

TONGA

Fact Sheet

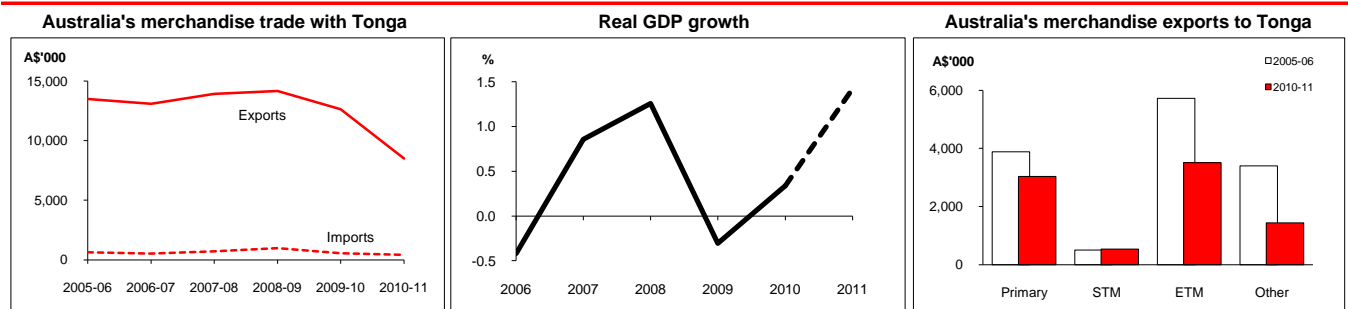
General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; June and December

Capital:	Nuku'alofa	Head of State:	
Surface area:	748 sq km	HM King George Tupou V	
Official languages:	Tongan, English	Head of Government:	
Population:	103,000 (2010)	Prime Minister Lord Tu'iavakano	
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 1.8083 Pa'anga (Jun 2011)		

Recent economic indicators:

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010(a)	2011(b)
GDP (US\$m) (current prices) (c):	300	326	333	335	363	378
GDP PPP (US\$m) (c)(d):	686	712	737	743	754	781
GDP per capita (US\$):	2,953	3,197	3,251	3,261	3,518	3,648
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (d):	6,754	6,980	7,195	7,219	7,297	7,528
Real GDP growth (% change yoy) (c):	-0.4	0.9	1.3	-0.3	0.3	1.4
Current account balance (US\$m):	-24	-28	-39	-37	-34	-43
Current account balance (% GDP):	-8.1	-8.6	-11.7	-11.1	-9.4	-11.3
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	12.0	11.9	14.8	13.0	na	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	6.0	7.5	7.3	3.4	4.0	5.9



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Tonga (e):

Australian merchandise trade with Tonga, 2010-11:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Tonga (A\$'000):	8,518	0.0%	125th	-32.7%
Imports from Tonga (A\$'000):	416	0.0%	160th	-23.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):	8,935	0.0%	146th	-32.3%

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

Tobacco, manufactured	1,771
Telecom equipment & parts	476
Insecticides, herbicides, disinfectants	328
Alcoholic beverages	325

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

Fruit & nuts	194
Vegetables	148
Fish	47
Optical instruments	25

*Includes A\$1.4m of special transactions and confidential items, 17% of total exports.

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

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

Australia's investment relationship with Tonga, 2010 (f):

	Total:	FDI:
Australia's investment in Tonga (A\$m):	27	27
Tonga's investment in Australia (A\$m):	np	nil

Tonga's global merchandise trade relationships:

Tonga's principal export destinations, 2009:

1	New Zealand	33.2%
2	United States	25.7%
3	Japan	16.0%
4	Australia	9.6%

Tonga's principal import sources, 2009:

1	New Zealand	30.4%
2	Singapore	18.4%
3	United States	12.9%
4	Australia	12.1%

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) Year ending 30 June; (d) PPP is purchasing power parity; (e) Total may not add due to rounding; (f) Stock, as at 31 December.

Released annually by the ABS. na Data not available. np Data not published. .. Data not meaningful.