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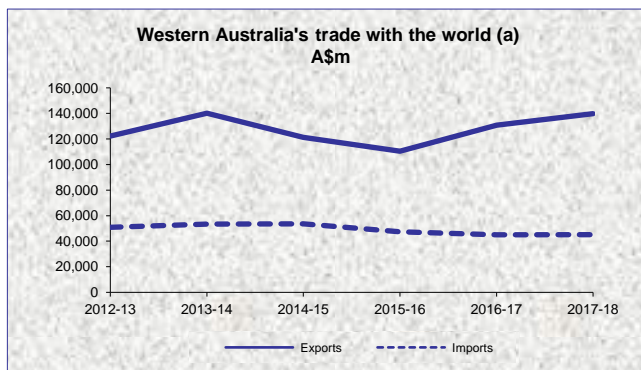
# WESTERN AUSTRALIA



## Recent economic indicators:

	2016-17	2017-18
Real Gross State Product growth (%):	-1.8	1.9
Real GSP per head growth (%):	-2.4	1.1
GSP (current prices) (A\$m):	251,057	259,426
Proportion of Australian GDP (%):	14.2	14.0
Estimated resident population (June):	2,574,762	2,591,887
Change in real final demand (%):	-7.1	1.1
Unemployment rate (%):	6.2	6.1

## Goods and services trade:



## Western Australia's trade, 2017-18 (a):

	A\$m		
	Goods	Services	Total
Exports:	133,188	6,661	139,849
Imports:	34,788	10,432	45,220
Balance:	98,400	-3,771	94,629
<i>% Share of Australian trade</i>			
Exports:	42.3	7.8	34.9
Imports:	11.5	11.4	11.5
<i>Average annual goods and services export growth over the last 5 years:</i>			
			1.1%

## Goods trade<sup>#</sup>:

### Western Australia's major exports, 2017-18 (b):

	A\$m
Iron ores & concentrates	60,698
Natural gas	np
Gold	17,697
Crude petroleum <sup>+</sup>	4,451
Wheat	1,873
Copper ores & concentrates	1,580
Crude minerals, nes	1,558
Precious metal ores & conc (excl gold)	1,257
Oil-seeds & oleaginous fruits, soft	906
Pigments, paints & varnishes	769

<sup>+</sup> Understated due to confidentiality.

### Western Australia's major export destinations, 2017-18 (b):

	A\$m	% Share
China	61,440	46.1
Japan	18,853	14.2
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	8,091	6.1
Republic of Korea	7,289	5.5
Singapore	4,743	3.6

### Western Australia's major imports, 2017-18:

	A\$m
Ships, boats & floating structures	14,290
Gold	6,111
Crude petroleum	4,367
Refined petroleum	2,766
Passenger motor vehicles	1,807
Goods vehicles	1,195
Civil engineering equipment & parts	943
Specialised machinery & parts	644
Rubber tyres, treads & tubes	579
Fertilisers (excl crude)	479

### Western Australia's major import sources, 2017-18:

	A\$m	% Share
Republic of Korea	14,832	42.6
China	4,284	12.3
Japan	4,104	11.8
Malaysia	2,864	8.2
Papua New Guinea	2,800	8.0

## Services trade:

### Western Australia's major exports, 2017-18:

	A\$m	% Share
Personal travel excluding education	2,226	33.4
Education-related travel	1,881	28.2
Business-related travel	378	5.7

### Western Australia's major imports, 2017-18:

	A\$m	% Share
Personal travel excluding education	5,732	54.9
Technical, trade-related & other	1,153	11.1
Freight transport	1,070	10.3

Compiled by the Statistics Section DFAT using latest published ABS data.