



# CANADA

Fact Sheet

## General information:

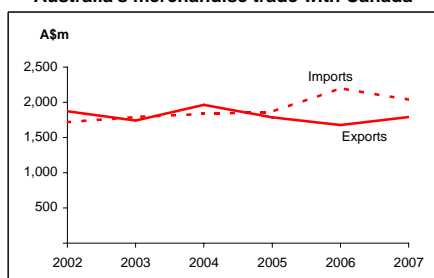
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**Capital:** Ottawa  
**Surface area:** 9,971 thousand sq km  
**Official languages:** English, French  
**Population:** 32.9 million (2007)  
**Exchange rate:** A\$1 = C\$ 0.9122 (Feb 2008)

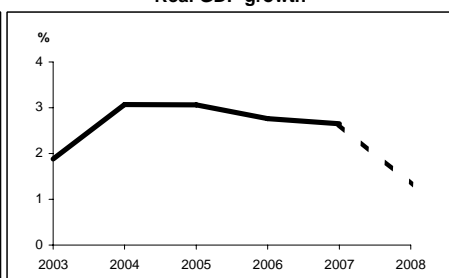
**Head of State:**  
 HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by  
 Governor-General HE The Rt. Hon. Michaëlle Jean  
**Head of Government:**  
 Prime Minister The Rt. Hon. Stephen Joseph Harper

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007(a)	2008(b)
<b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>	868.3	993.9	1,135.5	1,275.3	1,432.1	1,571.1
<b>GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):</b>	1,006.2	1,065.7	1,133.0	1,201.0	1,265.8	1,308.3
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	27,449	31,107	35,187	39,115	43,485	47,066
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	31,809	33,353	35,111	36,837	38,435	39,195
<b>Real GDP growth (% change YOY):</b>	1.9	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.7	1.3
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	10,486	22,369	23,074	20,792	13,263	-14,007
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	1.2	2.3	2.0	1.6	0.9	-0.9
<b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b>	37.9	38.2	37.7	36.2	34.7	35.2
<b>Inflation (% change YOY):</b>	2.7	1.8	2.2	2.0	2.1	1.6

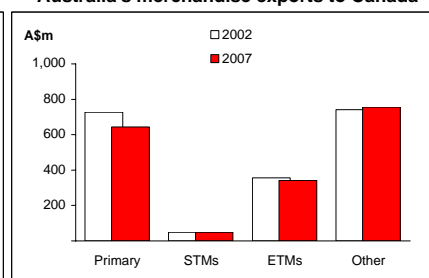
Australia's merchandise trade with Canada



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Canada



## Australia's trade relationship with Canada (d):

### Australian merchandise trade with Canada, 2007:

Exports to Canada (A\$m):	1,790
Imports from Canada (A\$m):	2,036
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	3,826

Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
1.1%	18th	6.6%
1.1%	20th	-7.5%
1.1%	22nd	-1.4%

### Major Australian exports, 2007\* (A\$m):

Alcoholic beverages	279
Nickel ores	91
Non-ferrous base metal waste	54
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	54

\*Includes A\$738m of confidential items, 41% of total exports.

### Major Australian imports, 2007 (A\$m):

Meat (excl bovine)	156
Aircraft & parts	126
Telecommunications equipment	114
Iron ore	79

### Australia's trade in services with Canada, 2007:

Exports of services to Canada (A\$m):	739
Imports of services from Canada (A\$m):	682

### Total share:

1.5%
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### Major Australian service exports, 2007 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl education	322
Transportation	127

### Major Australian service imports, 2007 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl education	394
Transportation	110

## Canada's global merchandise trade relationships:

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

1	United States	78.9%
2	United Kingdom	2.9%
3	China	2.1%
14	Australia	0.4%

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

1	United States	54.2%
2	China	9.4%
3	Mexico	4.2%
23	Australia	0.4%

Compiled by the Market Information and Analysis 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.