



BARBADOS

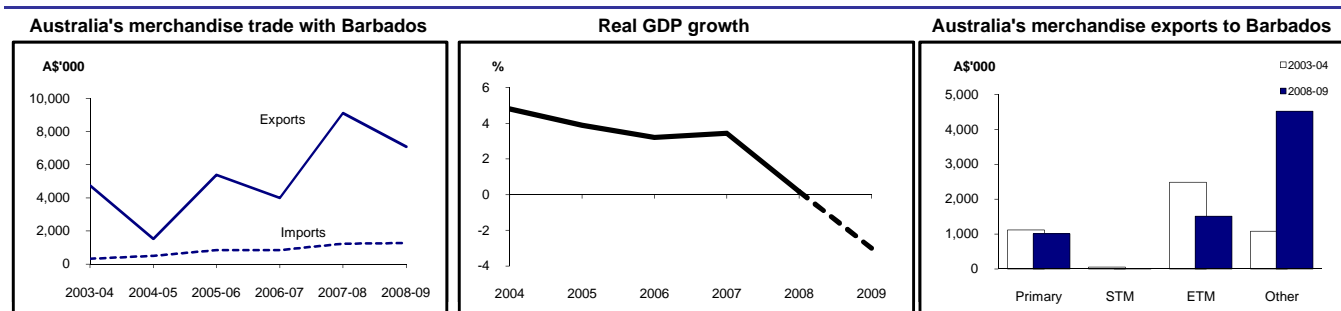
Fact Sheet

General information:

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Capital:	Bridgetown	Head of State:	HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General, HE The Hon Sir Clifford Husbands
Surface area:	431 sq km	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Hon David J H Thompson
Official language:	English		
Population:	0.3 million (2009)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = B\$ 1.6688 (Aug 2009)		

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.7	3.6
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	4.3	4.5	4.8	5.1	5.2	5.2
GDP per capita (US\$):	10,367	10,999	11,646	12,404	13,314	13,003
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	15,850	16,507	17,537	18,603	18,977	18,639
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	4.8	3.9	3.2	3.4	0.2	-3.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-340	-395	-268	-183	-384	-186
Current account balance (% GDP):	-12.0	-13.1	-8.4	-5.4	-10.5	-5.2
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	53.7	61.1	na	na	na	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	1.4	6.1	7.3	4.0	8.1	3.5



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

Australian merchandise trade with Barbados, 2008-09:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Barbados (A\$'000):	7,064	0.0%	137th	-22.4%
Imports from Barbados (A\$'000):	1,265	0.0%	141st	3.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):	8,329	0.0%	150th	-19.3%

Major Australian exports, 2008-09* (A\$'000):		Major Australian imports, 2008-09 (A\$'000):	
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	960	Alcoholic beverages	981
Alcoholic beverages	391	Milk & cream	77
Milk & cream	296	Orthopaedic appliances	77
Glass	156	Heating & cooling equipment & parts	53

*Includes A\$4.5m of confidential items, 64% of total exports.

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

Australia's investment relationship with Barbados, 2008 (e):		Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Barbados (A\$m):		np	na
Barbados' investment in Australia (A\$m):		np	np

Barbados' global merchandise trade relationships:

Barbados' principal export destinations, 2008:		Barbados' principal import sources, 2008:	
1 United States	21.0%	1 United States	36.8%
2 Trinidad & Tobago	9.5%	2 Trinidad & Tobago	19.8%
3 United Kingdom	9.1%	3 United Kingdom	5.3%
49 Australia	0.0%	21 Australia	0.6%

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.