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Australia's bovine meat exports to the top 3 Americas partners, by the top 3 States (A\$'000)

		2004	2005	% change
United States	Total	1,411,142	1,208,318	-14.4
	of which -			
	Queensland	770,543	712,516	-7.5
	Victoria	311,771	254,591	-18.3
	New South Wales	254,207	164,502	-35.3
Canada	Total	40,066	32,414	-19.1
	of which -			
	Queensland	23,902	17,038	-28.7
	New South Wales	10,042	7,072	-29.6
	Victoria	5,285	7,024	32.9
Mexico	Total	6,954	10,137	45.8
	of which -			
	Queensland	4,969	8,615	73.4
	New South Wales	917	856	-6.7
	South Australia	0	499	..

Australia's alcoholic beverages exports to the top 3 Americas partners, by the top 3 States (A\$'000)

		2004	2005	% change
United States	Total	896,533	907,227	1.2
	of which -			
	South Australia	376,259	389,701	3.6
	New South Wales	356,343	304,898	-14.4
	Victoria	149,157	198,021	32.8
Canada	Total	223,662	255,443	14.2
	of which -			
	South Australia	102,245	107,129	4.8
	Victoria	69,759	82,087	17.7
	New South Wales	48,318	61,108	26.5
Mexico	Total	644	1,622	151.9
	of which -			
	South Australia	215	1,438	568.8
	New South Wales	254	106	-58.3
	Victoria	90	79	-12.2

Australia's trade highlights with the Americas – 2005

- Australia's trade with the Americas was valued at \$51.9 billion in 2005, and accounted for 14 per cent of total trade.
- Exports to the Americas rose 3 per cent to \$18.7 billion in 2005 (11 per cent of total exports).
- Since 2000, exports to the Americas have declined by an annual average of 3 per cent per year.
- Exports to the Americas were made up of 30 per cent *Primary products*, 27 per cent *Manufactures*, 15 per cent *Other exports*, and 28 per cent *Services*.
- Exports to the United States were valued at \$13.7 billion, exports to Canada totaled \$2.3 billion, and exports to Mexico were valued at \$865 million.
- Imports from the Americas increased by 5 per cent to \$33.2 billion in 2005 (17 per cent of total imports).
- Since 2000, imports from the Americas have declined by 0.8 per cent per annum on average.
- Imports from the Americas in 2005 comprised 6 per cent *Primary products*, 70 per cent *Manufactures*, 1 per cent *Other imports*, and 23 per cent *Services*.
- Imports from the United States were valued at \$27.9 billion, from Canada at \$2.5 billion, and from Mexico were valued at \$871 million.
- The Americas' share of total Australian trade has declined from 19 per cent in 2000, to 14 per cent in 2005.

Australia's trade with the Americas

The Americas accounted for 14 per cent of Australia's total trade in goods and services in 2005, 11 per cent of total exports and 17 per cent of total imports.

Australia's goods and services trade with the Americas is dominated by trade with the United States. The United States was Australia's second largest trading partner in 2005, the third largest export market and the largest source of imports.

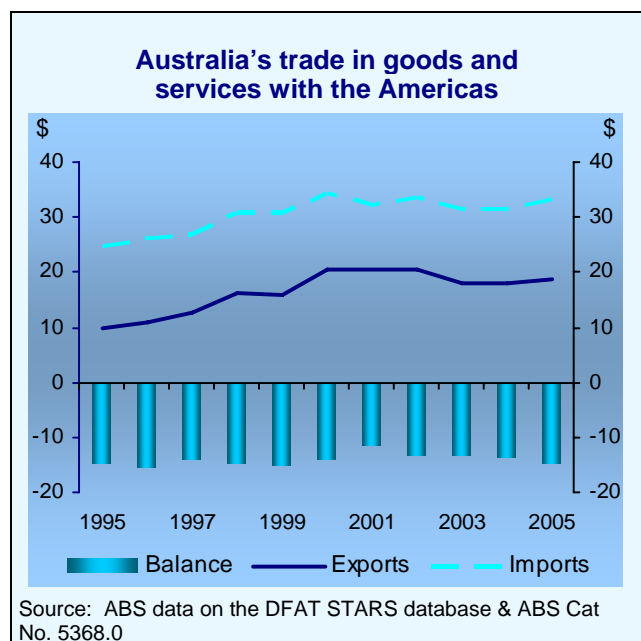
The United States accounted for 11 per cent of Australia's total trade in 2005, with the rest of the Americas accounting for another 3 per cent.

Australia's trade performance with the Americas – 2005

Australia's trade in goods and services with the Americas rose 4 per cent to \$51.9 billion¹ in 2005. Exports of goods and services rose 3 per cent to \$18.7

billion, and imports of goods and services rose 5 per cent to \$33.2 billion.

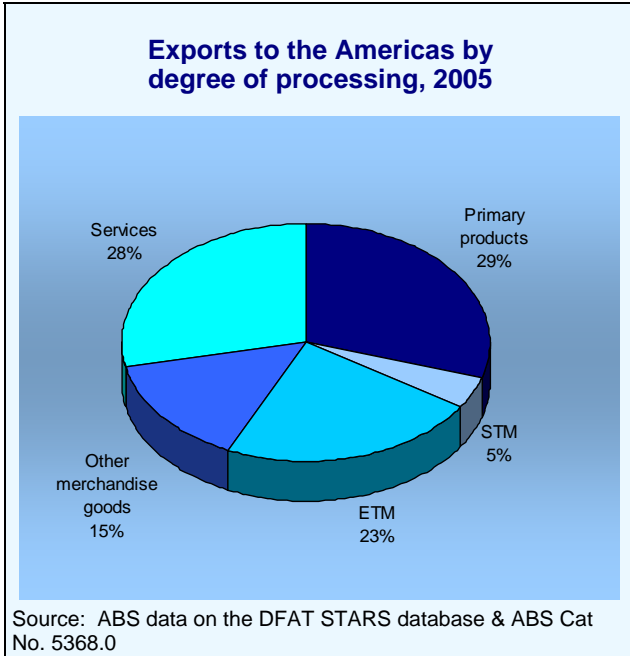
In 2005, Australia recorded a deficit with the Americas of \$14.6 billion (up 8 per cent on the deficit in 2004).



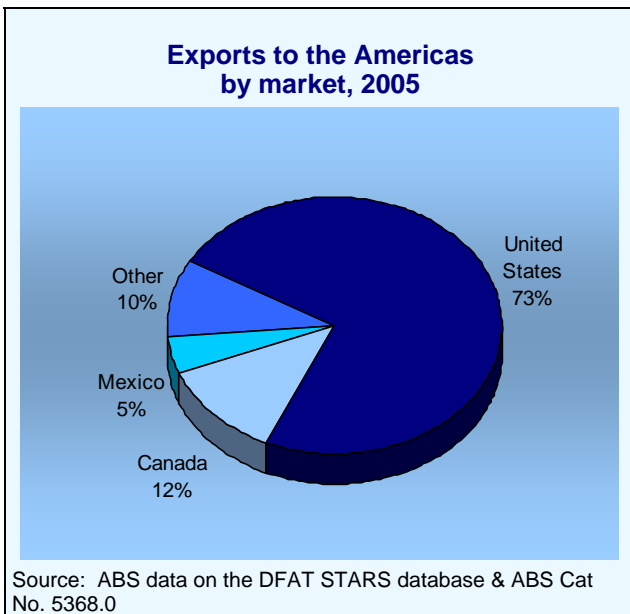
¹ Unless otherwise stated, all dollar amounts quoted in this publication are measured in Australian dollars and are in current price terms. Unless otherwise stated, all data for goods (merchandise) trade is published on a recorded trade basis as opposed to a balance of payments basis.

Exports of goods and services

In 2005, exports to the Americas were made up of 30 per cent *Primary products*, 5 per cent *Simply transformed manufactures (STM)*, 23 per cent *Elaborately transformed manufactures (ETM)*, 15 per cent *Other exports*, and 28 per cent *Services*.



Exports of *Primary products* to the Americas rose 4 per cent to \$5.5 billion in 2005 (mainly due to a strong rise in exports of *Coal*, up 125 per cent to \$1.2 billion). Exports of *STM* fell 5 per cent to \$845 million, (mainly due to decreased exports of *Aluminium*). *ETM* exports rose 5 per cent to \$4.3 billion with strong growth in *Medicaments, Aircraft & parts* and *Medical instruments*. *Other exports* (mainly *Gold* and *Confidential items* – see box A) decreased 1 per cent to \$2.7 billion, while *Services* exports rose 4 per cent to \$5.3 billion.



Exports to the United States were valued at \$13.7 billion in 2005 (73 per cent of total exports to the Americas). Canada accounted for 12 per cent (\$2.3 billion), Mexico 5 per cent (\$865 million), and the rest of the Americas contributed 10 per cent (\$1.8 billion).

Major merchandise exports to the Americas in 2005 included:

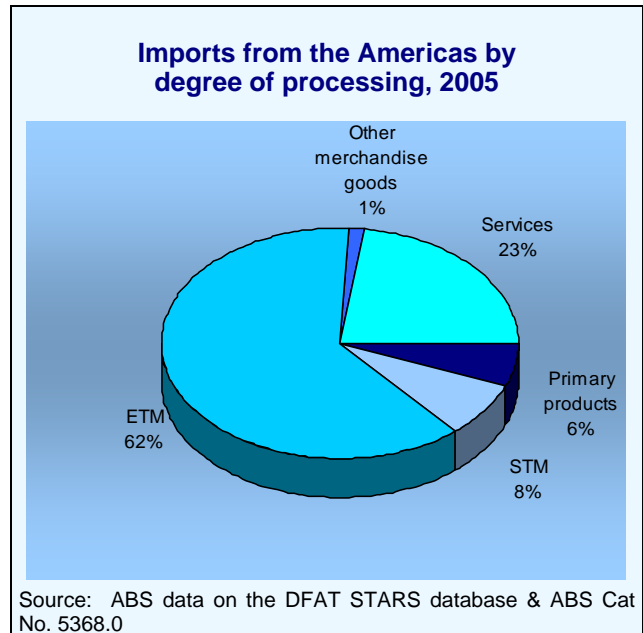
- *Bovine meat, f.c.f.* (\$1.3 billion)
- *Coal* (\$1.2 billion)
- *Alcoholic beverages* (\$1.2 billion)
- *Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.* (\$541 million)
- *Passenger vehicles* (\$379 million)

Services exports to the Americas in 2005 were made up of 16 per cent *Transportation services* (\$841 million), 35 per cent *Travel services* (\$1.8 billion), and 49 per cent *Other services* (\$2.6 billion).

The United States accounted for 84 per cent of Australia's *services* exports to the Americas in 2005, valued at \$4.4 billion. Canada accounted for 10 per cent (\$500 million) and the rest of the Americas 6 per cent (\$340 million).

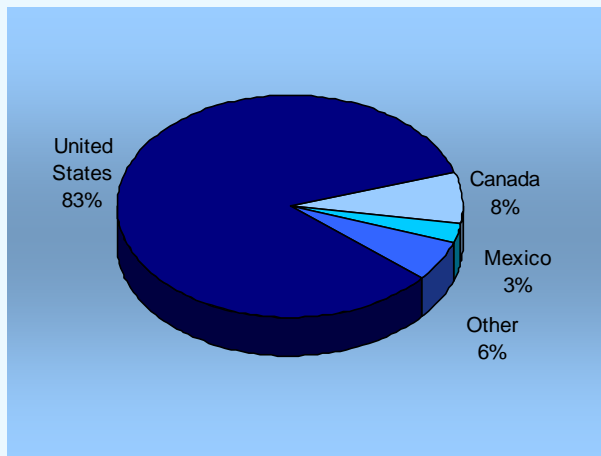
Imports of goods and services

Australia's imports from the Americas in 2005 were dominated by *ETM*, which accounted for 62 per cent of total imports. The remainder was made up of 6 per cent *Primary products*, 8 per cent *STM*, 1 per cent *Other imports*, and 23 per cent *Services*.



