



EL SALVADOR

Fact Sheet

General information:

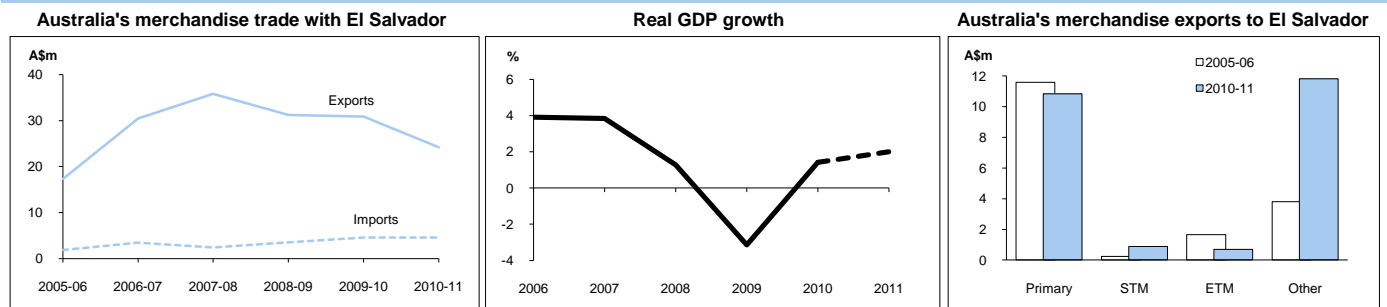
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Capital:	San Salvador
Surface area:	21 thousand sq km
Official language:	Spanish
Population:	5.9 million (2010)
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 9.5847 Colones (31 Jul 2011)

Head of State and Head of Government:
President Mr Mauricio Funes

Recent economic indicators:

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010(a)	2011(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	18.6	20.1	21.4	20.7	21.2	22.6
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	38.7	41.4	42.9	42.0	43.0	44.8
GDP per capita (US\$):	3,252	3,500	3,705	3,548	3,618	3,831
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	6,792	7,208	7,410	7,204	7,340	7,595
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	3.9	3.8	1.3	-3.1	1.4	2.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-766	-1,217	-1,532	-304	-488	-857
Current account balance (% GDP):	-4.1	-6.1	-7.2	-1.5	-2.3	-3.8
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	25.9	25.9	26.9	23.2	26.2	27.5
Inflation (% change yoy):	4.0	4.6	7.3	0.4	1.2	4.6



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

Australian merchandise trade with El Salvador, 2010-11:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to El Salvador (A\$m):	24	0.0%	90th	-21.6%
Imports from El Salvador (A\$m):	5	0.0%	117th	-0.5%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	29	0.0%	110th	-18.9%

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

Milk & cream	11
Aluminium	1

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

Alcoholic beverages	1
Coffee & substitutes	1
Plastic articles	1

*Includes A\$12m of confidential items, 49% of total exports.

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

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

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

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

El Salvador's global merchandise trade relationships:

El Salvador's principal export destinations, 2010:

1	United States	48.4%
2	Guatemala	14.0%
3	Honduras	12.9%
35	Australia	0.1%

El Salvador's principal import sources, 2010:

1	United States	36.9%
2	Guatemala	9.5%
3	Mexico	8.9%
32	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/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.