

## **COSTA RICA**



## **General information**

Fact sheets are updated biannually; August and February

Capital:San JoséLand area:51,060 sq km

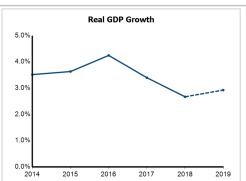
**Official language(s):** Spanish

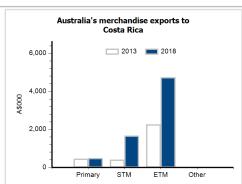
**Population:** 5.0 million (2018) **Currency:** Costa Rican colone

Head of Sta	ite and Head o	f Government
President HE	Mr Carlos Alvar	ado Ouesada

Economic indicators (a)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	51.2	55.4	57.8	58.7	59.0	60.5
GDP per capita (US\$)	10,679.1	11,422.6	11,779.2	11,810.2	11,744.4	11,895.2
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	72.3	75.7	79.8	84.0	88.2	92.4
GDP per capita PPP (Int'I \$)	15,076.0	15,600.8	16,245.5	16,919.9	17,559.1	18,182.5
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	3.5	3.6	4.2	3.4	2.7	2.9
Current account balance (US\$b)	-2.5	-1.9	-1.3	-1.8	-1.9	-1.9
Current account balance (% GDP)	-4.8	-3.5	-2.2	-3.0	-3.2	-3.2
Inflation (% change yoy)	4.5	0.8	0.0	1.6	2.3	2.6
Unemployment (% labour force)	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.3	10.2	9.7







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

Australian merchandise trade with Costa Rica, 2	018 (A\$000)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports to Costa Rica	6,922	0.0%	125th	31.4%	
Imports from Costa Rica	127,976	0.0%	64th	7.8%	
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	134,898	0.0%	82nd	8.8%	
Major Australian exports, 2018 (A\$000)		Major Australian imports, 2018 (A\$0	000)		
Ships, boats & floating structures	1,506	Medical instruments (incl veterinary)		81,243	
Electrical circuits equipment	857	Misc manufactured articles, nes	18,604		
Fertilisers (excl crude)	660	Coffee & substitutes		10,512	
Paper & paperboard	607	Textile clothing accessories		6,718	
Australia's trade in services with Costa Rica, 201	8 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports of services to Costa Rica	6	0.0%	127th	20.0%	
Imports of services from Costa Rica	22	0.0%	103rd	22.2%	
Australia's investment relationship with Costa R	ica, 2018 (A\$m)		Total	FDI	
Australia's investment in Costa Rica			40	пр	

## Costa Rica's global merchandise trade relationships

Costa Rica's investment in Australia

Costa Rica's principal export destinations, 2018		18	
1 United States	39.5%	1 United States	42.7%
2 The Netherlands	5.8%	2 China	12.8%
3 Belgium	5.6%	3 Mexico	7.0%
37 Australia	0.2%	63 Australia	0.0%