Imports of *Primary products* from the Americas rose 12 per cent to \$2.1 billion in 2005, mainly due to higher *Processed food* and *Minerals* imports. *Manufactures* imports rose 5 per cent to \$23.2 billion, while *Other imports* decreased 6 per cent to \$440 million. Imports of *Services* from the Americas rose 4 per cent to \$7.6 billion in 2005.

Imports from the Americas by market, 2005



Source: ABS data on the DFAT STARS database & ABS Cat No. 5368.0.

As with exports, the United States was the principal source of imports within the Americas. Imports from the United States accounted for 84 per cent of total imports from the Americas in 2005, valued at

\$27.9 billion. Imports from Canada accounted for 8 per cent (\$2.5 billion), from Mexico 3 per cent (\$871 million), and the rest of the Americas contributed 6 per cent (\$2.0 billion).

Principal imports from the Americas in 2005 included:

- *Aircraft and parts* (\$1.6 billion);
- *Medicaments* (\$1.0 billion);
- *Telecommunications equipment* (\$967 million);
- *Measuring instruments* (\$886 million); and
- *Combustion engines* (\$786 million).

Services imported from the Americas in 2005 comprised 8 per cent *Transportation services* (\$585 million), 35 per cent *Travel services* (\$2.6 billion), and 58 per cent *Other services* (\$4.4 billion).

The United States was the source of 86 per cent (\$6.5 billion) of Australia's imports of services from the Americas in 2005. Canada provided 8 per cent (\$640 million), and the rest of the Americas 6 per cent (\$454 million).

Box A: Exports of other goods to the Americas

In 2005, Australia exported \$2.7 billion of *Other goods* to the Americas which constituted almost 15 per cent of our total exports to the region. The major components of this category were goods exported to the Americas that have been classified as '*confidential exports*' around \$2.5 billion in 2005.

While confidentiality provisions of Commonwealth legislation constrain the publication by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) of some trade activity, it is possible to find out more details about the types of commodities that are included in the '*confidential exports*' item by comparing ABS export data with partner country import data (e.g. United States' imports from Australia).

It should be noted that data as published by our major trading partners in the America's region are not fully compatible with data as published by the ABS. This is due to certain timing, coverage and valuation differences that will exist between the two data sets. For example, most import data as published by our trading partners in the Americas region are on a c.i.f. (cost, insurance and freight) basis, whereas the ABS export data are published on a f.o.b. (free on board) basis. A valuation on a c.i.f. basis will be higher than a valuation on a f.o.b. basis as it includes the additional cost of insurance and freight. The United States, like Australia, publishes imports data on a f.o.b. basis

More information on the types of differences that can be encountered when comparing trade data between countries is available on the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au under the *Economy – International trade* theme page.

However, the table A will give the reader a guide to the major types of commodities that are imported from Australia by our American trading partners, for which data are not published by the ABS due to legislated confidentiality constraints.

**Table A: Imports of selected Australian commodities
by our major trading partners in the Americas
(A\$ million) (a)**

	2003	2004	2005	% growth 2004 to 2005
1. Cane Sugar				
Canada	84	44	nya	..
United States	48	53	53	0.1
2. Aluminium ores (incl. alumina)				
Canada	500	512	nya	..
United States	265	258	323	25.3
3. Titanium ores				
United States	186	151	128	-15.3
4. Zirconium and tantalum ores				
United States	99	84	64	-23.7
5. Natural gas				
United States	0	119	0	-100.0
6. Nickel & nickel alloys (b)				
United States	155	211	249	17.8

(a) Partner country data has been converted to Australian dollars using period average exchange rates as published by the Reserve Bank.

(b) Includes nickel mattes, nickel oxide sinters and nickel unwrought.

Source: World Trade Atlas and UN data on DFAT STARS database.

The Australia–United States Free Trade Agreement: Impact on bilateral trade

The impact of a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on bilateral trade is affected by a number of factors, including the protection levels prior to FTAs being implemented, the reduction in tariff levels and other market access gains under the FTA, and the composition of trade at the time the FTA commences. The level of demand in respective countries and movements in exchange rates can also have a major impact.

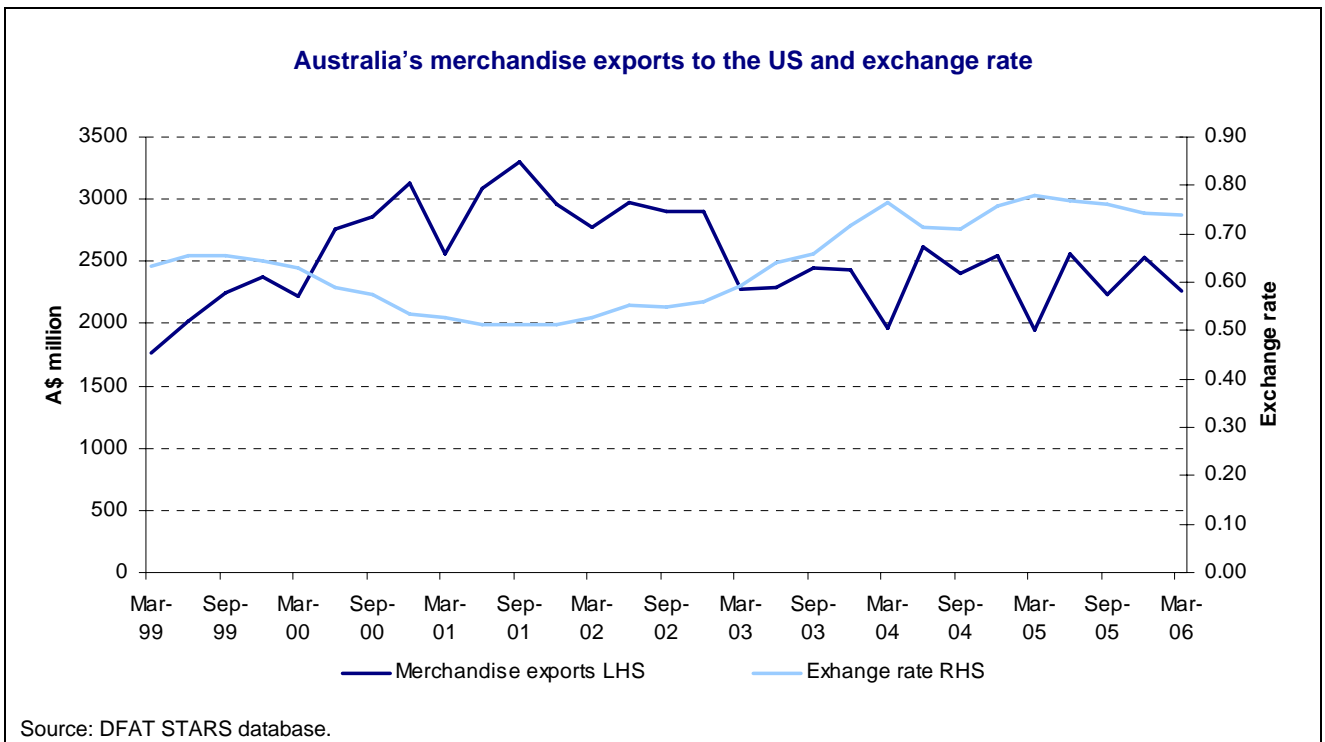
The Australia-United States Free Trade Agreement (AUSFTA) came into force on 1 January 2005. It is too early to assess the benefits of the Agreement at this stage. The Agreement is a long-term commitment to strengthening trade relations and economic integration with the United States.

Over time, it is expected that exports of agriculture and other goods will rise as Australian exporters take up new commercial opportunities associated with the FTA. Opportunities in services trade and government procurement will have longer lead times.

An increasing number of Australian exporters are now showing some interest in the US market. The Sensis Business Index has found that over one quarter of Australia's exporting small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) identified the United States as a major export destination, a rise of 5 per cent from the beginning of the year.

There are indications that certain sectors have benefited from the first year of implementation of the AUSFTA. Services exports (which account for around one-third of Australia's exports to the United States) increased by 3.6 per cent in 2005. The implementation of the AUSFTA was also accompanied by a 47 per cent increase in Australia's dairy exports to the United States, with exports of fresh and unprocessed cheese recording a 90 per cent increase following increased dairy quotas and reduced tariffs. Lamb and mutton exports to the United States increased by 19 per cent and significant new government procurement contracts were achieved during the first year of the FTA.

Overall, however, Australia's goods and services exports to the United States fell by 0.9 per cent in 2005 (the first year of the AUSFTA implementation). Merchandise exports fell by 3 per cent, while services exports rose by 3.6 per cent. Australia's merchandise exports to the United States have been in decline since 2001, due partly to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the US dollar. They declined on average by 4.8 per cent per year in the five years to 2005. This trend continued in 2005 due to factors unrelated to the FTA, including factors affecting crude oil, beef and passenger motor vehicles exports to the United States:



Source: DFAT STARS database.

- Australia's exports of crude oil to the United States were down 46 per cent, reflecting a greater proportion of our crude exports being sent to Asia for refining;
- Passenger motor vehicle exports to the United States fell by 24 per cent following decreasing demand in the US market for larger vehicles due to higher oil prices; and
- Australia's beef exports to the United States fell 14.4 per cent due to Australian beef suppliers' diversification away from the US market into Asia, particularly Japan (Australia's total beef exports were at a record level in 2005).

When these items are excluded from the trade figures, Australia's merchandise exports to the US rose by 4 per cent in 2005 compared with 2004. Currency movements have also affected Australia-US trade since the implementation of the AUSFTA. The Australian dollar was on average about 4 per cent higher in 2005 compared with 2004.

The United States' exports to Australia rose by 4.2 per cent in 2005, driven by increases in civil engineering equipment and medicinal and pharmaceutical products. These increases were largely unrelated to the FTA, as most of these products were free of tariffs before the Agreement.

Section 1: Statistical tables

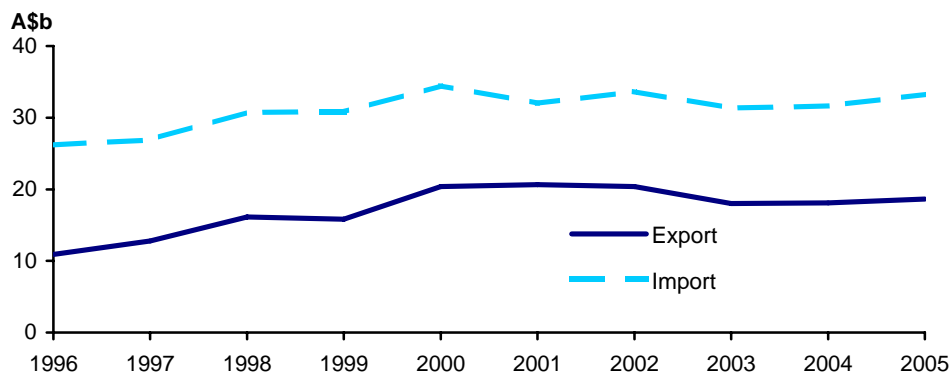
TABLE 1: AUSTRALIA'S EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES (a)
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005	% share		% growth	
				Americas total	World total	2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	16,269	16,268	15,947	85.5	9.1	-2.0	-3.8
of which:							
Canada	2,157	2,444	2,255	12.1	1.3	-7.7	3.2
United States	14,111	13,824	13,691	73.4	7.8	-1.0	-4.8
Central America & Caribbean	674	691	1,098	5.9	0.6	58.8	9.9
of which:							
Mexico	477	458	865	4.6	0.5	88.8	14.2
Other	197	233	233	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.2
Chile	138	171	212	1.1	0.1	24.0	4.5
Peru	60	76	78	0.4	0.0	2.0	6.9
Americas nes (b)	850	911	1,316	7.1	0.7	44.5	5.2
Total Americas	17,990	18,117	18,650	100.0	10.6	2.9	-2.7
Total World	141,860	153,546	176,026		100.0	14.6	2.6

TABLE 2: AUSTRALIA'S IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005	% share		% growth	
				Americas total	World total	2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	28,995	29,223	30,396	91.4	15.6	4.0	-1.3
of which:							
Canada	2,266	2,404	2,503	7.5	1.3	4.1	1.2
United States	26,729	26,820	27,893	83.9	14.4	4.0	-1.5
Central America & Caribbean	1,161	1,282	1,426	4.3	0.7	11.3	7.6
of which:							
Mexico	604	705	871	2.6	0.4	23.5	10.5
Other	557	577	556	1.7	0.3	-3.6	4.3
Chile	186	152	212	0.6	0.1	39.5	8.5
Peru	95	71	76	0.2	0.0	7.4	1.3
Americas nes (b)	883	902	1,137	3.4	0.6	26.0	3.9
Total Americas	31,319	31,630	33,247	100.0	17.1	5.1	-0.8
Total World	162,897	178,004	194,261		100.0	9.1	5.4

Australia's trade with the Americas



(a) Goods on recorded trade basis, services on balance of payments basis. (b) Includes confidential items.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database & ABS Catalogue No 5368.0.

