



# **COSTA RICA**

Key economic indicators: 2024 (top), 2023 (bottom) and sparkline (2019-2024). Estimates are blue.

Source: IMF WEO

Nominal GDP (USD billions) 95.4 86.5

Population (people, millions) 5.3 • 5.3

Real GDP growth (% yoy) 4.3 ▼

Unemployment (% labour force) 6.9 ▼

balance (% GDP) **-1.4** ▲

Current account

Gross govt debt (% GDP)

59.8 ▼ 61.1

#### Australia - Costa Rica investment, 2024 (stocks)

Source: ABS

Investment in Costa Rica		Investment from Costa Rica		
Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)	Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)	
59	14	9	np	
Destination Ranking: na		Source Ranking: na		

### Australia's goods and services trade with Costa Rica, 2024

Source: DFAT-adjusted ABS data

Exports	Destination Ranking: 131
Item	A\$m
Silver & platinum	8.1
Education-related travel	3.0
Electrical circuits equipment	2.3
Internal combustion piston engines	2.2
Recreational travel	2.0
Non-electrical machinery & parts	1.3
Vehicle parts & accessories	1.0
Total	25.8

Imports	Source Ranking: 67		
Item	A\$m		
Medical instruments (incl veterinary)	164.4		
Misc manufactured articles, nes	39.7		
Recreational travel	12.0		
Coffee & substitutes	9.0		
Medical electrodiagnostic apparatus	6.5		
Electrical circuits equipment	4.8		
Miscellaneous chemical products, nes	3.0		
Total	259.8		

## Costa Rica's global merchandise trade relationships, 2024

Source: Various international sources

Source: Home Affairs, DESE

Principal export destination	ns		
Destination	Share	е	Rank
United States	47	7.3%	1
Netherlands	8	3.7%	2
Guatemala	5	5.1%	3
Belgium	4	1.2%	4
Nicaragua	3	3.7%	5
Australia	C	).1%	39

Destination	S	hare	Rank •
United States		38.6%	1
China		15.9%	2
Mexico		5.6%	3
Malaysia		3.1%	4
Japan		2.8%	5
Australia		0.1%	54

Principal import sources

#### Flow of people from Costa Rica

Resident returns (movements) International student numbers Year ended Dec 2024 2024

Arrivals and returns, years ended Dec arrivals returns 0K 2020 2010

Year ended Dec 2024 930 0.0%

Visitor arrivals (movements)

2.560

65 0.0%

Compiled by the Trade Data Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources. IMF data may include forecasts or projections for recent years.

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