



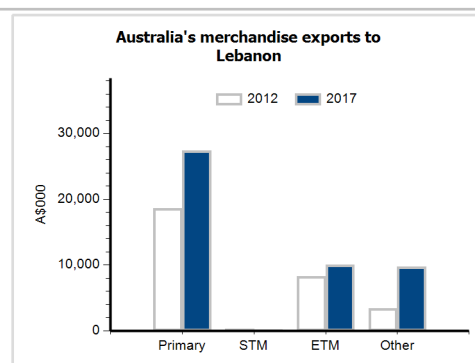
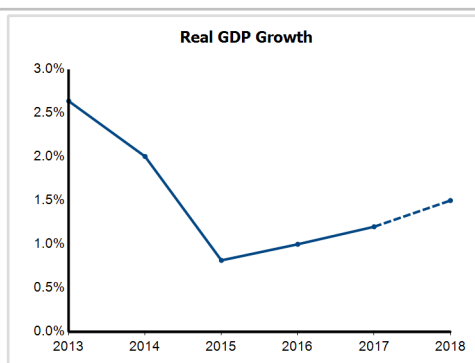
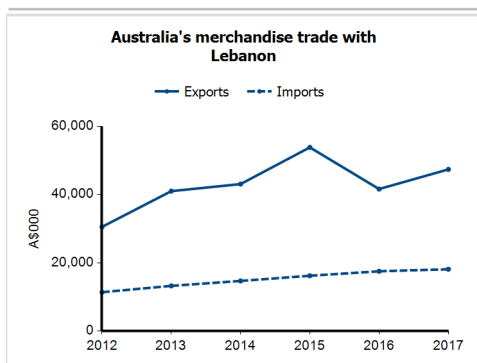
## General information

|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Capital:</b>              | Beirut             |
| <b>Land area:</b>            | 10,230 sq km       |
| <b>Official language(s):</b> | Arabic             |
| <b>Population:</b>           | 4.5 million (2017) |
| <b>Currency:</b>             | Lebanese pound     |

|                           |                                  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Head of State</b>      | President HE General Michel Aoun |
| <b>Head of Government</b> | Prime Minister HE Mr Saad Hariri |

## Economic indicators (a)

|                                        | 2013     | 2014     | 2015     | 2016     | 2017     | 2018     |
|----------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>    | 46.0     | 47.8     | 49.5     | 49.6     | 51.5     | 53.6     |
| <b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>           | 10,399.0 | 10,810.1 | 11,177.5 | 11,105.1 | 11,408.8 | 11,775.2 |
| <b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>             | 78.6     | 81.6     | 83.2     | 85.1     | 87.7     | 91.0     |
| <b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>   | 17,769.6 | 18,450.8 | 18,803.0 | 19,050.3 | 19,439.1 | 19,987.0 |
| <b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>  | 2.6      | 2.0      | 0.8      | 1.0      | 1.2      | 1.5      |
| <b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b> | -13.6    | -14.9    | -9.7     | -11.6    | -12.9    | -13.9    |
| <b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b> | -29.5    | -31.2    | -19.6    | -23.3    | -25.0    | -25.8    |
| <b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>        | 4.8      | 1.9      | -3.7     | -0.8     | 4.5      | 4.3      |
| <b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>   | 6.2      | 6.2      | 6.1      | 6.2      | 6.3      | na       |



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Lebanon, 2017 (A\$000)

|                                             |        |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|
| Exports to Lebanon                          | 47,415 |
| Imports from Lebanon                        | 18,100 |
| Total merchandise trade (exports + imports) | 65,515 |

|                                             | Total share | Rank  | Growth (yoy) |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|--------------|
| Exports to Lebanon                          | 0.0%        | 78th  | 13.8%        |
| Imports from Lebanon                        | 0.0%        | 102nd | 3.4%         |
| Total merchandise trade (exports + imports) | 0.0%        | 90th  | 10.8%        |

### Major Australian exports, 2017 (A\$000)

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Beef, f.c.f.                | 12,275 |
| Wheat                       | 6,003  |
| Vegetables, f.c.f.          | 4,265  |
| Vehicle parts & accessories | 3,078  |

### Major Australian imports, 2017 (A\$000)

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Fruit, prepared or preserved        | 2,273 |
| Vegetables, prepared or preserved   | 2,213 |
| Edible products & preparations, nes | 1,414 |
| Fixed vegetable oils & fats, soft   | 1,325 |

\*Includes \$10m of confidential items & special transactions, 21% of total exports.

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

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Exports of services to Lebanon   | 56  |
| Imports of services from Lebanon | 253 |

|                                  | Total share | Rank | Growth (yoy) |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|--------------|
| Exports of services to Lebanon   | 0.1%        | 71st | 5.7%         |
| Imports of services from Lebanon | 0.3%        | 36th | -10.3%       |

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

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Australia's investment in Lebanon | 50 |
| Lebanon's investment in Australia | np |

|                                   | Total | FDI |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Australia's investment in Lebanon | 50    | 0   |
| Lebanon's investment in Australia | np    | np  |

## Lebanon's global merchandise trade relationships

### Lebanon's principal export destinations, 2016

|                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| 1 South Africa         | 21.1% |
| 2 Saudi Arabia         | 9.0%  |
| 3 United Arab Emirates | 8.0%  |
| 36 Australia           | 0.5%  |

### Lebanon's principal import sources, 2016

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| 1 China         | 11.2% |
| 2 Italy         | 7.5%  |
| 3 United States | 6.3%  |
| 54 Australia    | 0.2%  |