



Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



Australia

GDP (US\$	Population	Income per	Unemployment	Ease of Doing
billions) (2016)	(millions)	capita (current	rate (2014)	Business Rank
	(2016)	US\$) (2016)		(2016)
1,782	24	74,042	6	13

Macro Indicators

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GDP growth (annual %)	3.04	3.14	2.64	2.60	2.40	2.90
Current account balance	-4.96	-4.54	-3.34	-3.08	-3.70	-4.45
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	-0.54	-3.67	-16.10	-16.30	-17.52	-18.53
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.22	0.16	0.16	0.16		
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	90.90	111.66	116.72	119.59	127.70	128.62



Investment indicators

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	23.8	28.8	29.1	29.7	29.9	30.5
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	27.5	28.4	28.4	27.2	_	_
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	2.8	3.5	3.5	3.5	_	_
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	11.1	12.6	NA	_	_	_



Trade Indicators

Trade Indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	38.05	44.30	45.02	46.12	46.88	47.81
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	4.52	-0.93	-0.40	-0.35	-0.24	-0.34
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	2.57	5.36	5.60	5.24	4.34	4.72
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	8.29	6.25	3.08	4.96	3.84	5.16
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	1.78	1.39	1.58	1.70	_	_



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Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015

Gross Value Added by
Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)

Services
Other

Data not available

Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

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Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

Consumer goods	Capital goods	Intermediate goods	Raw materials
43	31	15	10

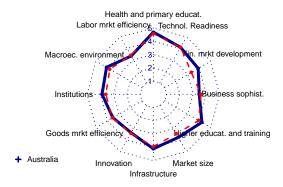
Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	4	4	0
Ease of Doing Business Rank	12	13	-1
Enforcing Contracts	4	4	0
Getting Credit	4	5	-1
Getting Electricity	36	39	-3
Paying Taxes	42	42	0
Protecting Minority Investors	64	66	-2
Registering Property	45	47	-2
Resolving Insolvency	13	14	-1
Starting a Business	7	11	-4
Trading Across Borders	89	89	0

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

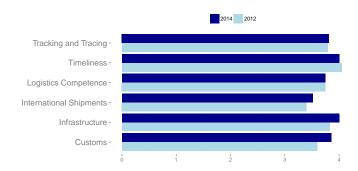
WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(Scale 1-5, 5=best)



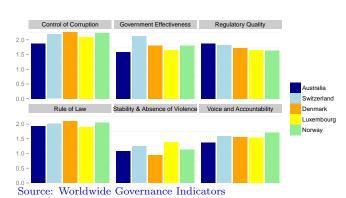
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)



Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



Trade Policy

	2010	2014
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	2.9	2.9
Binding $(\%)$	97.1	97.0
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	4.5	2.9
Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]	_	2.2
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	1.3	1.4
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	3.1	3.1
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	2.8	2.8
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	103.0

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Private Sector's Views

Enterprise Survey 2013

Key Subsection CountryCode Period Scale Observation Source IndicatorShort

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondents)

Data not available

Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondants among 88 executives)



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015



