



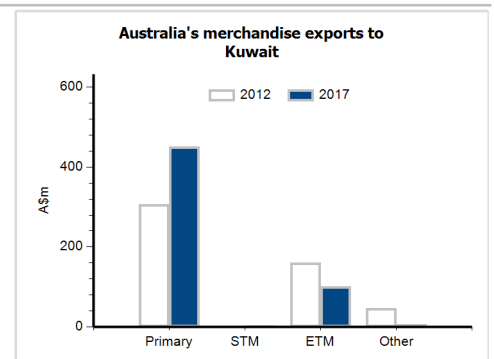
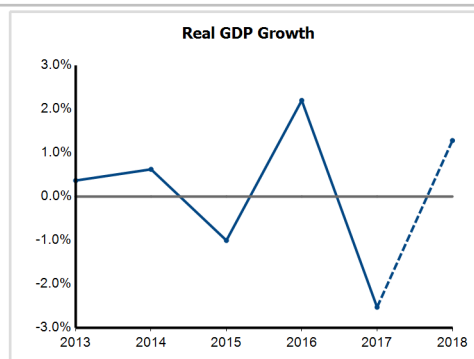
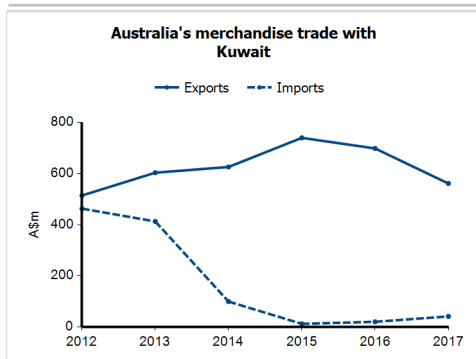
General information

Capital:	Kuwait City
Land area:	17,820 sq km
Official language(s):	Arabic
Population:	4.4 million (2017)
Currency:	Kuwaiti dinar

Head of State	Emir HH Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber Al-Sabah
Head of Government	Prime Minister HH Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah

Economic indicators (a)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	174.2	162.7	114.6	110.9	120.4	135.3
GDP per capita (US\$)	44,754.3	40,278.0	27,036.1	25,868.7	27,318.5	29,879.8
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	276.9	283.6	283.8	293.8	291.5	301.9
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	71,150.1	70,217.7	66,956.4	68,539.6	66,162.9	66,673.0
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	0.4	0.6	-1.0	2.2	-2.5	1.3
Current account balance (US\$b)	70.2	54.4	4.0	-5.0	2.4	7.8
Current account balance (% GDP)	40.3	33.4	3.5	-4.5	2.0	5.8
Inflation (% change yoy)	2.7	3.1	3.7	3.5	1.5	2.5
Unemployment (% labour force)	1.9	1.7	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Kuwait (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Kuwait, 2017 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Kuwait	0.2%	33rd	-19.6%
Imports from Kuwait	0.0%	75th	105.8%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.1%	48th	-16.2%

Major Australian exports, 2017 (A\$m)	Value	Major Australian imports, 2017 (A\$m)	Value
Wheat	151	Fertilisers (excl crude)	40
Live animals (excl seafood)	83	Vehicle parts & accessories	0
Passenger motor vehicles	77	Rubber tyres, treads & tubes	0
Meat (excl beef), f.c.f.	70	Electrical machinery & parts, nes	0

Australia's trade in services with Kuwait, 2017 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Kuwait	0.1%	66th	1.5%
Imports of services from Kuwait	0.0%	110th	-7.7%

Australia's investment relationship with Kuwait, 2017 (A\$m)	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Kuwait	115	np
Kuwait's investment in Australia	8,739	np

Kuwait's global merchandise trade relationships

Kuwait's principal export destinations, 2017

1 Republic of Korea	18.3%
2 China	17.4%
3 Japan	11.5%
40 Australia	0.1%

Kuwait's principal import sources, 2017

1 China	16.3%
2 United States	10.2%
3 United Arab Emirates	8.7%
15 Australia	1.6%