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# REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



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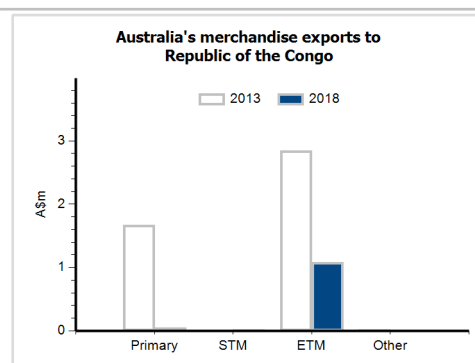
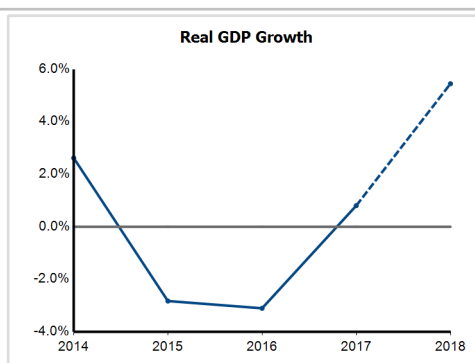
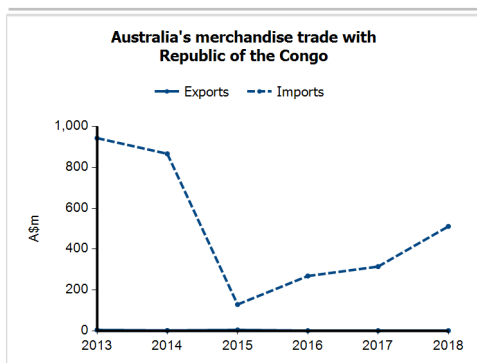
## General information

<b>Capital:</b>	Brazzaville
<b>Land area:</b>	341,500 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	French
<b>Population:</b>	4.5 million (2018)
<b>Currency:</b>	CFA Franc

<b>Head of State</b>	President Denis Sassou-Nguesso
<b>Head of Government</b>	Prime Minister Clement Mouamba

## Economic indicators (a)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	8.6	7.8	9.0	11.2	11.2	na
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	2,067.1	1,835.8	2,068.2	2,510.6	2,443.7	na
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	30.3	29.8	29.4	30.3	32.5	na
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	7,323.3	7,018.5	6,760.8	6,798.9	7,118.8	na
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	2.6	-2.8	-3.1	0.8	5.4	na
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	0.2	-4.6	-3.6	-0.3	0.6	0.5
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	1.3	-54.2	-46.2	-3.9	5.5	4.7
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	3.2	3.2	0.4	1.2	1.5	na
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	10.0	10.0	10.4	10.9	11.3	na



## Australia's trade and investment relationship with Republic of the Congo (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Republic of the Congo, 2018 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports to Republic of the Congo	1	0.0%	177th	1.5%
Imports from Republic of the Congo	511	0.2%	46th	62.5%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	512	0.1%	57th	62.3%

### Major Australian exports, 2018 (A\$000)

Civil engineering equipment & parts	297
Textile clothing accessories	221
Clothing accessories, nes	131
Specialised machinery & parts	130

### Major Australian imports, 2018 (A\$000)

Crude petroleum	510,780
Coffee & substitutes	258
Veneers, plywood & particle board	69
Gold	53

## Australia's trade in services with Republic of the Congo, 2018 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)	
Exports of services to Republic of the Congo	1	0.0%	160th	0.0%
Imports of services from Republic of the Congo	4	0.0%	144th	100.0%

## Australia's investment relationship with Republic of the Congo, 2018 (A\$m)

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Republic of the Congo	np	np
Republic of the Congo's investment in Australia	np	0

## Republic of the Congo's global merchandise trade relationships

### Republic of the Congo's principal export destinations, 2017

1 China	33.9%
2 Spain	12.4%
3 Angola	6.4%
9 Australia	2.9%

### Republic of the Congo's principal import sources, 2017

1 Heard Island & McDonald Islands	10.2%
2 Namibia	8.7%
3 France	8.0%
63 Australia	0.0%

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