



VANUATU

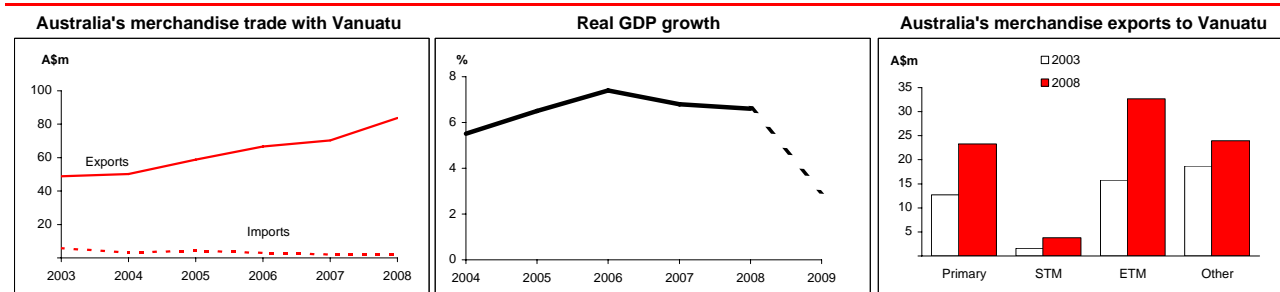
Fact Sheet

General information:

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Capital:	Vila	Head of State:	
Surface area:	12.2 thousand sq km	President HE Mr Kalkot Matas Kelekele	
Official languages:	Bislama, English, French	Head of Government:	
Population:	235,000 (2008)	Prime Minister The Hon Edward Nipake Natapei	
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 77.3226 Vatu (Dec 2008)		

Recent economic indicators:	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008(a)	2009(b)
GDP (US\$m) (current prices):	329	370	416	507	573	554
GDP PPP (US\$m) (c):	680	752	834	915	996	1,036
GDP per capita (US\$):	1,555	1,701	1,865	2,218	2,442	2,301
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	3,210	3,462	3,740	3,998	4,244	4,301
Real GDP growth (% change yoy):	5.5	6.5	7.4	6.8	6.6	3.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-16	-27	-17	-30	-36	-29
Current account balance (% GDP):	-5.0	-7.4	-4.1	-5.9	-6.2	-5.3
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	48.8	47.8	44.1	43.3	44.6	na
Inflation (% change yoy):	1.4	1.2	2.0	3.9	4.8	4.3



Australia's trade relationship with Vanuatu (d):

Australian merchandise trade with Vanuatu, 2008:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Vanuatu (A\$m):	84	0.0%	63rd	19.1%
Imports from Vanuatu (A\$m):	2	0.0%	126th	-1.9%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	86	0.0%	74th	18.5%

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

Liquefied propane & butane	6
Prams, toys, games & sporting goods	3
Alcoholic beverages	3
Tobacco, manufactured	3

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

No significant imports were recorded from Vanuatu

*Includes A\$24m of confidential items and special transactions, 29% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Vanuatu, 2008:

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

Vanuatu's global merchandise trade relationships.

Vanuatu's principal export destinations, 2007:

1	Thailand	58.3%
2	India	18.5%
3	Japan	11.3%
11	Australia	0.6%

Vanuatu's principal import sources, 2007:

1	Australia	20.7%
2	Singapore	11.8%
3	New Zealand	11.2%

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

na Data not available.