



# BAHRAIN

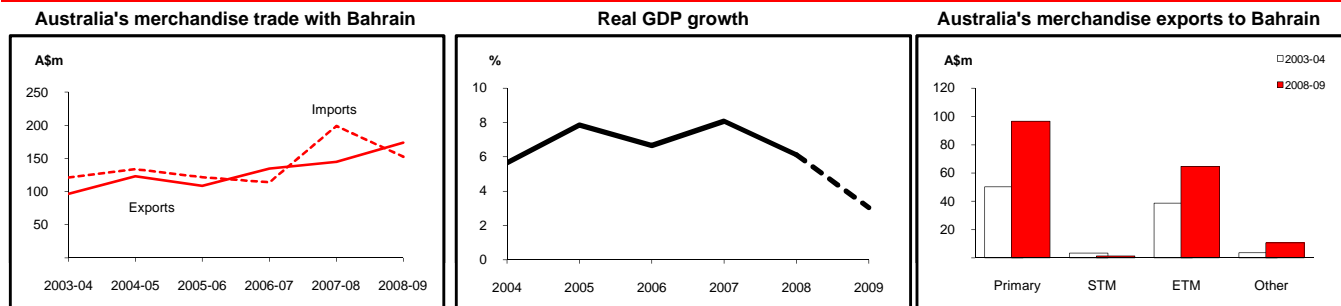
Fact Sheet

## General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; June and December

<b>Capital:</b>	Manama	<b>Head of State, King of Bahrain:</b>	
<b>Surface area:</b>	700 sq km	<b>HM Sheikh Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa</b>	
<b>Official language:</b>	Arabic	<b>Head of Government:</b>	
<b>Population:</b>	0.8 million (2009)	<b>Prime Minister HH Sheikh Khalifa Bin Sulman</b>	
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	A\$1 = 0.3137 Dinars (Aug 2009)	<b>Al-Khalifa</b>	

<b>Recent economic indicators:</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008(a)</b>	<b>2009(b)</b>
<b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>	11.2	13.5	15.8	18.4	21.2	19.4
<b>GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):</b>	18.1	20.4	22.4	24.9	27.0	28.3
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	15,601	18,323	21,157	24,138	27,248	24,355
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	25,137	27,722	29,931	32,620	34,662	35,561
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy):</b>	5.6	7.9	6.7	8.1	6.1	3.0
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	474	1,476	2,188	2,907	2,256	724
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	4.2	11.0	13.8	15.8	10.6	3.7
<b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b>	92.0	99.6	98.8	93.9	100.0	81.5
<b>Inflation (% change yoy):</b>	2.2	2.6	2.0	3.3	3.5	3.0



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

<b>Australian merchandise trade with Bahrain, 2008-09:</b>		<b>Total share:</b>	<b>Rank:</b>	<b>Growth (yoy):</b>
Exports to Bahrain (A\$m) (e):	174	0.1%	52nd	20.3%
Imports from Bahrain (A\$m):	152	0.1%	53rd	-23.2%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	326	0.1%	57th	-4.9%

### Major Australian exports, 2008-09 (A\$m):

Live animals (excl seafood)	70
Passenger motor vehicles	49
Cheese & curd	7
Vegetables	4

### Major Australian imports, 2008-09 (A\$m):

Fertilisers (excl crude)	74
Aluminium	43
Non-electric engines & motors	17
Wire products	17

### Australia's trade in services with Bahrain, 2008:

		<b>Total share:</b>
Exports of services to Bahrain (A\$m):	na	na
Imports of services from Bahrain (A\$m):	na	na

### Australia's investment relationship with Bahrain, 2008 (f):

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>FDI:</b>
Australia's investment in Bahrain (A\$m):	np	np
Bahrain's investment in Australia (A\$m):	105	na

## Bahrain's global merchandise trade relationships:

### Bahrain's principal export destinations, 2007:

1	Saudi Arabia	5.3%
2	United States	2.7%
3	United Arab Emirates	1.5%
6	Australia	0.9%

### Bahrain's principal import sources, 2007:

1	Australia	6.3%
2	Japan	5.2%
3	Saudi Arabia	4.8%
4	China	4.2%

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/EIU estimate; (c) PPP is purchasing power parity; (d) Total may not add due to rounding; (e) Excludes exports of alumina of approx. A\$200m; (f) Stock, as at 31 December. Released annually by the ABS. np Data not published. na Data not available.