



SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Fact Sheet

General information:

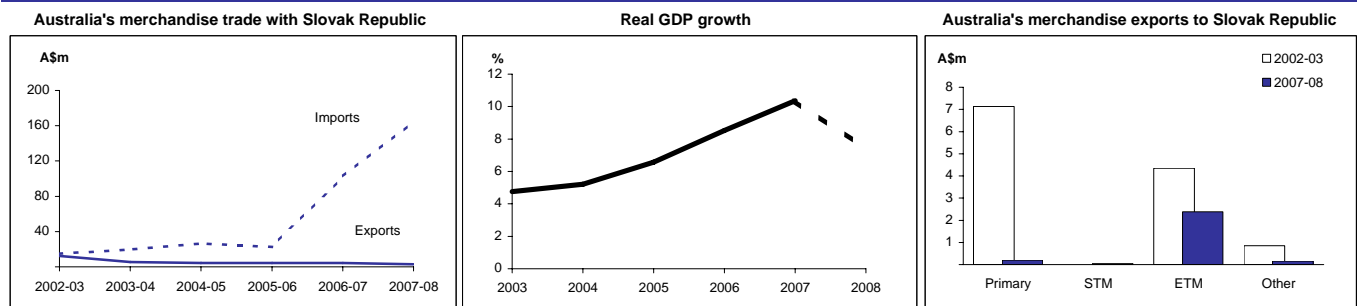
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Capital:	Bratislava
Surface area:	49 thousand sq km
Official language:	Slovak
Population:	5.4 million (2007)
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 18.4998 Koruny (Jul 2008)

Head of State:
President HE Dr Ivan Gašparovič

Head of Government:
Prime Minister HE Mr Robert Fico

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007(a)	2008(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	33.3	42.2	47.9	56.0	75.0	100.6
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	73.0	78.7	86.4	96.8	109.7	120.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	6,161	7,810	8,854	10,357	13,857	18,585
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	13,513	14,559	15,971	17,882	20,268	22,242
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	4.8	5.2	6.6	8.5	10.4	7.4
Current account balance (US\$m):	-1,971	-3,298	-4,090	-3,963	-4,070	-5,160
Current account balance (% GDP):	-5.9	-7.8	-8.5	-7.1	-5.4	-5.1
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	75.9	74.4	75.7	84.2	86.5	94.7
Inflation (% change YOY):	9.4	5.8	3.9	3.7	2.5	4.1



Australia's trade relationship with Slovak Republic (d):

Australian merchandise trade with Slovak Republic, 2007-08:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Slovak Republic (A\$m):	3	0.0%	157th	-35.2%
Imports from Slovak Republic (A\$m):	165	0.1%	50th	61.2%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	168	0.0%	65th	57.3%

Major Australian exports, 2007-08 (A\$m):

No major exports were recorded.

Major Australian imports, 2007-08 (A\$m):

Passenger motor vehicles	119
Glassware	5
Sound & video recorders	5
Furniture, mattresses & cushions	4

Australia's trade in services with Slovak Republic, 2007-08:

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

Slovak Republic's global merchandise trade relationships:

Slovak Republic's principal export destinations, 2007:

1	Germany	21.5%
2	Czech Republic	12.4%
3	France	6.8%
37	Australia	0.2%

Slovak Republic's principal import sources, 2007:

1	Germany	19.9%
2	Czech Republic	11.5%
3	Russian Federation	9.4%
55	Australia	0.0%

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.

na Data not available.