,636.9	54,949.3	55,158.2	55,477.1
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	5.4	2.7	3.7	4.1	1.7	0.1
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	164.8	135.4	73.8	-56.7	-24.9	10.8
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	22.4	18.1	9.8	-8.7	-3.9	1.5
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	2.9	3.5	2.7	2.2	3.5	3.8
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.7	na



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

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Saudi Arabia	1,606	0.6%	21st	-26.1%
Imports from Saudi Arabia	435	0.2%	43rd	0.0%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	2,041	0.4%	30th	-21.8%

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

Passenger motor vehicles	797
Meat (excl beef), f.c.f.	116
Beef, f.c.f.	92
Barley	59

*\*Includes \$162.8m of confidential items & special transactions, 10% of total exports.*

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

Fertilisers (excl crude)	184
Alcohols, phenols & derivatives	29
Manufactures of base metal, nes	24
Refined petroleum	19

*\*Includes \$129.7m of confidential items & special transactions, 30% of total imports.*

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Saudi Arabia	315	0.4%	32nd	-7.1%
Imports of services from Saudi Arabia	53	0.1%	70th	-1.9%

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

Education-related travel	232
Professional, technical & other business	45

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

Personal travel excluding education	29
Business-related travel	11

### 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, 2015

1 China	12.7%
2 Japan	10.6%
3 United States	9.3%
46 Australia	0.2%

### Saudi Arabia's principal import sources, 2015

1 China	13.9%
2 United States	12.6%
3 Germany	7.0%
22 Australia	1.0%