



JAMAICA

Fact Sheet

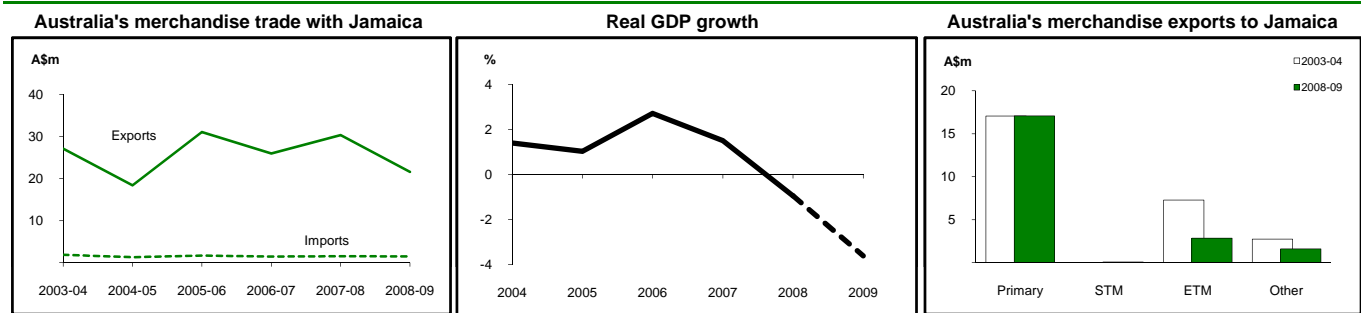
General information:

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Capital:	Kingston
Surface area:	11 thousand sq km
Official language:	English
Population:	2.7 million (2009)
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = J\$71.3299 (Jun 2009)

Head of State:	HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General HE Dr Patrick Linton Allen
Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Honourable Bruce Golding

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	10.1	11.2	12.0	13.0	14.0	11.9
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	20.5	21.6	22.9	23.9	24.2	23.7
GDP per capita (US\$):	3,827	4,192	4,479	4,836	5,199	4,397
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	7,745	8,119	8,570	8,906	8,967	8,737
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	1.4	1.0	2.7	1.5	-1.0	-3.6
Current account balance (US\$m):	-530	-1,101	-1,151	-2,043	-2,783	-1,718
Current account balance (% GDP):	-5.2	-9.9	-9.6	-15.7	-19.8	-14.4
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	38.5	35.8	39.9	39.0	na	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	13.5	15.1	8.5	9.3	22.0	9.4



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

Australian merchandise trade with Jamaica, 2008-09:	Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):	
Exports to Jamaica (A\$m):	22	0.0%	97th	-28.9%
Imports from Jamaica (A\$m):	1	0.0%	134th	-1.1%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	23	0.0%	115th	-27.6%

Major Australian exports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Meat (excl beef)	13
Beef	4
Vehicle parts & accessories	1
Pumps for liquids & parts	1

Major Australian imports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Alcoholic beverages	1

Australia's trade in services with Jamaica, 2008-09:	Total share:
Exports of services to Jamaica (A\$m):	na
Imports of services from Jamaica (A\$m):	na

Australia's investment relationship with Jamaica, 2008 (e):	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Jamaica (A\$m):	np	np
Jamaica's investment in Australia (A\$m):	np	na

Jamaica's global merchandise trade relationships:

Jamaica's principal export destinations, 2008:			Jamaica's principal import sources, 2008:		
1	United States	40.3%	1	United States	39.4%
2	Canada	10.6%	2	Trinidad and Tobago	17.5%
3	United Kingdom	9.2%	3	Venezuela, Bolivarian Rep	11.6%
68	Australia	0.0%	33	Australia	0.2%

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; (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.