



AFGHANISTAN

Fact Sheet

General information:

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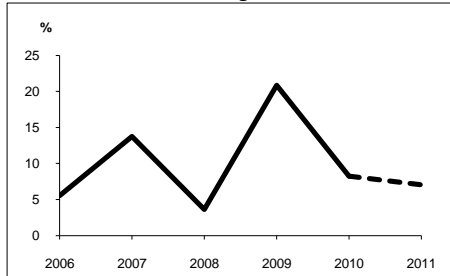
Capital:	Kabul	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	652 thousand sq km	President HE Mr Hamid Karzai	
Official languages:	Pashto, Dari		
Population:	30.2 million (2010)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 48.3540 New Afghanis (Apr 2011)		

Recent economic indicators (a):	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010(a)	2011(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	7.1	8.7	10.2	12.5	15.5	17.9
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	16.6	19.4	20.5	25.1	27.4	30.0
GDP per capita (US\$):	265	319	359	426	515	575
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	620	707	724	856	909	966
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	5.6	13.7	3.6	20.9	8.2	7.1
Current account balance (US\$m):	-404	82	-166	-324	422	-152
Current account balance (% GDP):	-5.7	0.9	-1.6	-2.6	2.7	-0.8
Goods exports (% GDP):	26.6	21.3	21.2	na	na	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	5.1	13.0	26.8	-12.2	7.7	8.4

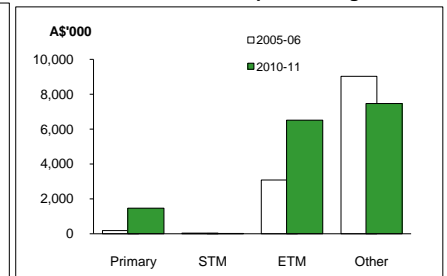
Australia's merchandise trade with Afghanistan



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Afghanistan



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

Australian merchandise trade with Afghanistan, 2010-11:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Afghanistan (A\$'000):	15,429	0.0%	103rd	7.7%
Imports from Afghanistan (A\$'000):	236	0.0%	169th	-0.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):	15,665	0.0%	130th	7.5%

Major Australian exports, 2010-11* (A\$'000):

Internal combustion piston engines	2,292
Electrical machinery & parts	1,816
Telecom equipment & parts	1,390
Beef	721

*Includes A\$6.9m of confidential items, 45% of total exports

Major Australian imports, 2010-11 (A\$'000):

Floor coverings	110
Fruit & nuts	26
Artwork & antiques	19
Pearls & gems	13

Australia's trade in services with Afghanistan, 2010-11:

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

Australia's investment relationship with Afghanistan, 2010 (e):

	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Afghanistan (A\$m):	nil	nil
Afghanistan's investment in Australia (A\$m):	np	nil

Afghanistan's global merchandise trade relationships:

Afghanistan's principal export destinations, 2010:

1	Pakistan	39.0%
2	India	16.8%
3	Turkey	9.0%
21	Australia	0.2%

Afghanistan's principal import sources, 2010:

1	Uzbekistan	21.1%
2	China	13.7%
3	Pakistan	11.6%
38	Australia	0.0%

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. .. Data not meaningful.