REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

**General information**

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

**Economic indicators (a)**

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>GDP (US$b) (current prices)</th>
<th>GDP per capita (US$)</th>
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<th>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</th>
<th>Current account balance (US$b)</th>
<th>Current account balance (% GDP)</th>
<th>Inflation (% change yoy)</th>
<th>Unemployment (% labour force)</th>
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**Australia’s trade and investment relationship with Republic of the Congo (b)**

**Australian merchandise trade with Republic of the Congo, 2017-18 (A$000)**

- **Exports to Republic of the Congo:** 1,262
- **Imports from Republic of the Congo:** 454,366
- **Total merchandise trade (exports + imports):** 455,628

**Major Australian exports, 2017-18 (A$000)**

- Clothing accessories, nes: 434
- Specialised machinery & parts: 421
- Textile clothing accessories: 221
- Hand or machine tools: 52

**Australian imports, 2017-18 (A$000)**

- Crude petroleum: 454,181
- Coffee & substitutes: 122
- Crude minerals, nes: 17
- Wood, simply worked: 17

**Australia’s trade in services with Republic of the Congo, 2017-18 (A$m)**

- **Exports of services to Republic of the Congo:** 0.0%
- **Imports of services from Republic of the Congo:** 0.0%

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

- **Australia’s investment in Republic of the Congo:** 74
- **Republic of the Congo’s investment in Australia:** np

**Republic of the Congo’s global merchandise trade relationships**

- **Rep. Congo’s principal export destinations, 2017:**
  - China: 33.9%
  - Spain: 12.4%
  - Angola: 6.4%
  - Australia: 2.9%

- **Rep. Congo’s principal import sources, 2017:**
  - Heard Island & McDonald Islands: 10.2%
  - Namibia: 8.7%
  - France: 8.0%
  - 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 EU or other reputable sources. Data may include forecasts or projections for recent years. GDP 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(b) Merchandise trade data is based on published and unpublished ABS data.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 include 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.