



## General information

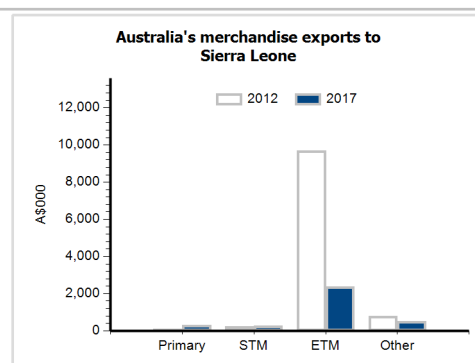
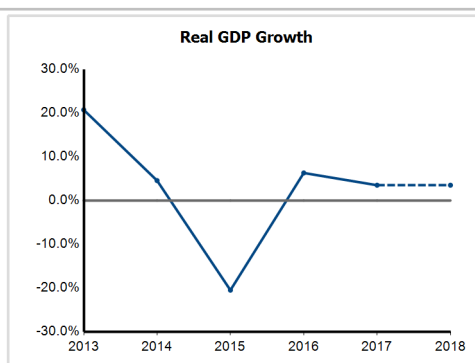
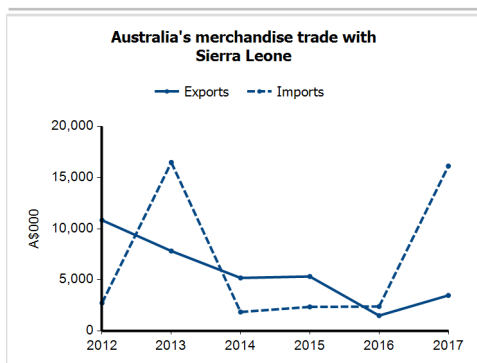
<b>Capital:</b>	Freetown
<b>Land area:</b>	72,180 sq km
<b>Official language(s):</b>	English
<b>Population:</b>	7.4 million (2017)
<b>Currency:</b>	Leone

## Head of State and Head of Government

President HE Julius Maada Bio

## Economic indicators (a)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>	4.9	5.0	4.3	3.8	3.6	3.8
<b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>	731.1	721.6	599.5	522.2	491.5	505.1
<b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>	11.9	12.6	10.1	10.9	11.5	12.2
<b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>	1,763.3	1,818.5	1,430.0	1,506.4	1,552.9	1,608.5
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>	20.7	4.6	-20.5	6.3	3.5	3.5
<b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b>	-0.9	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	-0.7
<b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b>	-17.5	-18.2	-17.4	-19.4	-21.9	-18.9
<b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>	9.8	8.3	9.0	11.5	18.0	13.9
<b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.5	na



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Sierra Leone, 2017 (A\$000)

Exports to Sierra Leone	3,474
Imports from Sierra Leone	16,132
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	19,606

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Sierra Leone	0.0%	144th	132.3%
Imports from Sierra Leone	0.0%	106th	576.4%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.0%	127th	405.3%

### Major Australian exports, 2017 (A\$000)

Civil engineering equipment & parts	804
Specialised machinery & parts	635
Hides & skins, raw (excl furskins)	207
Computers	198

### Major Australian imports, 2017 (A\$000)

Other ores & concentrates	13,751
Ships, boats & floating structures	317
Prams, toys, games & sporting goods	220
Glassware	169

\*Includes \$498,000 of confidential items & special transactions, 14% of total exports.

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

Exports of services to Sierra Leone	2
Imports of services from Sierra Leone	3

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Sierra Leone	0.0%	148th	100.0%
Imports of services from Sierra Leone	0.0%	144th	-25.0%

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

Australia's investment in Sierra Leone	np
Sierra Leone's investment in Australia	np

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Sierra Leone	np	np
Sierra Leone's investment in Australia	np	np

## Sierra Leone's global merchandise trade relationships

### Sierra Leone's principal export destinations, 2016

1 Côte d'Ivoire	34.7%
2 United States	31.0%
3 Belgium	19.3%
32 Australia	0.0%

### Sierra Leone's principal import sources, 2016

1 China	12.6%
2 United States	9.8%
3 India	7.8%
42 Australia	0.2%