TABLE 3: AUSTRALIA'S TOTAL TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES (a)
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005	% share		% growth	
				Americas total	World total	2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	45,264	45,491	46,342	89.3	12.5	1.9	-2.2
of which:							
Canada	4,424	4,848	4,758	9.2	1.3	-1.8	2.1
United States	40,840	40,643	41,584	80.1	11.2	2.3	-2.7
Central America & Caribbean	1,835	1,973	2,524	4.9	0.7	27.9	8.5
of which:							
Mexico	1,082	1,163	1,735	3.3	0.5	49.2	12.3
Other	753	810	789	1.5	0.2	-2.6	2.9
Chile	324	323	423	0.8	0.1	31.3	6.4
Peru	155	147	154	0.3	0.0	4.6	3.9
Americas nes (b)	1,733	1,813	2,453	4.7	0.7	35.3	4.6
Total Americas	49,310	49,747	51,897	100.0	14.0	4.3	-1.5
Total World	304,757	331,551	370,287		100.0	11.7	4.1

Americas' share of Australia's trade

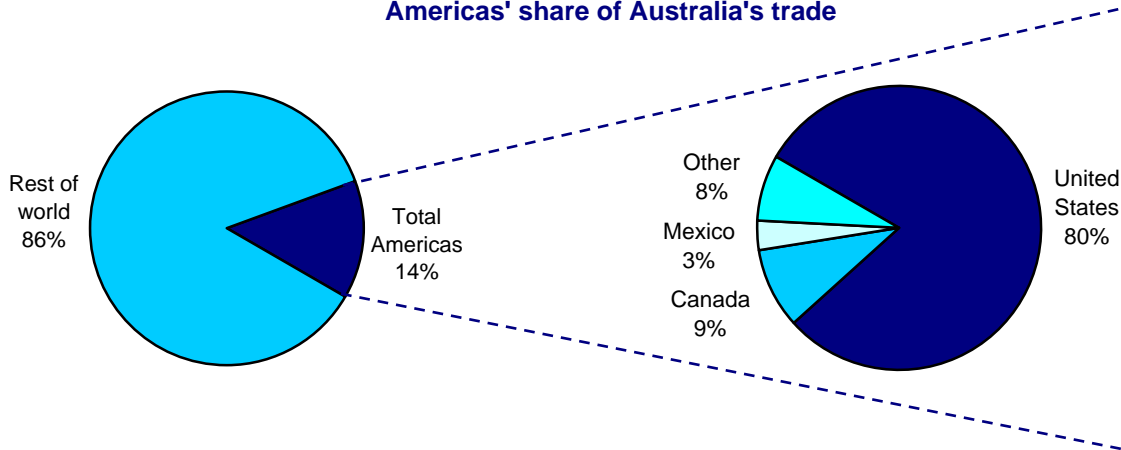


TABLE 4: AUSTRALIA'S BALANCE ON TRADE
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005
North America	-12,727	-12,956	-14,449
of which:			
Canada	-109	40	-248
United States	-12,618	-12,996	-14,201
Central America & Caribbean	-487	-590	-328
of which:			
Mexico	-127	-247	-6
Other	-360	-343	-322
Chile	-48	19	0
Peru	-35	5	1
Americas nes (b)	-32	9	179
Total Americas	-13,329	-13,513	-14,597
Total World	-21,037	-24,458	-18,235

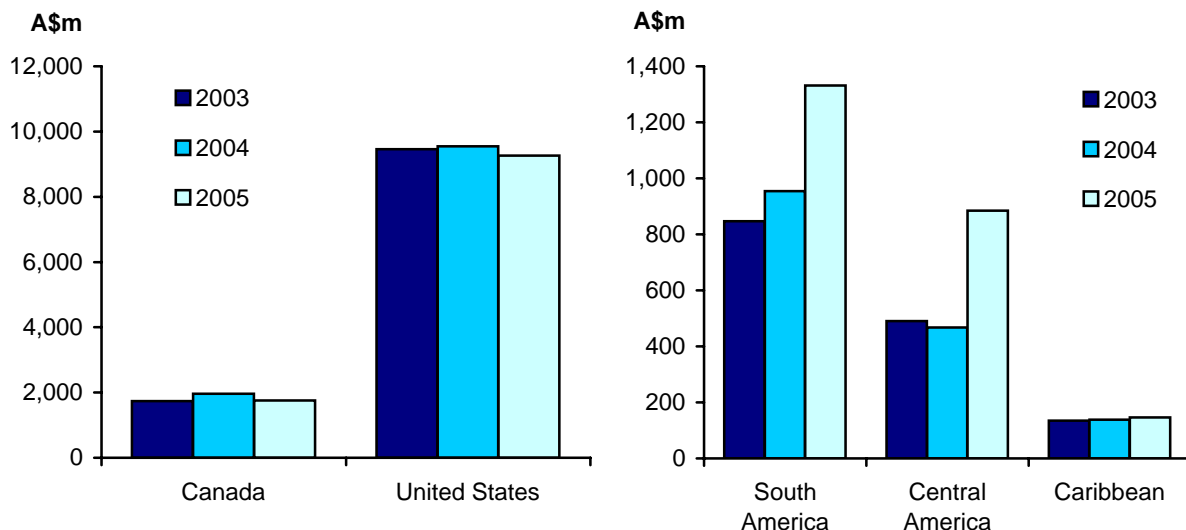
(a) Goods on recorded trade basis, services on balance of payments basis.

(b) Includes confidential items.

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**TABLE 5: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
TO THE AMERICAS
(A\$ million)**

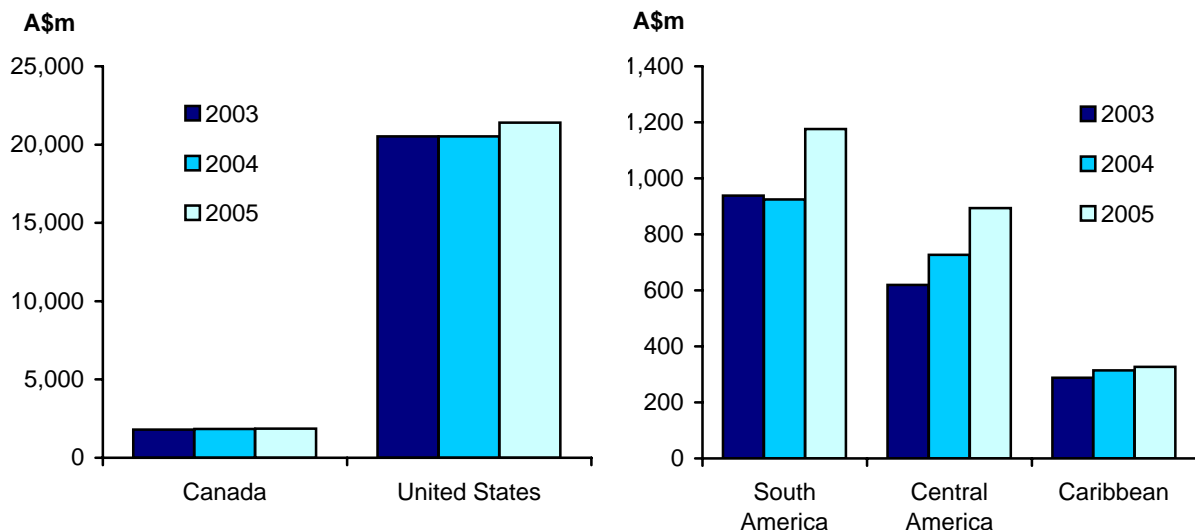
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	11,197	11,509	11,016	82.3	-4.3	-3.7
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	1,740	1,964	1,755	13.1	-10.6	3.3
United States	9,456	9,545	9,260	69.2	-3.0	-4.8
South America	847	954	1,332	10.0	39.6	6.7
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	87	80	155	1.2	93.8	6.9
Brazil	463	561	862	6.4	53.7	8.0
Chile	124	154	184	1.4	19.5	3.3
Colombia	80	35	19	0.1	-45.7	10.5
Ecuador	15	26	5	0.0	-80.8	5.2
Peru	55	70	69	0.5	-1.4	7.4
Uruguay	12	12	12	0.1	0.0	-6.9
Venezuela	6	13	20	0.1	53.8	1.5
Central America	490	468	885	6.6	89.1	12.7
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	3	6	7	0.1	16.7	0.9
Guatemala	10	9	16	0.1	77.8	4.3
Honduras	9	5	6	0.0	20.0	2.6
Mexico	452	427	830	6.2	94.4	14.3
Panama	6	11	15	0.1	36.4	6.8
Caribbean	135	138	146	1.1	5.8	-2.8
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	14	14	7	0.1	-50.0	8.3
Cayman Islands	1	28	1	0.0	-96.4	..
Jamaica	28	26	22	0.2	-15.4	-9.5
Puerto Rico	16	13	27	0.2	107.7	2.1
Trinidad and Tobago	38	24	13	0.1	-45.8	-16.6
Total Americas	12,668	13,069	13,379	100.0	2.4	-2.3
World	107,956	117,757	138,781		17.9	2.7



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 6: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
FROM THE AMERICAS
(A\$ million)**

	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	22,319	22,362	23,267	90.7	4.0	-1.6
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	1,790	1,837	1,863	7.3	1.4	0.4
United States	20,529	20,526	21,404	83.4	4.3	-1.8
South America	938	925	1,176	4.6	27.1	4.4
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	189	169	207	0.8	22.5	13.3
Brazil	484	547	722	2.8	32.0	1.9
Chile	143	102	136	0.5	33.3	10.5
Colombia	24	28	28	0.1	0.0	8.9
Ecuador	5	6	6	0.0	0.0	18.9
Peru	81	56	57	0.2	1.8	-1.9
Uruguay	6	11	11	0.0	0.0	13.5
Venezuela	2	2	2	0.0	0.0	6.5
Central America	620	727	894	3.5	23.0	10.8
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	20	30	28	0.1	-6.7	13.1
Guatemala	3	3	3	0.0	0.0	2.7
Honduras	5	6	10	0.0	66.7	30.3
Mexico	588	682	847	3.3	24.2	10.7
Panama	0	0	1	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	288	314	327	1.3	4.1	11.5
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	3	2	4	0.0	100.0	-10.8
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	1	2	1	0.0	-50.0	-8.2
Puerto Rico	261	288	286	1.1	-0.7	12.4
Trinidad and Tobago	4	3	4	0.0	33.3	23.7
Total Americas	24,166	24,328	25,664	100.0	5.5	-1.0
World	129,983	141,246	155,808		10.3	5.9



