



RUSSIAN FEDERATION

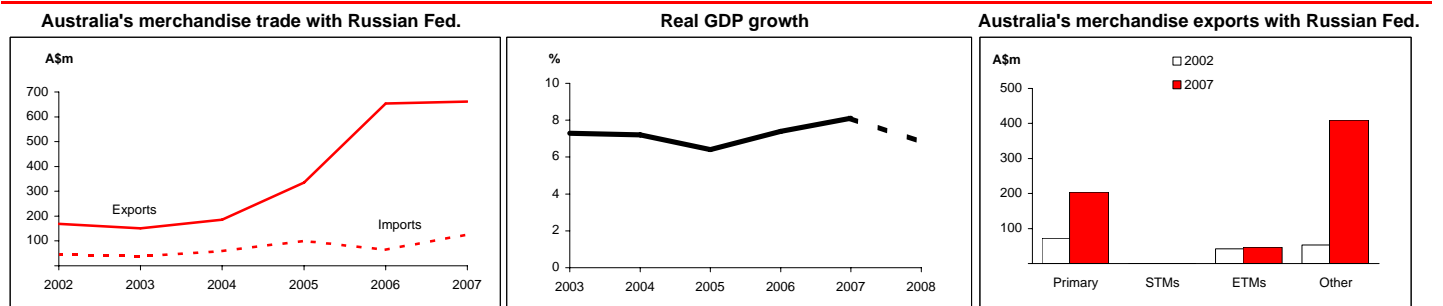
Fact Sheet

General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; May and September

Capital:	Moscow	Head of State:	
Surface area:	17,098 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	President HE Mr Dmitry Anatolyevich Medvedev
Official language:	Russian		
Population:	142.1 million (2007)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 22.4019 Rubles (Feb 2008)		

Recent economic indicators:	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007(a)	2008(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	431.4	591.9	764.2	988.7	1,289.6	1,698.6
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	1,407.8	1,548.7	1,697.9	1,881.1	2,087.8	2,274.6
GDP per capita (US\$):	2,975	4,104	5,326	6,923	9,075	12,012
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	9,709	10,740	11,832	13,173	14,692	16,085
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	7.3	7.2	6.4	7.4	8.1	6.8
Current account balance (US\$m):	35,410	59,514	84,443	94,257	76,600	98,634
Current account balance (% GDP):	8.2	10.1	11.0	9.5	5.9	5.8
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	35.3	34.4	35.2	33.9	30.3	29.8
Inflation (% change YOY):	13.7	10.9	12.7	9.7	9.0	11.4



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

Australian merchandise trade with the Russian Federation, 2007:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to the Russian Federation (A\$m):	661	0.4%	31st	1.1%
Imports from the Russian Federation (A\$m):	127	0.1%	54th	98.2%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	788	0.2%	39th	9.7%

Major Australian exports, 2007* (A\$m):		Major Australian imports, 2007 (A\$m):	
Meat (excl bovine)	95	Silver, platinum	57
Bovine meat	38	Fertilizers (excl crude)	31
Raw hides & skins (except furskins)	29	Aluminium	5
Live animals	15	Pig iron	5

*Includes A\$404m of confidential items, 61% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with the Russian Federation, 2007:		Total share:
Exports of services to the Russian Federation (A\$m):	85	0.2%
Imports of services from the Russian Federation (A\$m):	74	0.2%

Major Australian service exports, 2007 (A\$m):		Major Australian service imports, 2007 (A\$m):	
Personal travel excl education	34	Personal travel excl education	40
Education-related travel	25	Business travel	15

The Russian Federation's global merchandise trade relationships:

The Russian Federation's principal export destinations, 2007:			The Russian Federation's principal import sources, 2007:		
1	Netherlands	12.2%	1	Germany	13.9%
2	Italy	7.8%	2	China	12.8%
3	Germany	7.5%	3	Ukraine	7.0%
95	Australia	0.0%	38	Australia	0.3%

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/EIU forecast; (c) PPP is purchasing power parity; (d) Total may not add due to rounding.