



# MAURITIUS

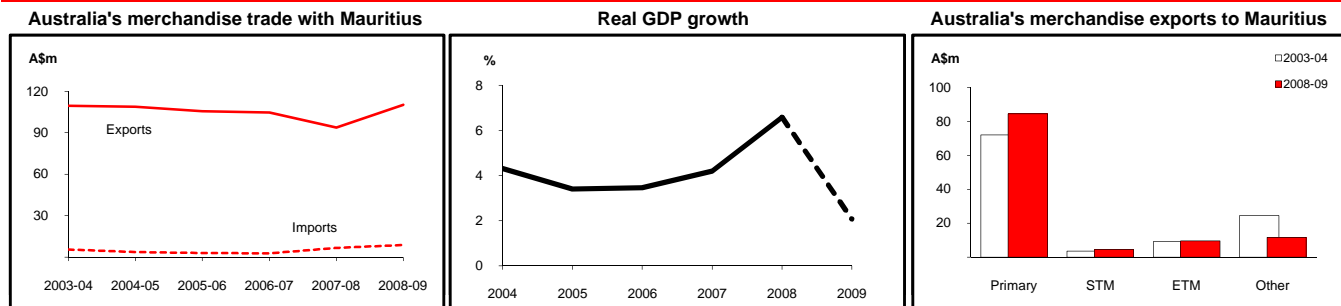
Fact Sheet

## General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; June and December

<b>Capital:</b>	Port Louis	<b>Head of State:</b>	President The Rt Hon Sir Anerood Jugnauth
<b>Surface area:</b>	2 thousand sq km	<b>Head of Government:</b>	Prime Minister
<b>Official language:</b>	English		
<b>Population:</b>	1.3 million (2009)		
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	A\$1 = 26.4785 Rupees (Aug 2009)		The Rt Hon Dr Navinchandra Ramgoolam

<b>Recent economic indicators:</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008(a)</b>	<b>2009(b)</b>
<b>GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):</b>	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.9	8.7	9.2
<b>GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):</b>	11.5	12.3	13.1	14.0	15.3	15.8
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	4,912	5,048	5,042	5,494	6,872	7,146
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	9,338	9,853	10,446	11,128	12,011	12,356
<b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy):</b>	4.3	3.4	3.5	4.2	6.6	2.1
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	50	-218	-336	-553	-761	-852
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	0.8	-3.5	-5.3	-8.0	-8.7	-9.3
<b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b>	56.9	59.8	63.3	64.1	56.6	na
<b>Inflation (% change yoy):</b>	4.7	4.9	8.9	9.1	8.8	6.4



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

<b>Australian merchandise trade with Mauritius, 2008-09:</b>		<b>Total share:</b>	<b>Rank:</b>	<b>Growth (yoy):</b>
Exports to Mauritius (A\$m):	110	0.0%	58th	17.7%
Imports from Mauritius (A\$m):	9	0.0%	101st	31.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	119	0.0%	72nd	18.6%

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

Milk & cream	21
Meat (excl beef)	17
Vegetables	8
Wheat	7

\*Includes A\$11m of confidential items, 10% of total exports.

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

Clothing	4
Salts of inorganic acids & metals	1

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

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

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

	<b>Total:</b>	<b>FDI:</b>
Australia's investment in Mauritius (A\$m):	np	np
Mauritius' investment in Australia (A\$m):	26	na

## Mauritius' global merchandise trade relationships:

### Mauritius' principal export destinations, 2008:

1	United Kingdom	31.5%
2	France	17.2%
3	United States	7.1%
23	Australia	0.4%

### Mauritius' principal import sources, 2008:

1	India	25.6%
2	China	10.8%
3	South Africa	7.6%
9	Australia	2.4%

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. na Data not available. np Data not published.