

MALDIVES

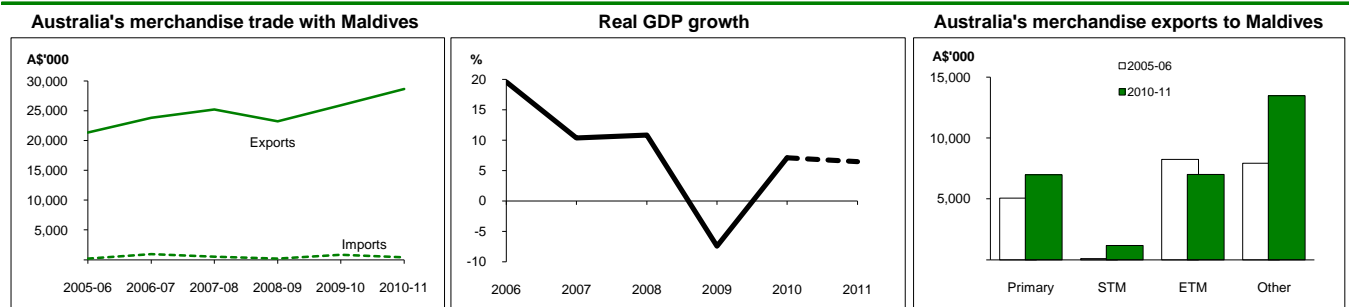
Fact Sheet

General information:

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Capital:	Malé	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	300 sq km	President HE Dr Mohamed Waheed Hassan Manik	
Official language:	Divehi		
Population:	0.3 million (2010)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 16.5239 Rufiyaa (Jul 2011)		

Recent economic indicators:	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010(a)	2011(b)
GDP (US\$m) (current prices):	1,303	1,539	1,825	2,003	2,168	2,115
GDP PPP (US\$m) (c):	1,928	2,190	2,482	2,321	2,514	2,735
GDP per capita (US\$):	4,360	5,047	5,894	6,363	6,773	6,499
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	6,449	7,183	8,016	7,372	7,855	8,403
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	19.6	10.4	10.9	-7.5	7.1	6.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	-302	-438	-648	-407	-557	-472
Current account balance (% GDP):	-23.2	-28.5	-35.5	-20.3	-25.7	-22.3
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	59.6	57.0	57.6	41.4	43.8	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	3.5	7.4	12.3	4.0	4.7	12.1



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

Australian merchandise trade with Maldives, 2010-11:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Maldives (A\$'000):	28,660	0.0%	85th	10.6%
Imports from Maldives (A\$'000):	407	0.0%	161st	-49.7%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):	29,067	0.0%	109th	8.8%

Major Australian exports, 2010-11* (A\$'000):

Aircraft, spacecraft & parts	1,519
Beef	1,404
Meat (excl beef)	1,382
Vegetables	1,255

*Includes A\$13m of special transactions, 44% of total exports.

Major Australian imports, 2010-11 (A\$'000):

Non-electric engines & motors	252
Aircraft, spacecraft & parts	37
Seafood, prepared or preserved	35
Printed matter	21

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

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

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

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

Maldives' global merchandise trade relationships:

Maldives' principal export destinations, 2010:

1	Thailand	17.9%
2	Sri Lanka	16.9%
3	France	14.2%
17	Australia	0.8%

Maldives' principal import sources, 2010:

1	Singapore	24.7%
2	United Arab Emirates	17.2%
3	India	8.6%
10	Australia	2.1%

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. .. Data not meaningful.