



UNITED KINGDOM

Fact Sheet

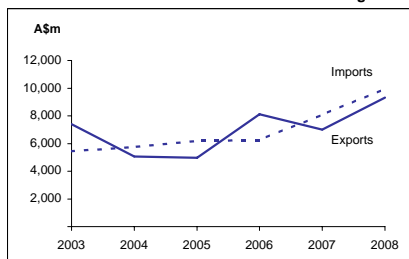
General information:

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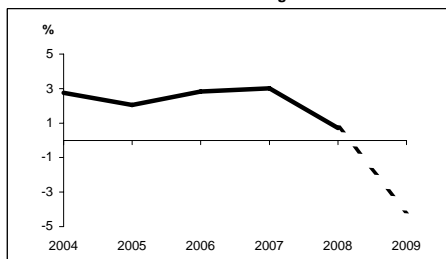
Capital:	London	Head of State:	HM Queen Elizabeth II
Surface area:	243 thousand sq km		
Official language:	English	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Rt Hon Gordon Brown
Population:	61.1 million (2008)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 0.4505 Pounds (Feb 2009)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	2,199.3	2,280.1	2,435.7	2,803.4	2,674.1	2,007.0
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	1,831.8	1,930.3	2,049.0	2,167.8	2,230.5	2,159.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	36,748	37,851	40,202	46,041	43,785	32,798
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	30,608	32,044	33,819	35,601	36,523	35,286
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	2.8	2.1	2.8	3.0	0.7	-4.1
Current account balance (US\$m):	-46,161	-59,511	-82,975	-80,722	-45,392	-40,730
Current account balance (% GDP):	-2.1	-2.6	-3.4	-2.9	-1.7	-2.0
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	24.9	26.0	28.0	25.8	28.9	27.2
Inflation (% change yoy):	1.3	2.0	2.3	2.3	3.6	1.5

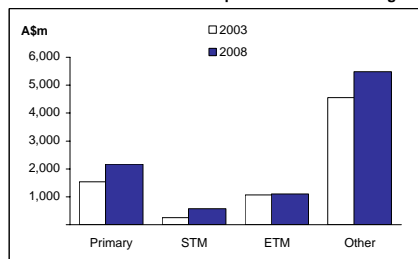
Australia's merchandise trade with the United Kingdom



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to the United Kingdom



Australia's trade relationship with the United Kingdom (d):

Australian merchandise trade with the United Kingdom, 2008:	Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to the United Kingdom (A\$m):	4.2%	7th	33.0%
Imports from the United Kingdom (A\$m):	4.4%	7th	22.9%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	4.3%	6th	27.6%

Major Australian exports, 2008 (A\$m):

Gold	4,827
Coal	962
Alcoholic beverages	814
Lead	506

Major Australian imports, 2008 (A\$m):

Gold	3,341
Medicaments (incl veterinary)	855
Passenger motor vehicles	504
Organo-inorganic compounds	432

Australia's trade in services with the United Kingdom, 2008:

	Total share:
Exports of services to the United Kingdom (A\$m):	8.9%
Imports of services from the United Kingdom (A\$m):	8.2%

Major Australian service exports, 2008 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl education	2,248
Transportation	754

Major Australian service imports, 2008 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl education	1,537
Business & professional	947

United Kingdom's global merchandise trade relationships:

United Kingdom's principal export destinations, 2008:

1	United States	14.1%
2	Germany	11.5%
3	Netherlands	7.7%
18	Australia	1.2%

United Kingdom's principal import sources, 2007:

1	Germany	13.0%
2	United States	8.7%
3	China	7.9%
30	Australia	0.6%

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