General information

- **Capital:** Apia
- **Land area:** 2,830 sq km
- **Official language(s):** Samoan, English
- **Population:** 198,000 (2017)
- **Currency:** Tala

**Economic indicators (a)**

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<td>GDP (US$b) (current prices)</td>
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<td>GDP per capita (US$)</td>
<td>4,219.1</td>
<td>4,179.0</td>
<td>4,149.4</td>
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<td>4,258.3</td>
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<td>GDP PPP (Int'l $b)</td>
<td>4,974.1</td>
<td>5,088.0</td>
<td>5,186.8</td>
<td>5,558.6</td>
<td>5,753.4</td>
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<td>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</td>
<td>-1.9</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>1.6</td>
<td>7.1</td>
<td>2.5</td>
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<td>Current account balance (US$m)</td>
<td>-14.0</td>
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<td>-25.0</td>
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<td>Inflation (% change yoy)</td>
<td>-0.2</td>
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<td>1.9</td>
<td>0.1</td>
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<td>Unemployment (% labour force)</td>
<td>8.8</td>
<td>8.7</td>
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**Australia’s trade and investment relationship with Samoa (b)**

- **Australia’s trade and investment relationship with Samoa, 2017-18 (A$000)**
  - Exports to Samoa: 37,051 (0.0%)
  - Imports from Samoa: 8,003 (0.0%)
  - Total merchandise trade (exports + imports): 45,053 (0.0%)

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

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<td>Aircraft, spacecraft &amp; parts</td>
<td>6,654</td>
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<td>Milk, cream, whey &amp; yoghurt</td>
<td>3,245</td>
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<td>Meat (excl beef), f.c.f.</td>
<td>2,838</td>
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<td>Travel goods, bags &amp; like containers</td>
<td>1,075</td>
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**Major Australian imports, 2017-18 (A$000)**

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<td>Electrical distributing equipment</td>
<td>3,861</td>
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<td>Manufactures of base metal, nes</td>
<td>656</td>
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<td>Fruit &amp; nuts</td>
<td>596</td>
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<td>Misc manufactured articles, nes</td>
<td>375</td>
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**Australia’s trade in services with Samoa, 2017-18 (A$m)**

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<td>Exports of services to Samoa</td>
<td>31</td>
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<td>Imports of services from Samoa</td>
<td>74</td>
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**Australia’s investment relationship with Samoa, 2017 (A$m)**

- Australia’s investment in Samoa: 78
- Samoa’s investment in Australia: 0

**Samoa’s global merchandise trade relationships**

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<td>American Samoa</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>21.4%</td>
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<td>New Zealand</td>
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<td>Tokelau</td>
<td>8.2%</td>
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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. 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 include confidential items of trade. Totals may not add up due to rounding. Investment data is stocks as at and 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 - Externally transformed manufactures  Other - Other goods including non-monetary gold  f.c.f. - Fresh, chilled or frozen  na - Not elsewhere specified