



AUSTRALIA

Fact Sheet

General Information

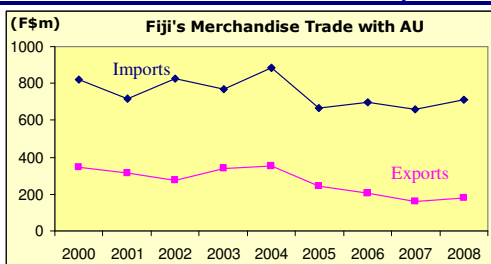
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Capital	Canberra	Export Commodities	coal, iron ore, gold, meat, wool, alumina, wheat, machinery and transport equipment
Surface Area	7,692 thousand sq km	Import Commodities	machinery & transport equipment, computers & office machines, telecommunication equipment & parts; crude oil and petroleum products
Head of State	H.M Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General Major General Michael Jeffery	Natural Resources	Bauxite, Coal, Iron ore, Copper, tin, Gold, Silver, Uranium, Nickel, Tungsten, Mineral Sands, Lead, Zinc, Diamonds, Natural Gas, Petroleum
Head of Government	Prime Minister The Hon. Kevin Rudd	Agriculture Products	Wheat, Barley, Sugarcane, Fruits, Cattle, Sheep, Poultry
Population	21.1 million (2007)	Major Industries	Mining, industrial and transportation equipment, food processing, chemicals, steel
Official Language	English		
Literacy Rate	99%		
Exchange Rate	1 FJD = 0.605034 AUD (June09)		

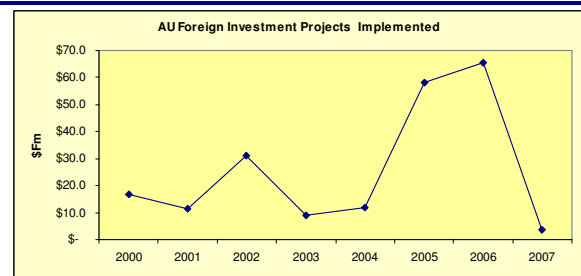
Australia Economic Indicators

	2009 ¹	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices)	243.3	277.2	283.4	257.9	242.7	216.3
GDP per Capita (US\$)	4,943	5,693	5,922	5,442	5,176	4,656
GDP per capita PPP (\$US\$)	10,070	10,119	9,778	9,147	8,504	7,887
Real GDP Growth (% change YOY)	-0.3	3.1	5.1	5.3	5.0	4.9
Current Account Balance (US\$m)	-14,062	-20,530	-20,707	-16,284	-9,773	-6,920
Current Account Balance (% of GDP)	-5.8	-7.4	-7.3	-6.3	-4.0	-3.2
Goods & Services Exports(% of GDP)	34.1	35.4	31.6	29.5	27.4	26.8
Inflation (% change YOY)	6.1	11.5	7.1	4.7	3.4	1.4

Fiji's Trade and Investment relationship with Australia



Adapted from FIBOS



Source: FTIB08

Fiji's Merchandise Trade with Australia 2008

Major Domestic Exports to Australia (\$Fm)		Major Imports from Australia (\$Fm)	
Garments	\$29.7	Wheat and meslin	\$94.4
Gold (including gold plated with platinum)	\$26.7	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	\$30.5
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts	\$25.0	Petroleum oils	\$18.0
Bread, pastry, cakes, sweet biscuits	\$21.4	Soya-bean oil and its fractions	\$15.0
Men's or boys' underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles	\$14.1	Printing machinery used for printing	\$13.8

Australia's Global Merchandise Trade Relationship 2008

Major Australian Exports (%)		Australian's main export destination, (%)		Major Australian Imports (A\$m)		Australian's main import source, (%)	
1. Coal	20.9	1. Japan	22.7	1. Crude Petroleum	7.9	1. China	15.6
2. Iron Ore	13.6	2. China	14.6	2. Refined Petroleum	6.7	2. USA	11.8
3. Gold	6.4	3. Rep of Korea	8.3	3. Passenger motor vehicles	6.5	3. Japan	9.0
4. Crude Petroleum	4.7	4. India	6.1	4. Gold	4.3	4. Singapore	7.2
5. Natural Gas	4.1	5. US	5.5	5. Telecom equipment & parts	3.1	5. Germany	5.0

Fiji's trade in services with Australia, 2007

- Fiji's export of service to Australia (A\$m) – 724 (1.9%)
- Fiji's import of service to Australia (A\$m) – 145 (0.4%)

Australia's trade in service, 2007

- Exports of services (A\$m) 48,042
- Imports of services (A\$m) 46,054

[June09] Compiled using the latest data from the DFAT, FIBOS & RBF and various international sources

¹ IMF April 09 Forecast