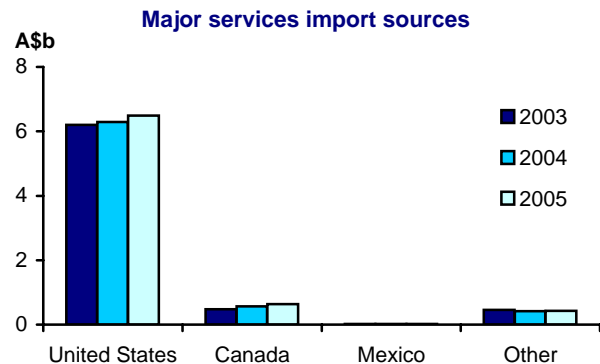
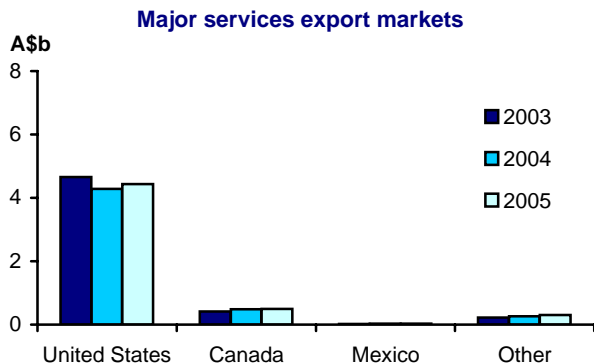
Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

TABLE 7: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES EXPORTS TO THE AMERICAS
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	5,072	4,759	4,931	93.5	3.6	-3.9
of which:						
Canada	417	480	500	9.5	4.2	2.9
United States	4,655	4,279	4,431	84.1	3.6	-4.5
Central America & Caribbean	49	85	67	1.3	-21.2	17.1
of which:						
Mexico	25	31	35	0.7	12.9	13.5
Other	24	54	32	0.6	-40.7	21.7
Chile	14	17	28	0.5	64.7	17.9
Peru	5	6	9	0.2	50.0	2.9
Americas nes	182	181	236	4.5	30.4	-2.1
Total Americas	5,322	5,048	5,271	100.0	4.4	-3.6
World	33,904	35,789	37,245		4.1	5.3

TABLE 8: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES IMPORTS FROM THE AMERICAS
(A\$ million)

Major country	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	6,676	6,861	7,129	94.0	3.9	-0.3
of which:						
Canada	476	567	640	8.4	12.9	3.8
United States	6,200	6,294	6,489	85.6	3.1	-0.7
Central America & Caribbean	252	241	205	2.7	-14.9	-3.5
of which:						
Mexico	16	23	24	0.3	4.3	6.5
Other	236	218	181	2.4	-17.0	-4.4
Chile	43	50	76	1.0	52.0	5.4
Peru	14	15	19	0.3	26.7	17.4
Americas nes	168	135	154	2.0	14.1	2.5
Total Americas	7,153	7,302	7,583	100.0	3.8	-0.3
World	32,831	36,758	38,453		4.6	3.5



Source: ABS Catalogue No 5368.0.

**TABLE 9: AUSTRALIA'S TRADE WITH THE AMERICAS
BY LEVEL OF PROCESSING (a)
(A\$ million)**

	2003	2004	2005	% share	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Exports						
Total primary products	5,299	5,326	5,528	29.6	3.8	0.1
Unprocessed food	268	306	279	1.5	-8.8	-5.0
Processed food	3,253	3,300	3,264	17.5	-1.1	2.6
Fuels	1,327	1,163	1,511	8.1	29.9	-4.6
Minerals	350	448	365	2.0	-18.5	11.0
Other primary	102	109	109	0.6	0.0	-12.1
Total manufactures	4,950	4,967	5,110	27.4	2.9	-4.5
STM	853	892	845	4.5	-5.3	-7.4
ETM	4,097	4,075	4,264	22.9	4.6	-3.9
Other	2,419	2,776	2,741	14.7	-1.3	-2.2
Services	5,322	5,048	5,271	28.3	4.4	-3.6
Transportation (b)	803	669	841	4.5	25.7	-4.1
Travel	1,836	1,873	1,837	9.8	-1.9	-1.0
Other (b)	2,683	2,506	2,593	13.9	3.5	-5.0
Total exports	17,990	18,117	18,650	100.0	2.9	-2.7
Imports						
Total primary products	1,966	1,843	2,057	6.2	11.6	-0.9
Unprocessed food	382	311	331	1.0	6.4	8.9
Processed food	808	791	917	2.8	15.9	-2.5
Fuels	215	240	228	0.7	-5.0	-2.5
Minerals	192	158	225	0.7	42.4	3.4
Other primary	368	344	354	1.1	2.9	-4.0
Total manufactures	21,905	22,020	23,167	69.7	5.2	-0.7
STM	2,067	2,146	2,576	7.7	20.0	-2.1
ETM	19,837	19,874	20,591	61.9	3.6	-0.6
Other	296	466	440	1.3	-5.6	-10.5
Services	7,153	7,302	7,583	22.8	3.8	-0.3
Transportation (b)	764	608	585	1.8	-3.8	-16.8
Travel	1,945	2,394	2,636	7.9	10.1	3.0
Other (b)	4,444	4,300	4,362	13.1	1.4	1.8
Total imports	31,320	31,631	33,247	100.0	5.1	-0.8

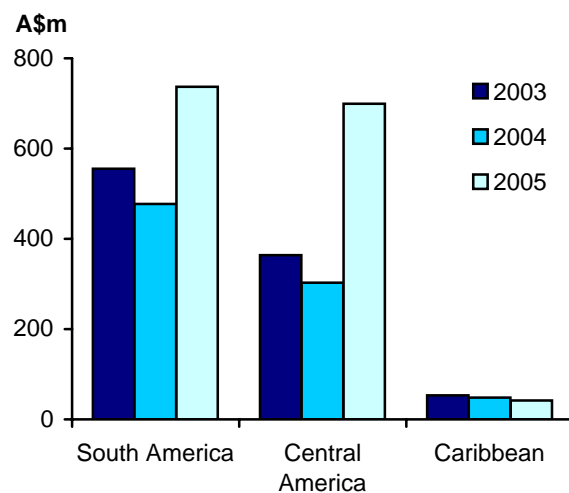
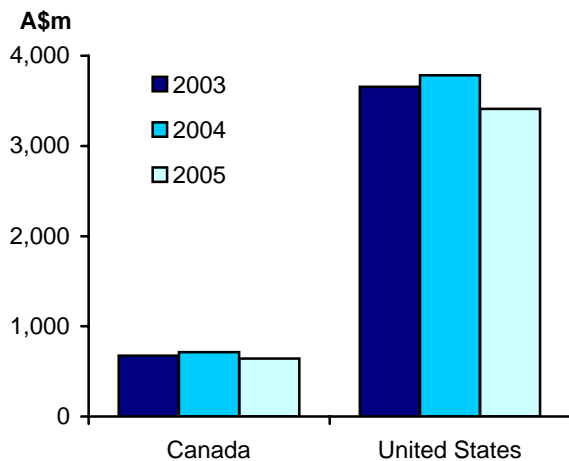
(a) Goods on recorded trade basis, services on balance of payments basis.

(b) See explanatory notes for details on the impact of confidentiality on these series.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database & ABS Catalogue No 5368.0.

**TABLE 10: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
PRIMARY PRODUCTS
(A\$ million)**

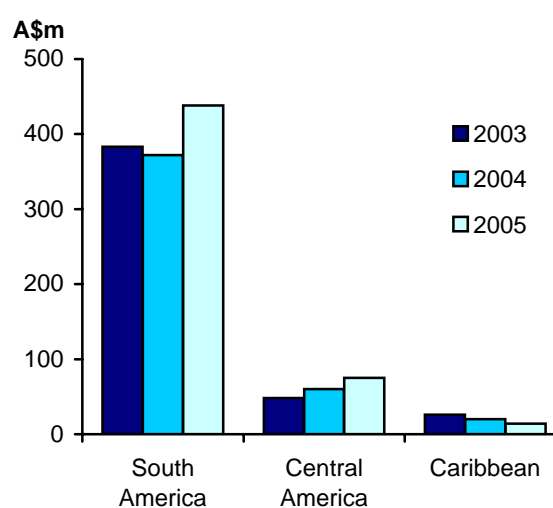
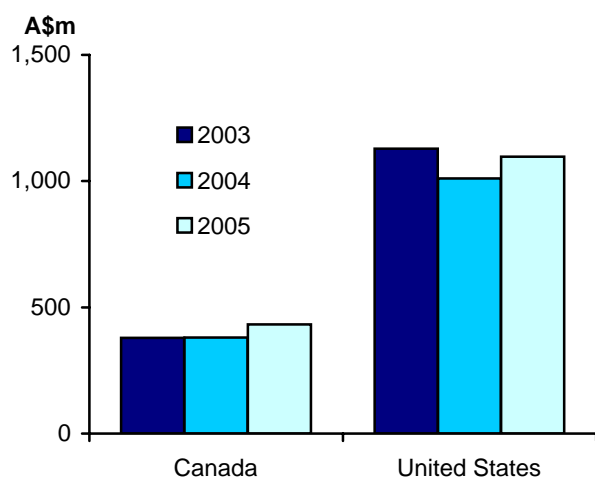
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	4,326	4,499	4,051	73.3	-10.0	-1.8
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	673	713	641	11.6	-10.1	9.2
United States	3,654	3,785	3,410	61.7	-9.9	-3.4
South America	555	477	737	13.3	54.5	5.4
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	63	64	121	2.2	89.1	19.9
Brazil	364	258	476	8.6	84.5	2.5
Chile	70	83	101	1.8	21.7	6.7
Colombia	23	22	1	0.0	-95.5	-14.9
Ecuador	2	11	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	23	28	31	0.6	10.7	7.1
Uruguay	8	9	2	0.0	-77.8	-14.3
Venezuela	1	0	2	0.0	..	..
Central America	364	303	699	12.6	130.7	15.0
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	0	1	1	0.0	0.0	..
Guatemala	7	8	13	0.2	62.5	17.0
Honduras	1	0	1	0.0	..	..
Mexico	351	287	674	12.2	134.8	15.9
Panama	1	1	1	0.0	0.0	..
Caribbean	53	48	42	0.8	-12.5	-11.8
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	4	5	4	0.1	-20.0	-1.6
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	17	20	20	0.4	0.0	0.3
Puerto Rico	10	4	3	0.1	-25.0	-18.6
Trinidad and Tobago	10	14	8	0.1	-42.9	-14.8
Total Americas	5,299	5,326	5,528	100.0	3.8	0.1
Total World	60,583	70,410	87,296		24.0	3.6



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 11: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
PRIMARY PRODUCTS
(A\$ million)**

