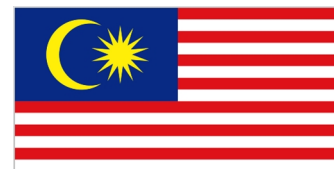




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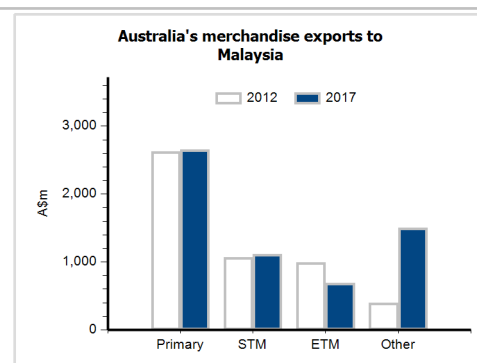
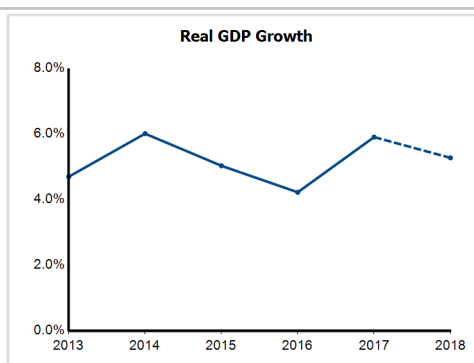
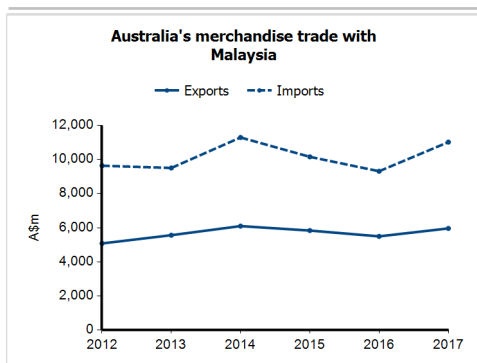
## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Kuala Lumpur
<b>Land area:</b>	328,550 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	Malay
<b>Population:</b>	32.1 million (2017)
<b>Currency:</b>	Ringgit

<b>Head of State</b>	His Majesty The Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia XV Sultan Muhammad V
<b>Head of Government</b>	Prime Minister YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Bin Mohamad

## Economic indicators (a)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	323.3	338.1	296.4	296.5	314.5	364.9
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	10,699.7	11,008.9	9,505.3	9,374.1	9,812.8	11,237.4
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	714.0	770.4	818.0	863.3	930.8	1,002.1
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	23,630.7	25,088.8	26,228.1	27,292.1	29,040.8	30,857.8
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	4.7	6.0	5.0	4.2	5.9	5.3
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	11.3	14.8	9.0	7.0	9.4	8.7
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	3.5	4.4	3.0	2.4	3.0	2.4
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	2.1	3.1	2.1	2.1	3.8	3.2
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	3.3	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.2



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

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Malaysia	5,959	2.0%	12th	8.5%
Imports from Malaysia	11,026	3.8%	7th	18.4%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	16,984	2.9%	7th	14.7%

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

Copper	821
Coal	716
Crude petroleum	395
Wheat	263

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

Crude petroleum	3,030
Refined petroleum	2,213
Computers	532
Telecom equipment & parts	375

\*Includes \$1.5b of confidential items & special transactions, estimated to be mainly LNG, crude petroleum, alumina & unwrought nickel, 25% of total exports. Crude petroleum figure is understated due to confidentiality.

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

		Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Malaysia	2,613	3.1%	8th	9.7%
Imports of services from Malaysia	957	1.1%	21st	4.8%

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

Education-related travel	1,334
Personal travel excluding education	881

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

Personal travel excluding education	456
Transport	276

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

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Malaysia	9,597	5,879
Malaysia's investment in Australia	21,331	13,498

## Malaysia's global merchandise trade relationships

### Malaysia's principal export destinations, 2017

1 Singapore	14.3%
2 China	13.5%
3 United States	9.5%
9 Australia	3.5%

### Malaysia's principal import sources, 2017

1 China	19.6%
2 Singapore	11.1%
3 United States	8.3%
12 Australia	2.4%

Compiled by the Statistics Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources

(a) Economic indicators data is from the IMF WEO where available, the EIU or other reputable source. Data may include forecasts or projections for recent years. GNI may be shown in lieu of GDP for countries where GDP data is unavailable.  
(b) Merchandise trade data is based on published and unpublished ABS data. May exclude confidential items of trade. Totals may not add up due to rounding. Investment data is stocks as at end December.

All data may be subject to future revisions.

GDP - Gross Domestic Product PPP - Purchasing power parity GNI - Gross National Income na - Data is not available np - Data is not published .. - Data is not meaningful Primary - Primary goods STM - Simply transformed manufactures ETM - Elaborately transformed manufactures Other - Other goods including non-monetary gold f.c.f. - Fresh, chilled or frozen nes - Not elsewhere specified