



TUVALU

Fact Sheet

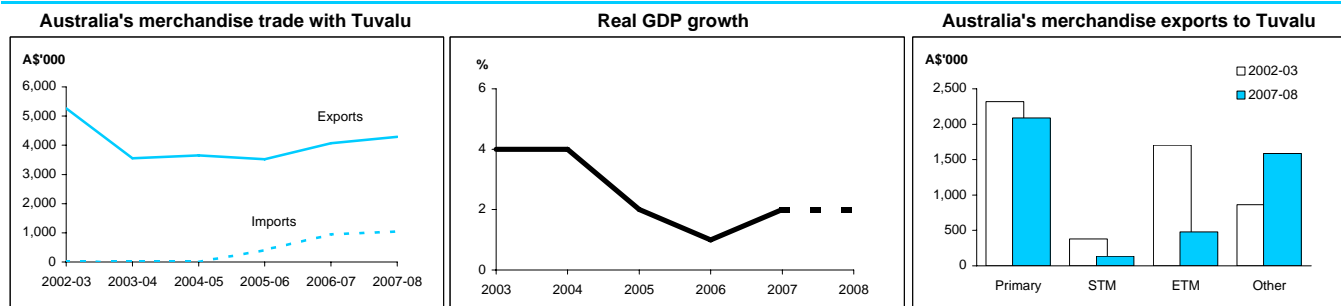
General information:

Fact sheets are updated biannually; May and September

Capital:	Fongafale	Head of State:	HM Queen Elizabeth II, represented by Governor-General Sir Reverend Filoimea Telito
Surface area:	26 sq km	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Hon Apisai Ielemia
Official languages:	Tuvaluan, English		
Population:	9,760 (2006)		
Exchange rate:	Unit of currency = Australian dollar		

Recent economic indicators:

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007(a)	2008(b)
GDP (US\$m) (current prices):	na	na	na	na	na	na
GDP PPP (US\$m) (c):	na	na	na	na	na	na
GDP per capita (US\$):	na	na	na	na	na	na
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	na	na	na	na	na	na
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	4.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	na	na	na	na	na	na
Current account balance (% GDP):	na	na	na	na	na	na
Goods exports (% GDP):	na	na	na	na	na	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	3.3	2.8	3.2	3.8	3.0	3.5



Australia's trade relationship with Tuvalu (d):

Australian merchandise trade with Tuvalu, 2007-08:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Tuvalu (A\$'000):	4,286	0.0%	150th	5.2%
Imports from Tuvalu (A\$'000):	1,047	0.0%	141st	11.1%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):	5,333	0.0%	162nd	6.3%

Major Australian exports, 2007-08* (A\$'000):

Meat (excl beef)	635
Refined petroleum	277
Sugars, molasses & honey	267
Tobacco, manufactured	226

Major Australian imports, 2007-08 (A\$'000):

Orthopaedic appliances	708
Prams, toys, games & sporting goods	54
Railway or tramtrack fixtures & fittings	87
Paper & paperboard	37

*Includes A\$1.5m of confidential items and special transactions, 37% of total exports.

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

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

Tuvalu's global merchandise trade relationships:

Tuvalu's principal export destinations, 2006:

Data not available

Tuvalu's principal import sources, 2006:

1	Australia	22.0%
2	Fiji	18.5%
3	Singapore	18.0%
4	New Zealand	14.6%

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

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