

SIERRA LEONE

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

Source: IMF WEO

Nominal GDP (USD billions) 7.7 •

6.4

Population (people, millions)

9.0

8.8

Real GDP growth (% yoy)

3.7

Unemployment (% labour force)

na

- force) balance (% GDP)
-5.5 ▲
-9.5 ✓

Current account

Gross govt debt (% GDP)

43.0 ▼

Australia - Sierra Leone investment, 2024 (stocks)

Source: ABS

Investment in Sierra Leone		Investment from Sierra Leone		
Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)	Total (A\$m)	FDI (A\$m)	
-	-	-	-	
Destination Ranking: na		Source Ranking: na		

Australia's goods and services trade with Sierra Leone, 2024

Source: DFAT-adjusted ABS data

Exports	Destination Ranking: 157
Item	A\$m
Specialised machinery & parts	2.6
Education-related travel	2.0
Special transactions & commodities	1.2
Other services - details not provided	1.0
Electrical circuits equipment	0.3
Measuring & analysing instruments	0.3
Medical electrodiagnostic apparatus	0.1
Total	8.3

Imports	Source Ranking: 156		
Item	A\$m		
Recreational travel	2.0		
Agric machinery (excl tractors) & parts	1.3		
Specialised machinery & parts	0.9		
Mechanical handling equip & parts	0.6		
Electrical circuits equipment	0.2		
Food processing machines & parts	0.2		
Electrical machinery & parts, nes	0.2		
Total	6.8		

Sierra Leone's global merchandise trade relationships, 2024 Source: Various international sources

Principal export destinations			
Destination	•	Share	Rank
China		37.2%	1
North Macedonia		28.5%	2
Netherlands		11.1%	3
Republic of Korea		3.6%	4
India		2.7%	5
Australia		0.0%	49

Visitor arrivals (movements)

Year ended Dec 2024

60

0.0%

Destination	Share	Rank
China	25.4%	1
India	10.2%	2
North Macedonia	6.7%	3
United Arab Emirates	5.4%	4
Turkiye	5.4%	5
Australia	0.2%	43

Principal import sources

Flow of people from Sierra Leone

Resident returns (movements)
Year ended Dec 2024

450

International student numbers
2024
28



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