

CANADA

Fact Sheet

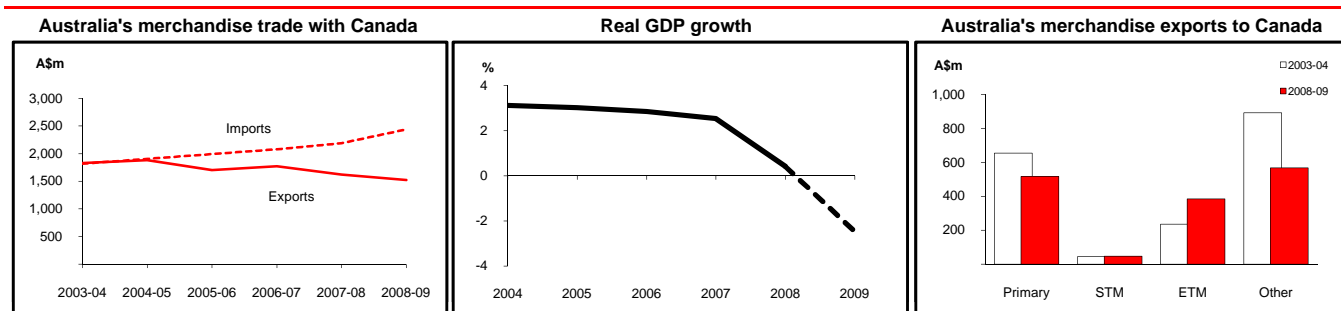
General information:

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Capital: Ottawa
Surface area: 9,971 thousand sq km
Official languages: English, French
Population: 33.6 million (2009)
Exchange rate: A\$1 = C\$0.9080 (Aug 2009)

Head of State:
 HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by
 Governor-General HE The Rt Hon Michaëlle Jean
Head of Government:
 Prime Minister The Rt Hon Stephen Joseph Harper

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	992.2	1,133.8	1,277.6	1,427.2	1,499.6	1,319.1
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	1,065.8	1,132.0	1,202.2	1,268.0	1,300.4	1,288.0
GDP per capita (US\$):	31,104	35,205	39,270	43,404	45,085	39,217
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	33,409	35,150	36,955	38,561	39,098	38,290
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.5	0.4	-2.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	22,934	21,376	17,925	14,530	7,606	-34,309
Current account balance (% GDP):	2.3	1.9	1.4	1.0	0.5	-2.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	38.3	37.7	36.1	34.8	35.3	29.7
Inflation (% change yoy):	1.8	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.4	0.1



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

Australian merchandise trade with Canada, 2008-09:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Canada (A\$m):	1,519	0.7%	22nd	-6.2%
Imports from Canada (A\$m):	2,438	1.1%	19th	11.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	3,957	0.9%	21st	3.9%

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

Alcoholic beverages	215
Nickel ores & concentrates	74
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	61
Beef	53

*Includes A\$563m of confidential items, 37% of total exports.

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

Meat (excl beef)	149
Sulphur & iron pyrites	147
Iron ore & concentrates	143
Pumps (excl liquid pumps) & parts	127

Australia's trade in services with Canada, 2008-09:

		Total share:
Exports of services to Canada (A\$m):	815	1.5%
Imports of services from Canada (A\$m):	913	1.6%

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

Personal travel excl education	338
Education-related travel	142

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

Personal travel excl education	509
Business & professional	142

Australia's investment relationship with Canada, 2008 (e):

	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Canada (A\$m):	38,848	27,910
Canada's investment in Australia (A\$m):	18,158	10,177

Canada's global merchandise trade relationships:

Canada's principal export destinations, 2008:

1	United States	77.7%
2	United Kingdom	2.7%
3	Japan	2.3%
15	Australia	0.4%

Canada's principal import sources, 2008

1	United States	52.4%
2	China	9.8%
3	Mexico	4.1%
31	Australia	0.4%

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.