

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

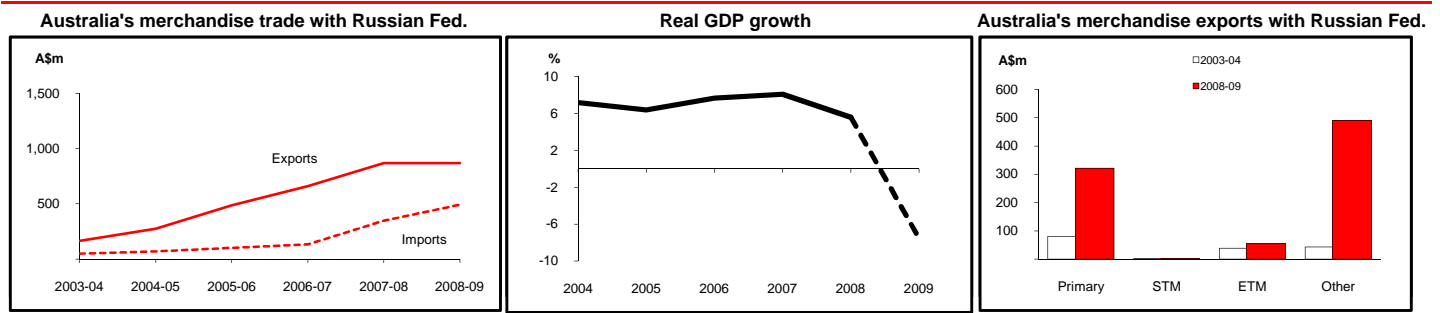
Fact Sheet

General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; June and December

Capital:	Moscow	Head of State:	President HE Mr Dmitry Anatolyevich Medvedev
Surface area:	17,098 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	Prime Minister HE Mr Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin
Official language:	Russian		
Population:	141.4 million (2009)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 26.3900 Rubles (Aug 2009)		

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	591.9	764.3	989.4	1,294.4	1,676.6	1,254.7
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	1,548.7	1,698.0	1,888.3	2,099.7	2,264.6	2,126.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	4,105	5,326	6,929	9,103	11,807	8,874
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	10,740	11,832	13,223	14,766	15,948	15,039
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	7.2	6.4	7.7	8.1	5.6	-7.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	59,514	84,443	94,340	77,012	102,400	45,417
Current account balance (% GDP):	10.1	11.0	9.5	6.0	6.1	3.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	34.4	35.2	33.8	30.4	31.2	28.7
Inflation (% change yoy):	10.9	12.7	9.7	9.0	14.1	12.3



Australia's trade and investment relationship with the Russian Federation (d):

Australian merchandise trade with the Russian Federation, 2008-09:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to the Russian Federation (A\$m):	868	0.4%	28th	0.0%
Imports from the Russian Federation (A\$m):	490	0.2%	40th	42.2%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	1,358	0.3%	33rd	12.0%

Major Australian exports, 2008-09* (A\$m):	
Beef	164
Meat (excl beef)	74
Live animals (excl seafood)	37
Hides & skins, raw (excl furskins)	24

*Includes A\$484m of confidential items, 56% of total exports.

Major Australian imports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Crude petroleum	377
Fertilisers (excl crude)	55
Pig-iron	10
Aluminium	7

Australia's trade in services with the Russian Federation, 2008-09:		Total share:
Exports of services to the Russian Federation (A\$m):	111	0.2%
Imports of services from the Russian Federation (A\$m):	86	0.2%

Major Australian service exports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Personal travel excl education	40
Education-related travel	34

Major Australian service imports, 2008-09 (A\$m):	
Personal travel excl education	48
Business travel	16

Australia's investment relationship with the Russian Federation, 2008 (e):	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in the Russian Federation (A\$m):	441	np
The Russian Federation's investment in Australia (A\$m):	498	192

The Russian Federation's global merchandise trade relationships:

The Russian Federation's principal export destinations, 2008:			The Russian Federation's principal import sources, 2008:		
1	Netherlands	11.7%	1	China	13.0%
2	Italy	6.9%	2	Germany	12.7%
3	Belarus	5.1%	3	Japan	7.0%
93	Australia	0.0%	34	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. np Data not published.