



General information

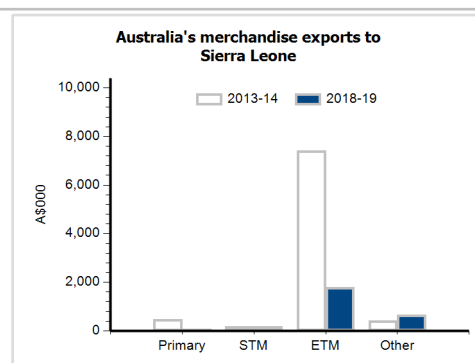
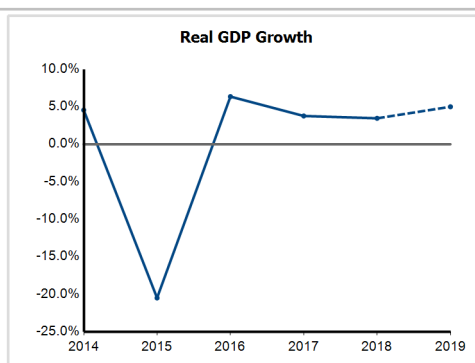
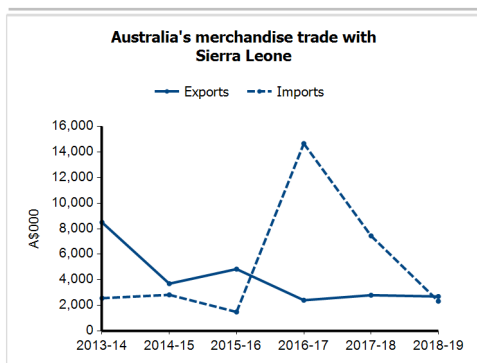
Capital:	Freetown
Land area:	72,180 sq km
Official language(s):	English
Population:	7.6 million (2018)
Currency:	Leone

Head of State and Head of Government

President HE Julius Maada Bio

Economic indicators (a)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	5.0	4.3	3.8	3.7	4.1	4.2
GDP per capita (US\$)	721.6	599.6	522.4	503.3	539.2	546.6
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	12.7	10.2	10.9	11.5	12.2	13.1
GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)	1,823.3	1,433.2	1,506.9	1,558.9	1,616.5	1,690.4
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	4.6	-20.5	6.4	3.8	3.5	5.0
Current account balance (US\$b)	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5	-0.6	-0.5
Current account balance (% GDP)	-9.3	-15.5	-4.4	-14.4	-13.8	-12.3
Inflation (% change yoy)	4.6	6.7	10.9	18.2	16.9	15.7
Unemployment (% labour force)	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.3	4.3	na



Australia's trade and investment relationship with Sierra Leone (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Sierra Leone, 2018-19 (A\$000)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Sierra Leone	0.0%	153rd	-3.6%
Imports from Sierra Leone	0.0%	139th	-68.8%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	0.0%	157th	-51.0%

Major Australian exports, 2018-19 (A\$000)

Specialised machinery & parts	1,130
Other inorganic chemicals	150
Passenger motor vehicles	108
Telecom equipment & parts	105

Major Australian imports, 2018-19 (A\$000)

Pearls & gems	263
Women's clothing (excl knitted)	204
Made-up textile articles, nes	166
Household-type equipment, nes	145

*Includes \$647,000 of special transactions, 24% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Sierra Leone, 2018-19 (A\$m)

	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Sierra Leone	0.0%	107th	366.7%
Imports of services from Sierra Leone	0.0%	121st	14.3%

Australia's investment relationship with Sierra Leone, 2018 (A\$m)

	Total	FDI
Australia's investment in Sierra Leone	np	np
Sierra Leone's investment in Australia	np	0

Sierra Leone's global merchandise trade relationships

Sierra Leone's principal export destinations, 2017

1 The Netherlands	23.0%
2 China	13.0%
3 Côte d'Ivoire	12.2%
26 Australia	0.2%

Sierra Leone's principal import sources, 2017

1 China	16.8%
2 India	7.8%
3 Turkey	7.2%
43 Australia	0.2%