



IRELAND

Key economic indicators: 2023 (top), 2022 (bottom) and sparkline (2018-2023). Estimates are blue. Source: IMF WEO

Nominal GDP (USD billions)	Population (people, millions)	Real GDP growth (% yoy)	Unemployment (% labour force)	Current account balance (% GDP)	Gross govt debt (% GDP)
551.6 ▲ 549.0	5.3 ▲ 5.2	-5.5 ▼ 8.6	4.3 ▼ 4.5	8.1 ▼ 8.8	43.3 ▲ 43.1

Australia - Ireland investment, 2023 (stocks)

Source: ABS

Investment in Ireland		Investment from Ireland	
Total (A\$b)	FDI (A\$b)	Total (A\$b)	FDI (A\$b)
68	np	42	8
Destination Ranking: 11		Source Ranking: 17	

Australia's goods and services trade with Ireland, 2023-24

Source: DFAT-adjusted ABS data

Exports		Destination Ranking: 39	Imports		Source Ranking: 20
Item	A\$m		Item	A\$m	
Prof, tech & other business services	295.0		IP charges	1,058.0	
Recreational travel	256.0		Medicaments (incl veterinary)	823.4	
Telecom & ICT services	131.0		Prof, tech & other business services	546.0	
Business-related travel	81.0		Recreational travel	466.0	
Financial services	34.0		Pharm products (excl medicaments)	447.1	
IP charges	32.0		Misc manufactured articles, nes	341.2	
Personal, Cultural and Recreational services	30.0		Telecom & ICT services	281.0	
Total	983.8		Total	5,141.3	

Ireland's global merchandise trade relationships, 2023

Source: Various international sources

Principal export destinations				Principal import sources			
Destination	Share	Rank		Destination	Share	Rank	
United States	26.7%	1		United Kingdom	19.4%	1	
United Kingdom	11.6%	2		United States	15.7%	2	
Germany	10.5%	3		France	12.4%	3	
Belgium	9.6%	4		Germany	6.8%	4	
Netherlands	8.6%	5		China	6.2%	5	
Australia	0.4%	20		Australia	0.1%	51	

Flow of people from Ireland

Source: Home Affairs, DESE

Visitor arrivals (movements)	Resident returns (movements)	International student numbers	Arrivals and returns, years ended Jun
Year ended Jun 2024	Year ended Jun 2024	2023	
84,710	76,580	717	
1.1%	0.7%	0.1%	

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GDP - Gross Domestic Product. na - Data is not available. np - Data is not published. f.c.f - Fresh, chilled or frozen. nes - Not elsewhere specified.