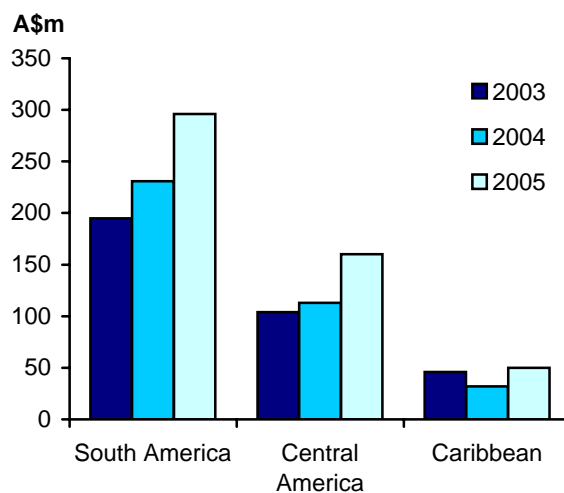
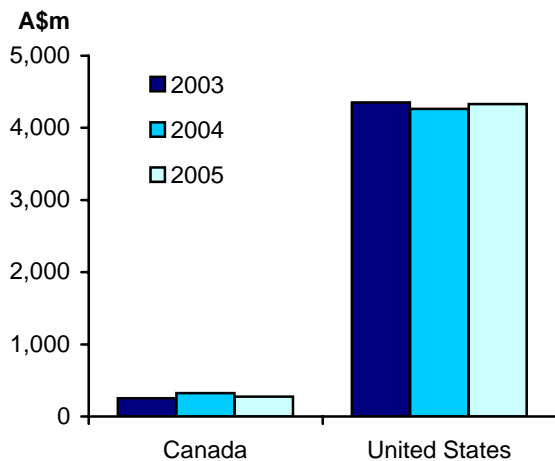
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	1,508	1,391	1,529	74.3	9.9	-0.2
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	379	381	432	21.0	13.4	2.3
United States	1,129	1,010	1,097	53.3	8.6	-1.0
South America	383	372	438	21.3	17.7	-4.2
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	94	49	56	2.7	14.3	15.5
Brazil	139	175	221	10.7	26.3	-10.9
Chile	67	74	83	4.0	12.2	7.9
Colombia	7	7	11	0.5	57.1	0.2
Ecuador	4	6	6	0.3	0.0	25.2
Peru	67	50	47	2.3	-6.0	-3.9
Uruguay	2	9	10	0.5	11.1	..
Venezuela	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Central America	48	60	75	3.6	25.0	11.0
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	2	3	3	0.1	0.0	-7.0
Guatemala	2	3	3	0.1	0.0	9.9
Honduras	3	3	7	0.3	133.3	36.7
Mexico	38	47	59	2.9	25.5	11.7
Panama	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	26	20	14	0.7	-30.0	-3.8
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	1	2	1	0.0	-50.0	6.1
Puerto Rico	11	10	0	0.0	..	..
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Total Americas	1,966	1,843	2,057	100.0	11.6	-0.9
Total World	18,455	21,357	26,394		23.6	8.9



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 12: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

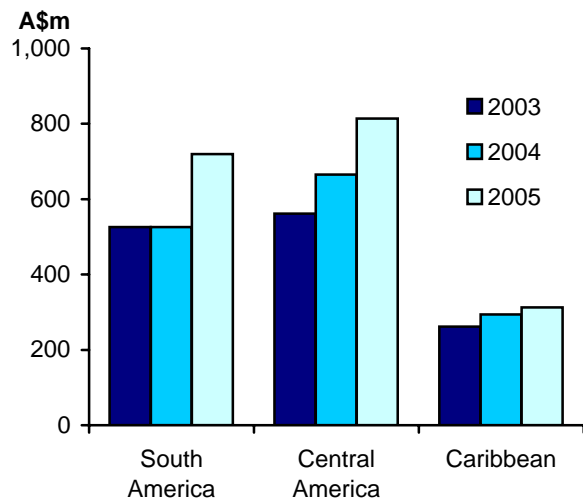
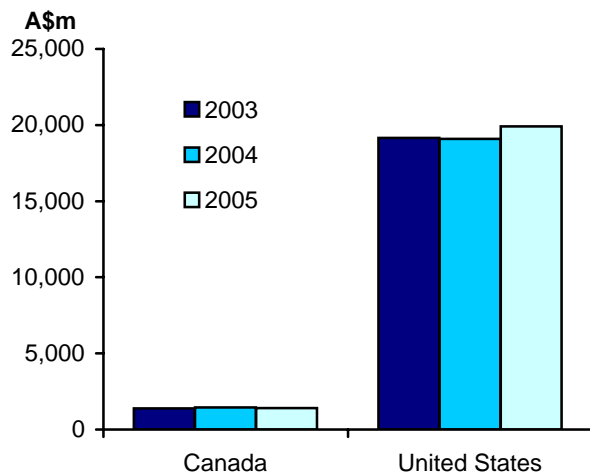
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	4,605	4,591	4,603	90.1	0.3	-4.7
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	254	326	273	5.3	-16.3	-0.4
United States	4,351	4,264	4,330	84.7	1.5	-5.0
South America	195	231	296	5.8	28.1	-5.3
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	10	15	33	0.6	120.0	-7.9
Brazil	62	102	117	2.3	14.7	-8.6
Chile	51	60	77	1.5	28.3	-0.7
Colombia	25	12	18	0.4	50.0	16.5
Ecuador	12	11	5	0.1	-54.5	12.2
Peru	24	15	18	0.4	20.0	-6.1
Uruguay	3	1	5	0.1	400.0	-12.5
Venezuela	5	12	17	0.3	41.7	4.6
Central America	104	113	160	3.1	41.6	7.7
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	2	5	5	0.1	0.0	-4.0
Guatemala	2	1	3	0.1	200.0	-17.0
Honduras	5	2	3	0.1	50.0	-3.6
Mexico	84	93	134	2.6	44.1	10.6
Panama	5	8	12	0.2	50.0	19.1
Caribbean	46	32	50	1.0	56.3	-7.4
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	10	5	3	0.1	-40.0	20.2
Cayman Islands	0	0	1	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	7	4	2	0.0	-50.0	-33.1
Puerto Rico	6	9	24	0.5	166.7	24.2
Trinidad and Tobago	8	4	3	0.1	-25.0	-24.7
Total Americas	4,950	4,967	5,110	100.0	2.9	-4.5
Total World	33,510	34,028	36,980		8.7	-0.7



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 13: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

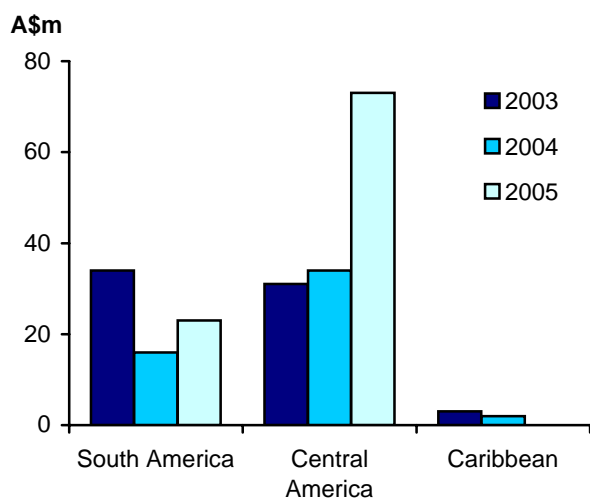
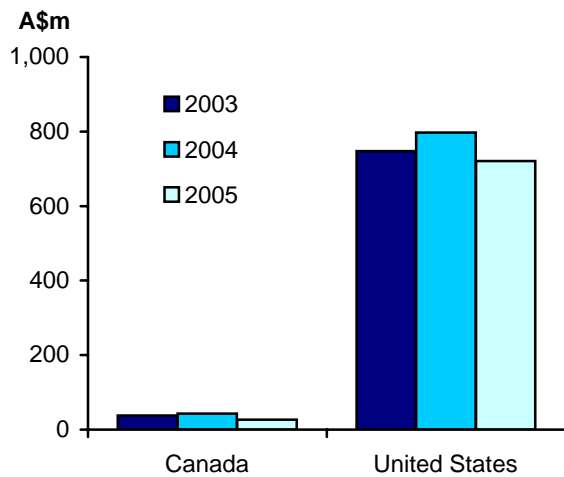
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	20,554	20,536	21,321	92.0	3.8	-1.5
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	1,398	1,443	1,419	6.1	-1.7	0.5
United States	19,157	19,093	19,902	85.9	4.2	-1.6
South America	526	526	720	3.1	36.9	13.3
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	93	120	148	0.6	23.3	13.9
Brazil	328	359	495	2.1	37.9	13.9
Chile	76	28	53	0.2	89.3	14.9
Colombia	7	7	7	0.0	0.0	-5.6
Ecuador	1	0	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	13	6	10	0.0	66.7	19.8
Uruguay	4	2	1	0.0	-50.0	-26.5
Venezuela	2	2	2	0.0	0.0	13.0
Central America	562	665	814	3.5	22.4	10.7
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	18	26	25	0.1	-3.8	17.0
Guatemala	1	0	1	0.0	..	..
Honduras	2	4	3	0.0	-25.0	34.4
Mexico	540	633	782	3.4	23.5	10.6
Panama	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	262	294	313	1.4	6.5	13.1
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	3	2	4	0.0	100.0	0.6
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	250	278	285	1.2	2.5	12.8
Trinidad and Tobago	4	3	4	0.0	33.3	23.7
Total Americas	21,905	22,020	23,167	100.0	5.2	-0.7
Total World	108,258	117,182	126,447		7.9	5.3



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 14: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
SIMPLY TRANSFORMED MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

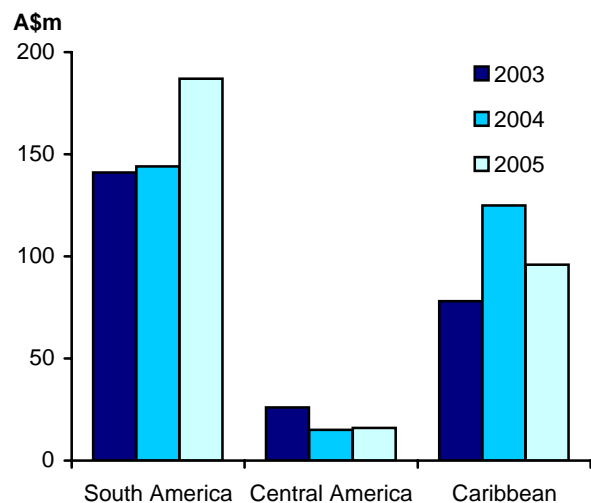
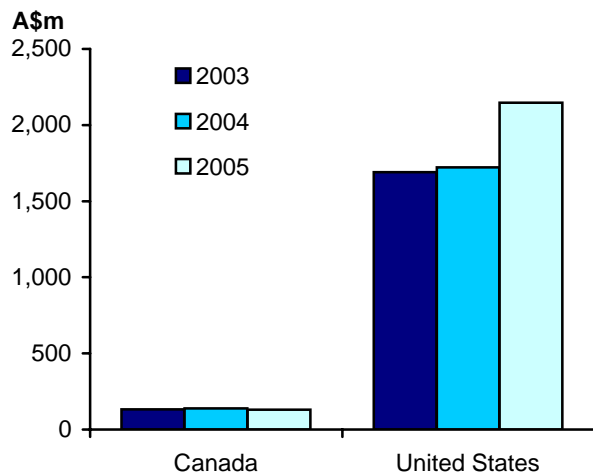
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	785	840	748	88.5	-11.0	-8.0
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	38	43	27	3.2	-37.2	-6.0
United States	747	797	721	85.3	-9.5	-8.0
South America	34	16	23	2.7	43.8	-14.7
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	1	1	2	0.2	100.0	..
Brazil	11	7	10	1.2	42.9	-13.0
Chile	6	3	5	0.6	66.7	-13.5
Colombia	1	1	2	0.2	100.0	-5.6
Ecuador	0	0	1	0.1	..	..
Peru	14	2	2	0.2	0.0	-14.1
Uruguay	0	0	1	0.1	..	..
Venezuela	0	0	1	0.1	..	..
Central America	31	34	73	8.6	114.7	9.9
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	0	0	1	0.1	..	..
Guatemala	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Honduras	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Mexico	30	34	71	8.4	108.8	11.5
Panama	0	1	1	0.1	0.0	..
Caribbean	3	2	0	0.0	..	..
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	1	1	0	0.0	..	..
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Total Americas	853	892	845	100.0	-5.3	-7.4
Total World	9,968	10,137	10,963		8.1	-3.2



