

# SAMOA

Fact Sheet

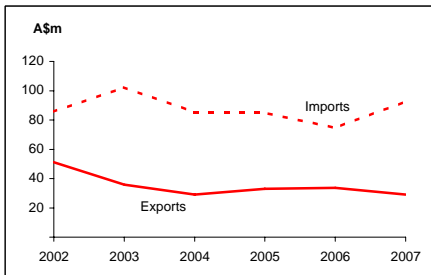
## General information:

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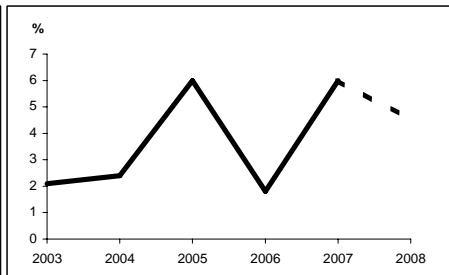
<b>Capital:</b>	Apia	<b>Head of State:</b>	
<b>Surface area:</b>	2,944 sq km	<b>HH Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Efi</b>	
<b>Official languages:</b>	Samoaan, English	<b>Head of Government:</b>	
<b>Population:</b>	189,000 (2007)	<b>Prime Minister The Hon Tuilaepa Lupesoliai Sailele Malielegaoi</b>	
<b>Exchange rate:</b>	A\$1 = 2.2867 Tala (Feb 2008)		

<b>Recent economic indicators:</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007(a)</b>	<b>2008(b)</b>
<b>GDP (US\$m) (current prices):</b>	284	309	343	371	397	423
<b>GDP PPP (US\$m) (c):</b>	776	823	900	946	1,029	1,097
<b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>	1,595	1,711	1,870	1,990	2,101	2,207
<b>GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):</b>	4,360	4,552	4,909	5,079	5,446	5,720
<b>Real GDP growth (% change YOY):</b>	2.1	2.4	6.0	1.8	6.0	4.5
<b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>	-271	-21	-6	-23	-24	-33
<b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>	-95.3	-6.8	-1.7	-6.1	-6.1	-7.8
<b>Goods and services exports (% GDP):</b>	29.7	28.1	28.3	31.3	30.1	32.7
<b>Inflation (% change YOY):</b>	4.3	7.9	1.9	3.8	6.0	5.5

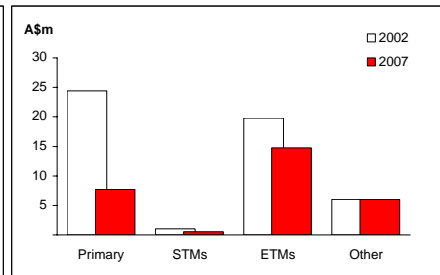
Australia's merchandise trade with Samoa



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Samoa



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

### Australian merchandise trade with Samoa, 2007:

Exports to Samoa (A\$m):	29
Imports from Samoa (A\$m):	93
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	122

<b>Total share:</b>	<b>Rank:</b>	<b>Growth (yoy):</b>
0.0%	84th	-13.6%
0.0%	58th	24.2%
0.0%	65th	12.4%

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

Electrical equipment for circuits	3
Milk & cream	2
Equipment for distributing electricity	1
Cereal preparations	1

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

Equipment for distributing electricity	92
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\*Includes A\$6m of confidential items and special transactions, 21% of total exports.

### Australia's trade in services with Samoa, 2007:

Exports of services to Samoa (A\$m):	na
Imports of services from Samoa (A\$m):	na

### Total share:

na  
na

## Samoa's global merchandise trade relationships:

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

1	Australia	42.8%
2	American Samoa	29.1%
3	United States	3.3%

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

1	New Zealand	21.3%
2	Fiji	14.6%
3	Singapore	13.1%
4	Australia	8.6%

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.