



ARGENTINA

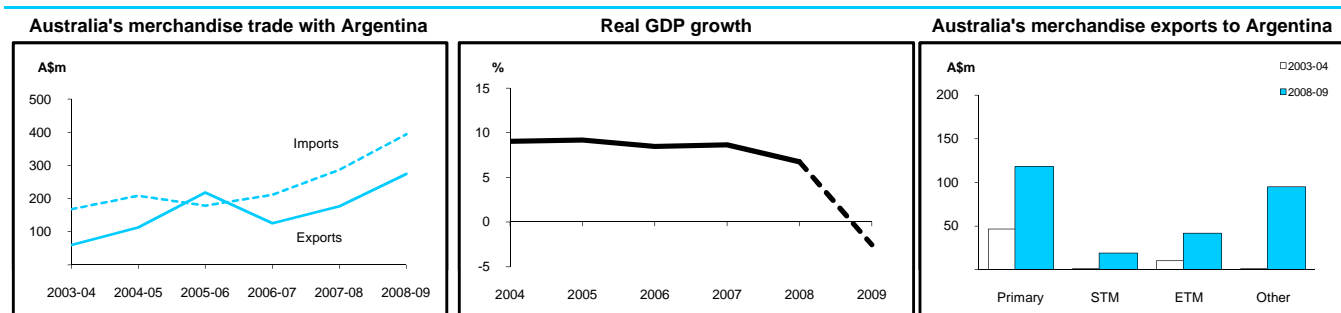
Fact Sheet

General information:

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Capital:	Buenos Aires	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	2,780 thousand sq km	President HE Cristina Fernández de Kirchner	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	40.1 million (2009)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 3.1869 Pesos (Aug 2009)		

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	152.0	181.5	212.7	260.4	324.8	301.3
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	373.0	419.6	469.9	525.2	572.7	566.9
GDP per capita (US\$):	3,975	4,704	5,458	6,617	8,171	7,508
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	9,759	10,872	12,058	13,345	14,408	14,126
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	9.0	9.2	8.5	8.7	6.8	-2.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	3,121	3,020	4,873	4,293	4,428	13,307
Current account balance (% GDP):	2.1	1.7	2.3	1.6	1.4	4.4
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	26.2	25.9	25.6	25.4	25.4	21.2
Inflation (% change yoy):	4.4	9.6	10.9	8.8	8.6	5.6



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Argentina (d):

Australian merchandise trade with Argentina, 2008-09:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Argentina (A\$m):	274	0.1%	45th	55.9%
Imports from Argentina (A\$m):	393	0.2%	45th	37.5%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	667	0.1%	43rd	44.5%

Major Australian exports, 2008-09* (A\$m):		Major Australian imports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Coal	107	Animal feed	134
Fertilisers (excl crude)	16	Goods vehicles	43
Specialised machinery & parts	8	Leather	42
Seeds, fruit & spores	7	Fixed vegetable oils & fats, soft	42

*Includes A\$95m of confidential items, 35% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Argentina, 2008-09:		Total share:	
Exports of services to Argentina (A\$m):	na	na	
Imports of services from Argentina (A\$m):	na	na	

Australia's investment relationship with Argentina, 2008 (e):		Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Argentina (A\$m):		2,016	1,873
Argentina's investment in Australia (A\$m):		255	np

Argentina's global merchandise trade relationships:

Argentina's principal export destinations, 2008:		Argentina's principal import sources, 2008:	
1 Brazil	18.9%	1 Brazil	31.3%
2 China	9.1%	2 China	12.4%
3 United States	7.9%	3 United States	12.2%
43 Australia	0.4%	23 Australia	0.5%

Compiled by the Market Information and Research Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources.

(a) All recent data subject to revision; (b) IMF forecast; (c) PPP is purchasing power parity; (d) Total may not add due to rounding; (e) Stock, as at 31 December. Released annually by the ABS. na Data not available. np Data not published.