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 15: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
SIMPLY TRANSFORMED MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

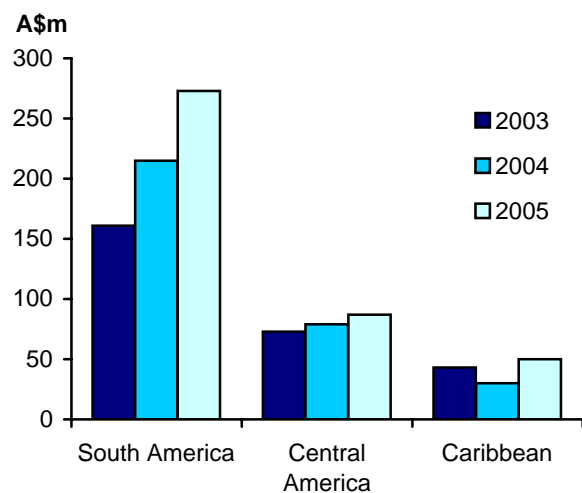
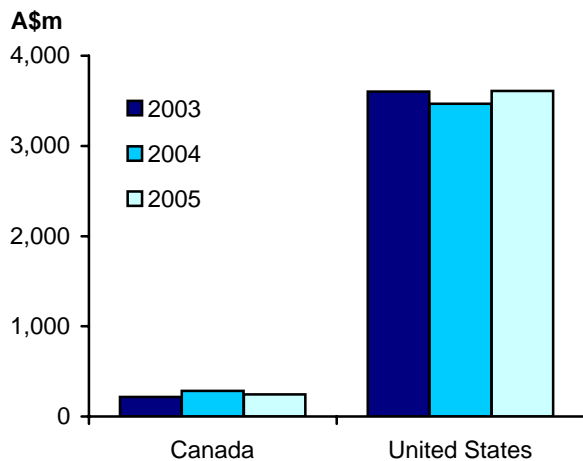
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	1,823	1,862	2,276	88.4	22.2	-2.9
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	133	139	130	5.0	-6.5	-4.0
United States	1,690	1,723	2,146	83.3	24.6	-2.8
South America	141	144	187	7.3	29.9	3.5
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	35	39	35	1.4	-10.3	-11.1
Brazil	90	89	120	4.7	34.8	11.5
Chile	7	7	21	0.8	200.0	18.2
Colombia	2	3	2	0.1	-33.3	-17.0
Ecuador	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	2	4	8	0.3	100.0	42.8
Uruguay	3	1	1	0.0	0.0	-27.0
Venezuela	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Central America	26	15	16	0.6	6.7	-26.3
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Guatemala	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Honduras	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Mexico	25	15	16	0.6	6.7	-25.6
Panama	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	78	125	96	3.7	-23.2	92.9
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	77	124	96	3.7	-22.6	..
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Total Americas	2,067	2,146	2,576	100.0	20.0	-2.1
Total World	11,305	11,846	13,021		9.9	2.3



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 16: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
ELABORATELY TRANSFORMED MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

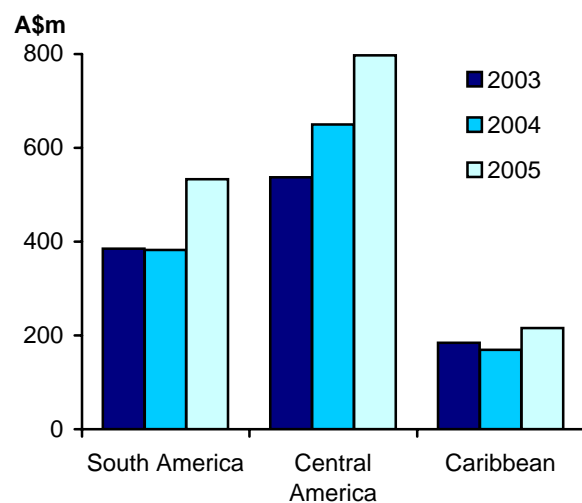
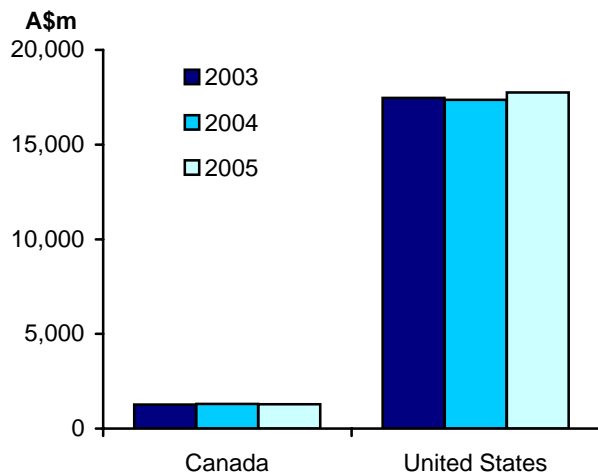
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	3,820	3,750	3,855	90.4	2.8	-4.0
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	217	283	246	5.8	-13.1	0.4
United States	3,604	3,467	3,609	84.6	4.1	-4.2
South America	161	215	273	6.4	27.0	-4.3
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	10	14	32	0.8	128.6	-4.2
Brazil	51	95	107	2.5	12.6	-8.1
Chile	45	57	72	1.7	26.3	0.7
Colombia	24	11	15	0.4	36.4	20.9
Ecuador	12	11	4	0.1	-63.6	13.3
Peru	10	13	16	0.4	23.1	-4.6
Uruguay	2	1	4	0.1	300.0	-13.5
Venezuela	5	11	16	0.4	45.5	2.9
Central America	73	79	87	2.0	10.1	5.8
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	2	4	4	0.1	0.0	-7.5
Guatemala	2	1	3	0.1	200.0	-14.9
Honduras	5	2	3	0.1	50.0	-3.6
Mexico	54	59	64	1.5	8.5	9.6
Panama	5	8	11	0.3	37.5	19.6
Caribbean	43	30	50	1.2	66.7	-5.4
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	10	5	3	0.1	-40.0	20.2
Cayman Islands	0	0	1	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	7	4	2	0.0	-50.0	-28.1
Puerto Rico	5	7	24	0.6	242.9	28.7
Trinidad and Tobago	8	4	3	0.1	-25.0	-23.7
Total Americas	4,097	4,075	4,264	100.0	4.6	-3.9
Total World	23,543	23,891	26,017		8.9	0.4



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 17: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
ELABORATELY TRANSFORMED MANUFACTURES
(A\$ million)**

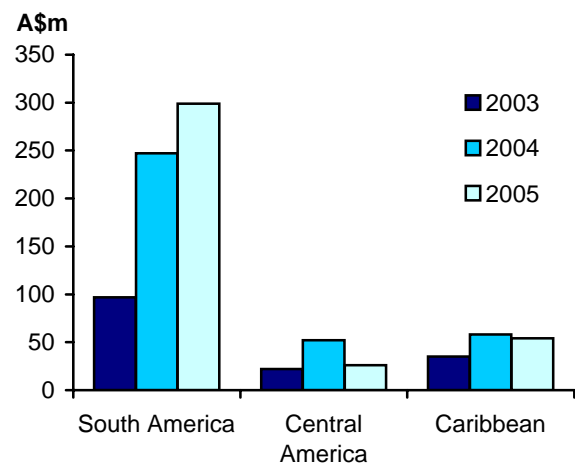
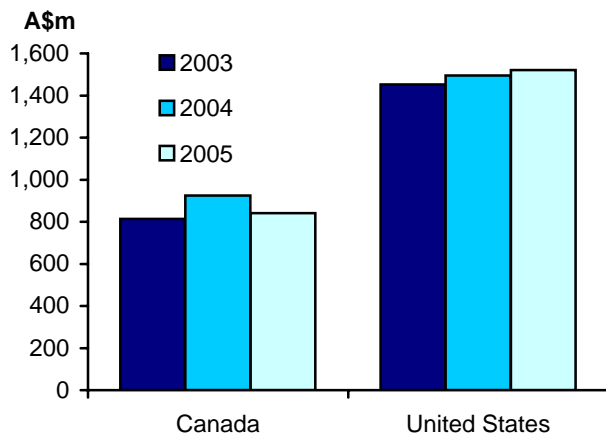
	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	18,731	18,673	19,045	92.5	2.0	-1.3
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	1,264	1,304	1,289	6.3	-1.2	1.1
United States	17,467	17,370	17,756	86.2	2.2	-1.5
South America	385	382	533	2.6	39.5	18.3
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	58	81	113	0.5	39.5	47.2
Brazil	238	270	375	1.8	38.9	14.7
Chile	70	21	32	0.2	52.4	12.0
Colombia	4	4	6	0.0	50.0	6.0
Ecuador	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	11	2	2	0.0	0.0	-6.5
Uruguay	1	1	1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Venezuela	2	2	2	0.0	0.0	15.8
Central America	537	650	797	3.9	22.6	13.6
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	17	26	25	0.1	-3.8	16.8
Guatemala	0	0	1	0.0	..	..
Honduras	2	4	3	0.0	-25.0	34.4
Mexico	515	618	766	3.7	23.9	13.4
Panama	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	184	169	216	1.0	27.8	108.3
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	3	2	4	0.0	100.0	..
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	172	154	189	0.9	22.7	105.8
Trinidad and Tobago	4	3	4	0.0	33.3	..
Total Americas	19,837	19,874	20,591	100.0	3.6	-0.6
Total World	96,954	105,336	113,426		7.7	5.6



Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 18: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE EXPORTS
OTHER GOODS (a)
(A\$ million)**

	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	2,265	2,419	2,362	86.2	-2.4	-4.6
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	813	924	841	30.7	-9.0	1.0
United States	1,452	1,495	1,521	55.5	1.7	-7.1
South America	97	247	299	10.9	21.1	47.3
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	14	0	1	0.0	..	..
Brazil	37	200	268	9.8	34.0	82.2
Chile	3	11	6	0.2	-45.5	19.0
Colombia	31	0	0	0.0	..	..
Ecuador	2	4	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	7	27	19	0.7	-29.6	42.1
Uruguay	1	2	4	0.1	100.0	-8.2
Venezuela	0	1	0	0.0	..	..
Central America	22	52	26	0.9	-50.0	3.1
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Guatemala	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Honduras	3	2	2	0.1	0.0	..
Mexico	18	47	21	0.8	-55.3	3.6
Panama	0	2	2	0.1	0.0	..
Caribbean	35	58	54	2.0	-6.9	32.5
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	0	5	0	0.0	..	..
Cayman Islands	0	28	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	3	2	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	0	1	0	0.0	..	..
Trinidad and Tobago	20	6	3	0.1	-50.0	-1.7
Total Americas	2,419	2,776	2,741	100.0	-1.3	-2.2
Total World	13,862	13,319	14,506		8.9	7.5

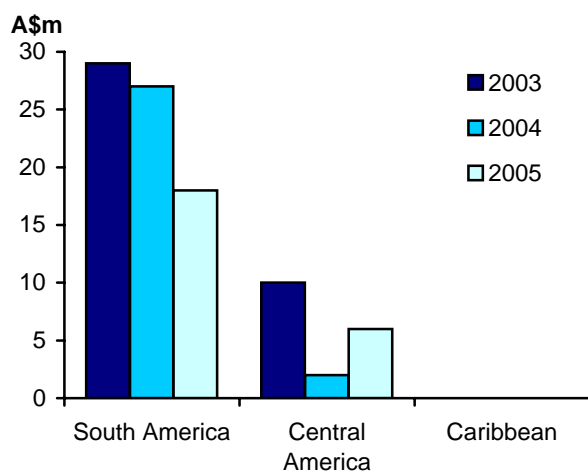
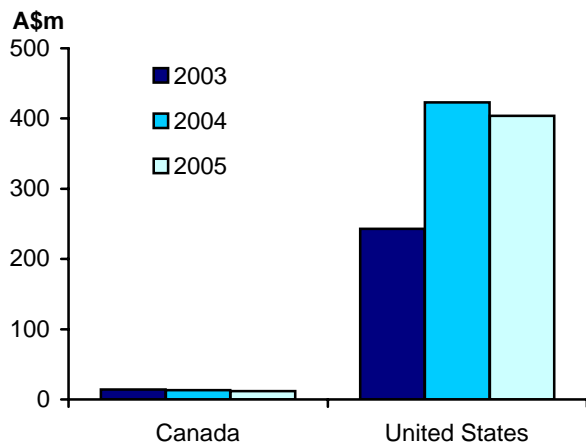


