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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



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General information

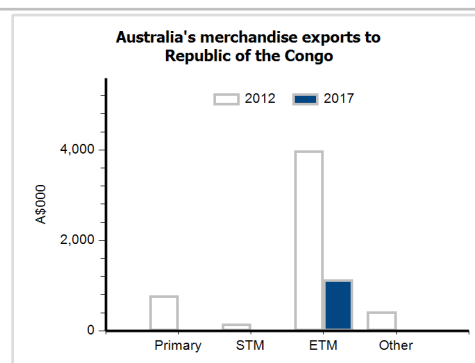
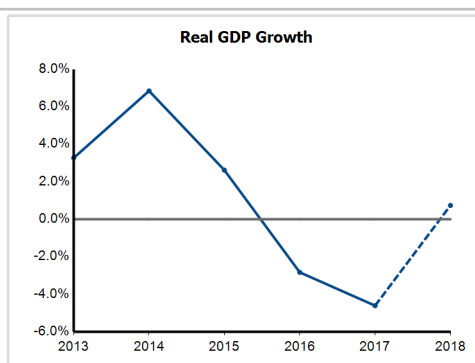
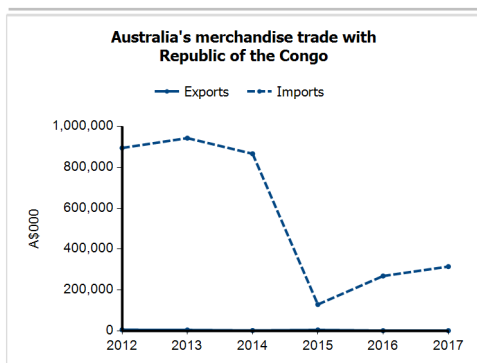
Capital:	Brazzaville
Land area:	341,500 sq km
Official language(s):	French
Population:	4.3 million (2017)
Currency:	CFA Franc

Head of State and Head of Government

President Denis Sassou-Nguesso

Economic indicators (a)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	14.0	14.1	8.6	7.8	8.5	10.5
GDP per capita (US\$)	3,561.2	3,492.5	2,067.1	1,835.8	1,958.2	2,349.7
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	26.8	29.1	30.2	29.7	28.9	29.7
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	6,799.9	7,215.2	7,301.9	7,010.6	6,641.8	6,675.9
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	3.3	6.8	2.6	-2.8	-4.6	0.7
Current account balance (US\$b)	1.9	0.2	-4.6	-5.8	-1.1	0.3
Current account balance (% GDP)	13.8	1.4	-54.1	-74.1	-12.7	3.0
Inflation (% change yoy)	4.6	0.9	3.2	3.2	0.5	1.5
Unemployment (% labour force)	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.4	10.9	na



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

Australian merchandise trade with Republic of the Congo, 2017 (A\$000)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Republic of the Congo	0.0%	176th	-6.0%
Imports from Republic of the Congo	0.1%	51st	17.2%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.1%	60th	17.1%

Major Australian exports, 2017 (A\$000)

Specialised machinery & parts	354
Clothing accessories, nes	303
Taps, cocks & valves	123
Measuring & analysing instruments	108

Major Australian imports, 2017 (A\$000)

Crude petroleum	314,585
Wood, simply worked	17
Pearls & gems	12
Veneers, plywood & particle board	12

Australia's trade in services with Republic of the Congo, 2017 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Republic of the Congo	0.0%	161st	0.0%
Imports of services from Republic of the Congo	0.0%	153rd	0.0%

Australia's investment relationship with Republic of the Congo, 2017 (A\$m)

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Republic of the Congo	74	np
Republic of the Congo's investment in Australia	np	np

Republic of the Congo's global merchandise trade relationships

Republic of the Congo's principal export destinations, 2017

1 China	53.8%
2 Angola	6.2%
3 Gabon	5.7%
6 Australia	4.8%

Republic of the Congo's principal import sources, 2017

1 France	15.1%
2 China	14.1%
3 Belgium	12.3%
51 Australia	0.1%

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