



# JAMAICA

Fact Sheet

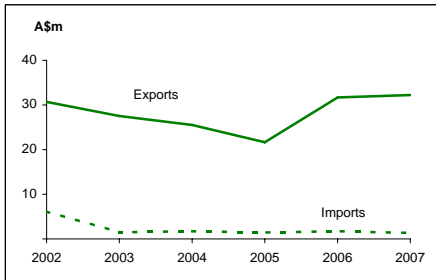
## General information:

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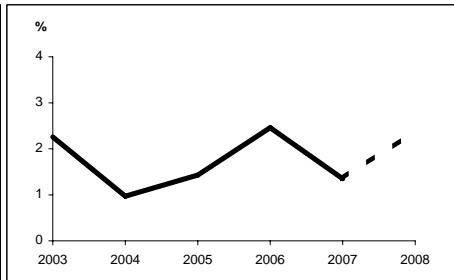
<b>Capital:</b>	Kingston	<b>Head of State:</b>	HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General HE The Most Hon Prof Kenneth Octavius Hall
<b>Surface area:</b>	11 thousand sq km	<b>Head of Government:</b>	Prime Minister The Honourable Bruce Golding
<b>Official language:</b>	English		
<b>Population:</b>	2.7 million (2007)		
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	A\$1 = J\$63.9289 (Nov 2007)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007(a)	2008(b)
<b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>	7.8	8.8	9.4	10.4	11.2	12.8
<b>GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):</b>	17.1	17.9	18.8	19.9	20.7	21.6
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	2,965	3,323	3,532	3,887	4,172	4,752
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	6,502	6,753	7,064	7,432	7,697	8,002
<b>Real GDP growth (% change YOY):</b>	2.3	1.0	1.4	2.5	1.4	2.4
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	-737	-508	-1,053	-1,197	-1,623	-1,741
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	-9.4	-5.8	-11.2	-11.5	-14.5	-13.6
<b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b>	41.2	40.0	41.5	38.4	na	na
<b>Inflation (% change YOY):</b>	10.5	13.5	15.1	8.5	9.3	19.0

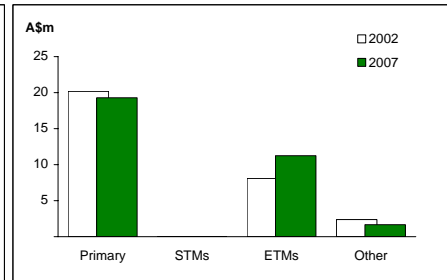
Australia's merchandise trade with Jamaica



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Jamaica



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Jamaica, 2007:

Exports to Jamaica (A\$m):	32	<b>Total share:</b>	0.0%	<b>Rank:</b>	79th	<b>Growth (yoy):</b>	1.7%
Imports from Jamaica (A\$m):	1		0.0%		141st		-22.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	34		0.0%		96th		0.4%

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

Meat (excl bovine)	13
Road tractors for semi-trailers	4
Milk & cream	4
Coated flat-rolled steel	3

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

Alcoholic beverages	1
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### Australia's trade in services with Jamaica, 2007:

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

## Jamaica's global merchandise trade relationships:

### Jamaica's principal export destinations, 2006:

1	United States	30.2%
2	Canada	15.6%
3	China	15.2%
45	Australia	0.0%

### Jamaica's principal import sources, 2006:

1	United States	39.3%
2	Trinidad and Tobago	13.6%
3	Venezuela, Rep Bol	9.5%
32	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.

na Data not available.