(a) Mainly confidential items and gold.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

**TABLE 19: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE IMPORTS
OTHER GOODS (a)
(A\$ million)**

	2003	2004	2005	% share of Americas total	% growth	
					2004 to 2005	5 year trend
North America	256	436	417	94.8	-4.4	-11.3
of which major trading partners:						
Canada	14	13	12	2.7	-7.7	-27.4
United States	243	423	404	91.8	-4.5	-10.3
South America	29	27	18	4.1	-33.3	7.6
of which major trading partners:						
Argentina	2	0	2	0.5	..	..
Brazil	16	13	6	1.4	-53.8	-0.6
Chile	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Colombia	10	14	9	2.0	-35.7	..
Ecuador	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Peru	1	0	0	0.0	..	..
Uruguay	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Venezuela	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Central America	10	2	6	1.4	200.0	..
of which major trading partners:						
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Guatemala	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Honduras	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Mexico	10	2	6	1.4	200.0	..
Panama	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Caribbean	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
of which major trading partners:						
Bahamas	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Jamaica	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0.0	..	..
Total Americas	296	466	440	100.0	-5.6	-10.5
Total World	3,270	2,707	2,967		9.6	8.4



(a) Mainly confidential items.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

TABLE 20: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH THE AMERICAS
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	011	Bovine meat f.c.f.	1,504	1,464	1,256	-14.2	-4.6
2	321	Coal	671	528	1,187	124.8	15.2
3	112	Alcoholic beverages	1,031	1,124	1,168	3.9	18.0
4	012	Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.	483	451	541	20.0	6.9
5	781	Passenger vehicles	270	504	379	-24.8	-5.0
6	542	Medicaments	300	297	326	9.8	0.4
7	792	Aircraft & parts	348	261	293	12.3	-4.0
8	872	Medical instruments	186	190	291	53.2	16.2
9	333	Crude petroleum	628	555	285	-48.6	-22.2
10	284	Nickel ores	264	327	228	-30.3	41.1
11	784	Vehicle parts	312	274	201	-26.6	-9.0
12	894	Toys, games, sporting	106	111	174	56.8	36.7
13	684	Aluminium	137	179	168	-6.1	-0.0
14	874	Measuring instruments	144	129	162	25.6	-8.8
15	673	Uncoated flat steel	104	157	159	1.3	21.5
16	592	Starches & inulin	161	124	113	-8.9	-3.2
17	713	Combustion engines	86	119	111	-6.7	8.3
18	728	Specialised machinery	114	103	104	1.0	-6.4
19	683	Nickel	11	89	99	11.2	16.4
20	793	Ships & boats	130	69	98	42.0	-1.0
Total merchandise exports			12,668	13,069	13,379	2.4	-2.3
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	792	Aircraft & parts	3,347	2,006	1,641	-18.2	-7.3
2	542	Medicaments	801	950	1,001	5.4	6.3
3	764	Telecom. equipment	801	943	967	2.5	-12.4
4	874	Measuring instruments	772	896	886	-1.1	0.4
5	713	Combustion engines	912	919	786	-14.5	-0.7
6	723	Civil eng. equip.	502	646	751	16.3	12.8
7	752	Computers	717	672	724	7.7	-7.4
8	515	Organo-inorganic comp.	242	356	700	96.6	-1.8
9	782	Goods vehicles	390	662	677	2.3	24.1
10	784	Vehicle parts	625	654	658	0.6	0.6
11	872	Medical instruments	478	549	608	10.7	6.1
12	781	Passenger vehicles	517	479	500	4.4	6.1
13	721	Agric. machinery	324	480	439	-8.5	5.2
14	562	Fertilizers	358	394	413	4.8	0.1
15	743	Pumps for gas	308	350	402	14.9	2.9
16	899	Miscellaneous manuf. articles	278	332	384	15.7	8.9
17	541	Pharm. products	288	281	379	34.9	8.0
18	778	Other elec. mach.	380	353	364	3.1	-2.1
19	759	Computer parts	447	383	336	-12.3	-16.6
20	744	Mechanical handling equip.	191	227	333	46.7	9.5
Total merchandise imports			24,166	24,328	25,664	5.5	-1.0

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH THE AMERICAS

■ Exports

■ Imports

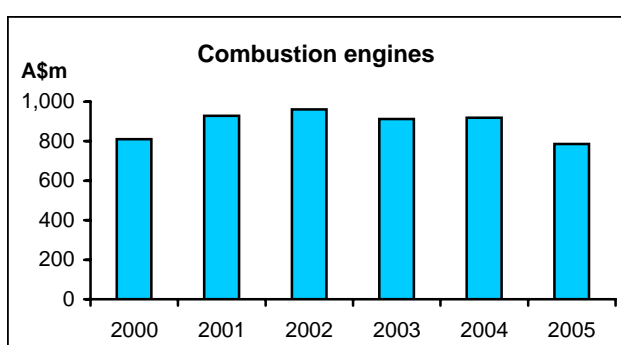
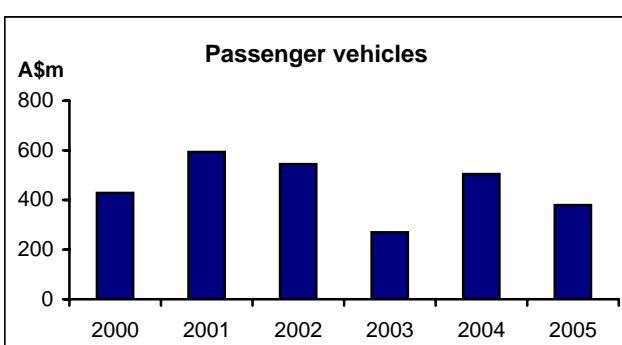
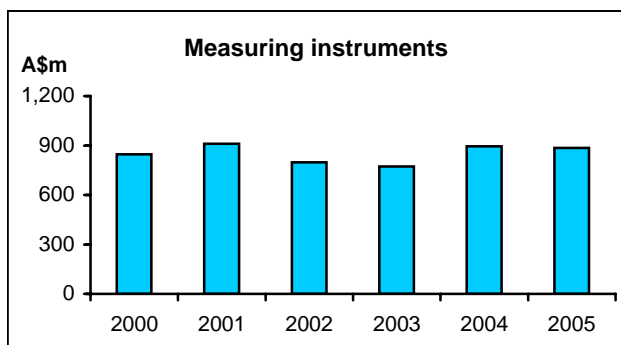
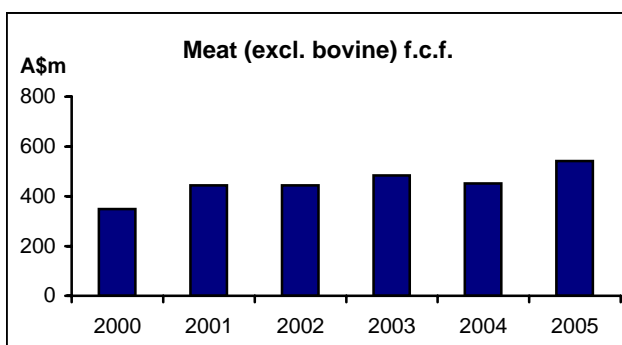
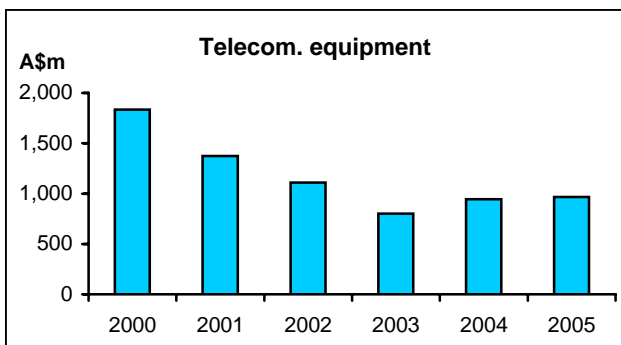
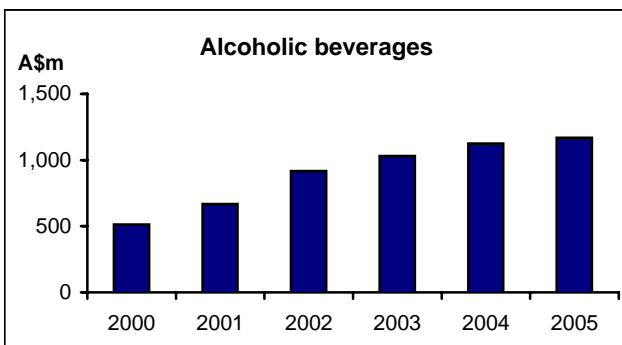
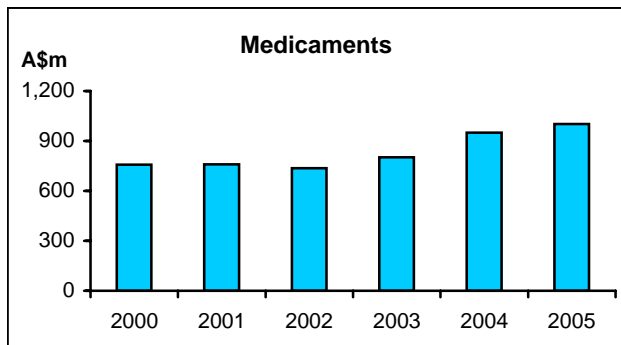
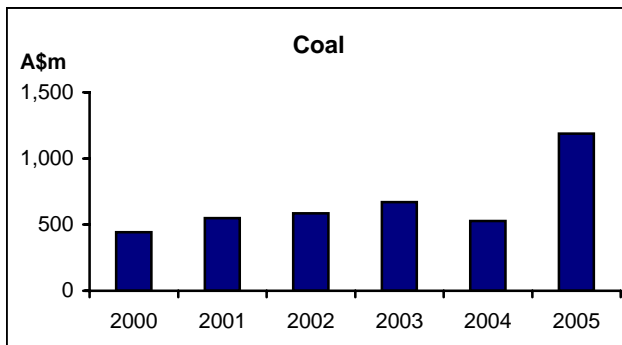
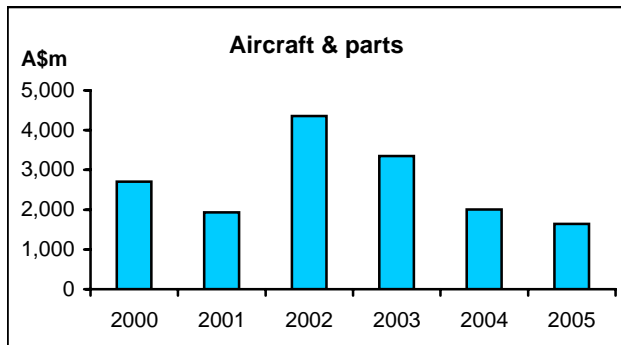
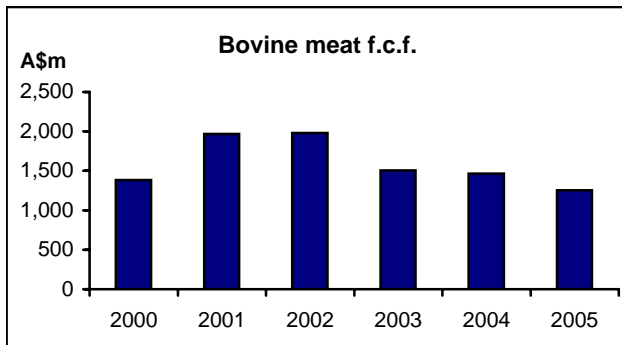


