



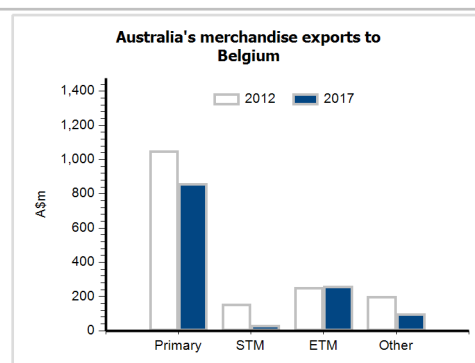
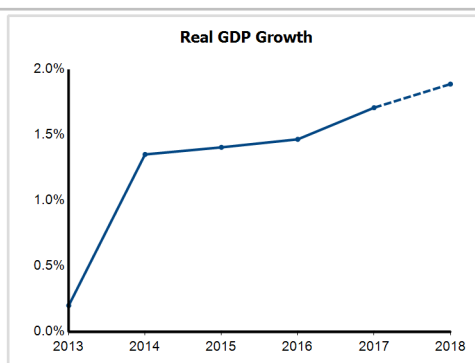
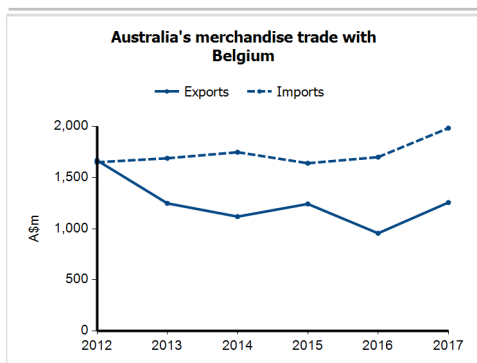
## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Brussels
<b>Land area:</b>	30,280 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Dutch, French, German
<b>Population:</b>	11.4 million (2017)
<b>Currency:</b>	Euro

<b>Head of State</b>	His Majesty King Philippe
<b>Head of Government</b>	Prime Minister Mr Charles Michel

## Economic indicators (a)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	521.1	531.9	455.4	468.1	494.7	562.2
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	46,785.0	47,574.2	40,528.5	41,388.3	43,582.2	49,272.0
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	469.7	484.6	496.7	510.4	528.5	550.7
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	42,168.3	43,338.4	44,200.7	45,124.2	46,553.1	48,258.4
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	0.2	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.9
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	-1.7	-4.6	-0.7	0.5	0.5	1.9
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.8	2.2	1.6
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	8.5	8.6	8.5	7.9	7.2	7.0



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Belgium, 2017 (A\$m)

Exports to Belgium	1,256
Imports from Belgium	1,984
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	3,241

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Belgium	0.4%	27th	31.5%
Imports from Belgium	0.7%	25th	16.7%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.5%	23rd	22.0%

### Major Australian exports, 2017 (A\$m)

Oil-seeds & oleaginous fruits, soft	465
Coal	202
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	52
Other ores & concentrates	50

### Major Australian imports, 2017 (A\$m)

Passenger motor vehicles	415
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	255
Pharm products (excl medicaments)	213
Agric machinery (excl tractors) & parts	59

### Australia's trade in services with Belgium, 2017 (A\$m)

Exports of services to Belgium	180
Imports of services from Belgium	138

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Belgium	0.2%	42nd	46.3%
Imports of services from Belgium	0.2%	49th	11.3%

### Australia's investment relationship with Belgium, 2017 (A\$m)

Australia's investment in Belgium	
Belgium's investment in Australia (c)	

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Belgium	4,486	np
Belgium's investment in Australia (c)	305,323	2,445

## Belgium's global merchandise trade relationships

### Belgium's principal export destinations, 2017

1 Germany	16.6%
2 France	14.9%
3 The Netherlands	12.0%
30 Australia	0.5%

### Belgium's principal import sources, 2017

1 The Netherlands	17.2%
2 Germany	13.8%
3 France	9.5%
42 Australia	0.3%