



# SAUDI ARABIA

Fact Sheet

## General information:

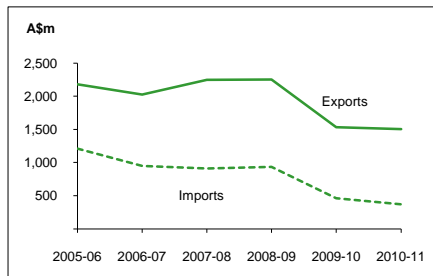
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<b>Capital:</b>	Riyadh
<b>Surface area:</b>	2,150 thousand sq km
<b>Official language:</b>	Arabic
<b>Population:</b>	27.6 million (2010)
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	A\$1 = 4.0371 Riyals (Jul 2011)

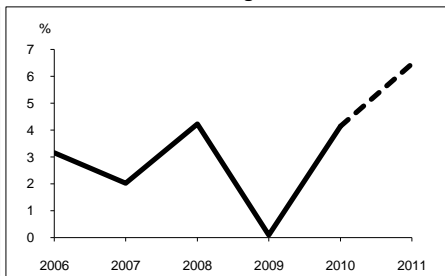
**Head of State and Head of Government:**  
King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud

Recent economic indicators:	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010(a)	2011(b)
<b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>	356.6	385.2	476.9	377.2	448.4	560.3
<b>GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):</b>	522.8	548.9	584.8	591.5	623.1	677.7
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	14,784	15,444	18,495	14,148	16,267	19,890
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	21,674	22,006	22,676	22,186	22,607	24,057
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy):</b>	3.2	2.0	4.2	0.1	4.1	6.5
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	99,066	93,454	132,499	20,983	66,841	115,308
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	27.8	24.3	27.8	5.6	14.9	20.6
<b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b>	63.2	64.7	67.7	53.6	58.4	64.0
<b>Inflation (% change yoy):</b>	2.3	4.1	9.9	5.1	5.4	5.4

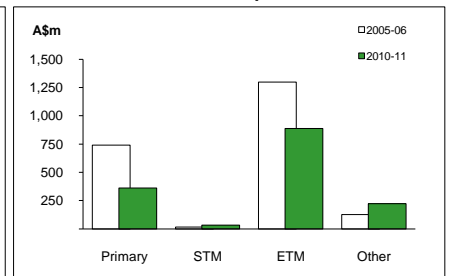
Australia's merchandise trade with Saudi Arabia



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Saudi Arabia



## Australia's trade and investment relationship with Saudi Arabia (d):

Australian merchandise trade with Saudi Arabia, 2010-11:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Saudi Arabia (A\$m):	1,502	0.6%	21st	-2.1%
Imports from Saudi Arabia (A\$m):	369	0.2%	47th	-20.0%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	1,871	0.4%	31st	-6.2%

**Major Australian exports, 2010-11\* (A\$m):**

Passenger motor vehicles	754
Meat (excl beef)	90
Milk, cream, whey & yoghurt	58
Live animals (excl seafood)	36

\*Includes A\$217m of confidential items, 14% of total exports

**Major Australian imports, 2010-11\* (A\$m):**

Fertilisers (excl crude)	111
Crude petroleum	94
Liquefied propane & butane	36
Primary ethylene polymers	9

\* Includes A\$93m of confidential items, 25% of total imports.

## Australia's trade in services with Saudi Arabia, 2010-11:

		Total share:
Exports of services to Saudi Arabia (A\$m):	na	na
Imports of services from Saudi Arabia (A\$m):	na	na

## Australia's investment relationship with Saudi Arabia, 2010 (e):

	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Saudi Arabia (A\$m):	73	41
Saudi Arabia's investment in Australia (A\$m):	2,774	2,691

## Saudi Arabia's global merchandise trade relationships:

### Saudi Arabia's principal export destinations, 2009:

Data not available

### Saudi Arabia's principal import sources, 2009:

1	United States	14.3%
2	China	11.3%
3	Germany	8.0%
15	Australia	1.7%

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/EIU 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. .. Data not meaningful.