TABLE 21: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH BRAZIL
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	321	Coal	307	218	456	109.2	2.7
2	683	Nickel	3	34	32	-5.9	8.7
3	542	Medicaments	9	13	14	7.7	3.5
4	781	Passenger vehicles	11	14	10	-28.6	..
5	874	Measuring instruments	3	3	7	133.3	-15.1
6	784	Vehicle parts	1	4	7	75.0	13.4
7	291	Crude animal materials	3	4	5	25.0	10.3
8	022	Milk & cream	0	0	5	..	..
9	772	Elec. circuits equip.	1	1	5	400.0	-7.4
10	591	Insecticides, herbicides	1	0	3	..	..
11	211	Hides & skins	0	3	3	0.0	..
12	778	Other elec. mach.	1	0	3	..	..
13	728	Specialised machinery	4	4	3	-25.0	-10.9
14	541	Pharm. products	2	2	2	0.0	-9.4
15	292	Crude veg. materials	1	1	2	100.0	..
16	723	Civil eng. equip.	2	2	2	0.0	19.5
17	743	Pumps for gas	0	1	2	100.0	..
18	522	Inorganic chem. elem.	1	1	1	0.0	-9.4
19	731	Lathes	1	1	1	0.0	..
20	721	Agric. machinery	2	4	1	-75.0	-12.9
Total merchandise exports			463	561	862	53.7	8.0
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	782	Goods vehicles	63	59	63	6.8	..
2	081	Animal feed	1	37	62	67.6	..
3	251	Pulp & waste paper	32	34	44	29.4	25.3
4	671	Pig iron	2	2	43	..	23.8
5	723	Civil eng. equip.	3	6	37	516.7	66.9
6	059	Fruit juices	41	50	37	-26.0	1.5
7	764	Telecom. equipment	3	4	29	625.0	..
8	784	Vehicle parts	20	20	25	25.0	23.7
9	851	Footwear	19	17	23	35.3	-0.6
10	598	Misc. chemical products	10	13	21	61.5	..
11	071	Coffee & substitutes	13	12	21	75.0	-5.4
12	725	Paper & pulp mill mach.	1	21	21	0.0	..
13	716	Rotating electric plant	10	11	19	72.7	21.8
14	281	Iron ore	10	9	19	111.1	16.1
15	625	Rubber tyres	11	11	16	45.5	12.2
16	121	Unprocessed tobacco	26	13	14	7.7	-1.3
17	785	Motorcycles	7	9	13	44.4	..
18	713	Combustion engines	6	8	12	50.0	4.3
19	662	Clay constr. materials	12	11	10	-9.1	6.4
20	611	Leather	11	12	9	-25.0	16.8
Total merchandise imports			484	547	722	32.0	1.9

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH BRAZIL

■ Exports

■ Imports

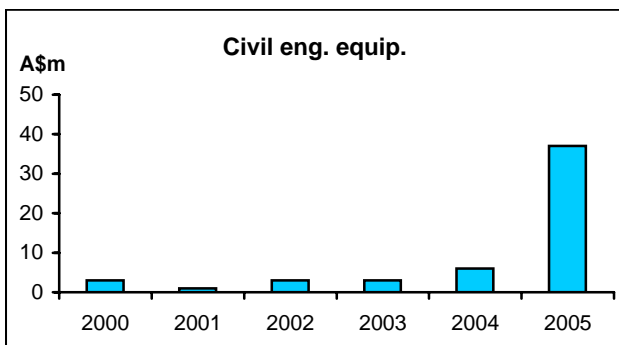
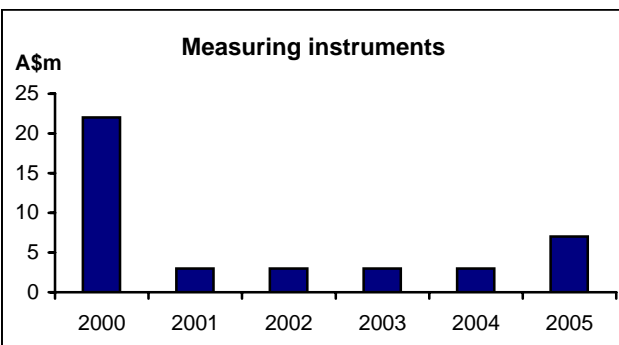
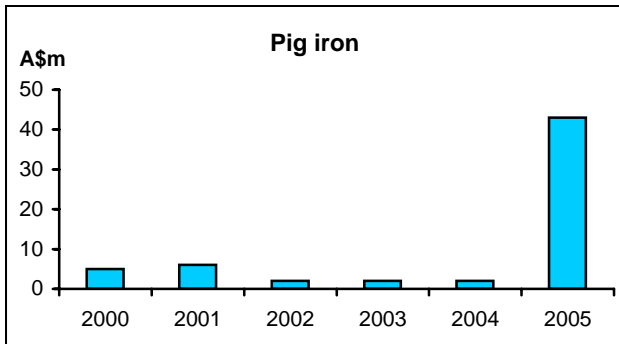
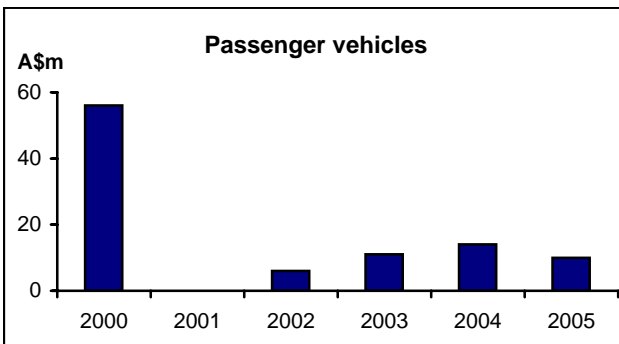
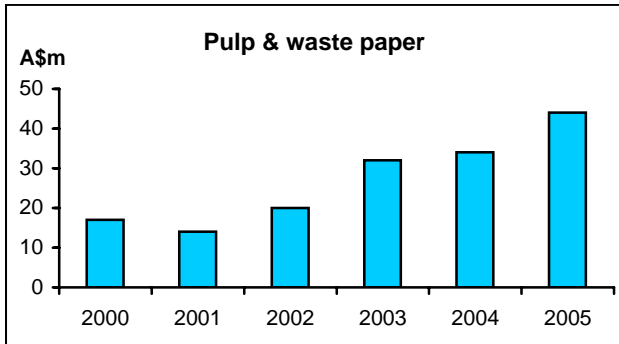
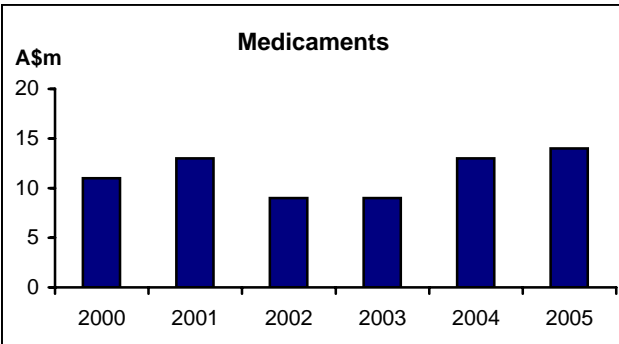
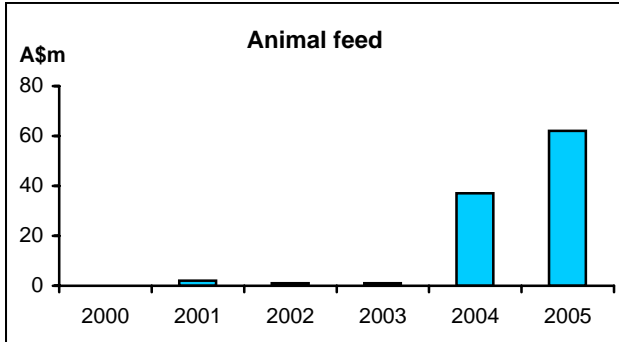
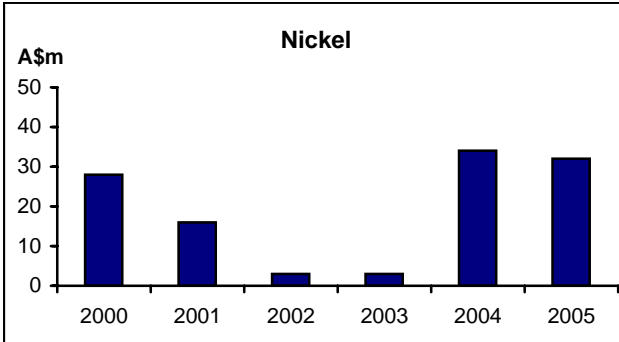
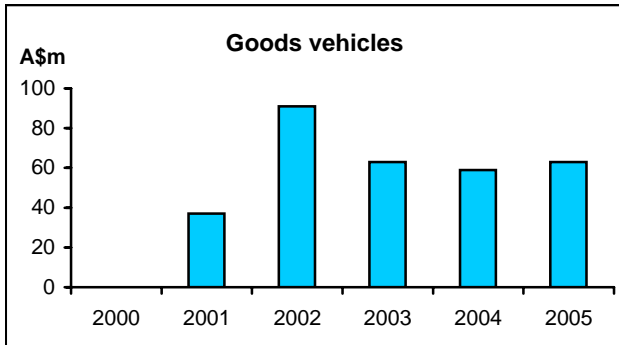
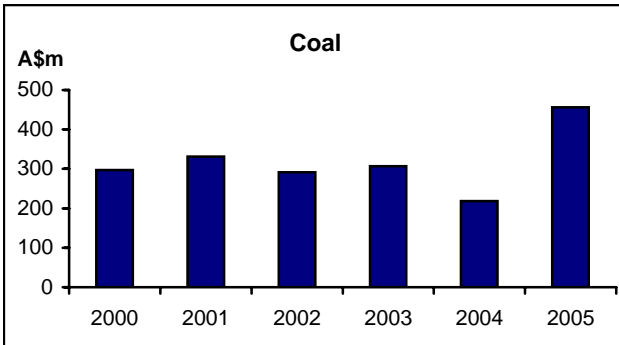


TABLE 22: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH CANADA
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	112	Alcoholic beverages	188	224	255	13.8	24.3
2	284	Nickel ores	260	319	220	-31.0	40.7
3	542	Medicaments	36	79	62	-21.5	20.0
4	012	Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.	29	32	45	40.6	8.5
5	011	Bovine meat f.c.f.	115	40	32	-20.0	-31.7
6	287	Other ores	10	30	17	-43.3	..
7	689	Other non-ferr. metals	10	30	14	-53.3	15.0
8	278	Crude minerals, nes	7	4	12	200.0	39.3
9	784	Vehicle parts	9	13	12	-7.7	-0.0
10	057	Fruit & nuts	10	11	12	9.1	10.4
11	764	Telecom. equipment	17	12	11	-8.3	-22.5
12	874	Measuring instruments	12	11	11	0.0	-7.3
13	792	Aircraft & parts	6	10	10	0.0	-0.6
14	728	Specialised machinery	9	12	10	-16.7	9.1
15	713	Combustion engines	7	10	8	-20.0	-3.0
16	541	Pharm. products	12	26	8	-69.2	69.6
17	723	Civil eng. equip.	8	8	7	-12.5	-18.2
18	291	Crude animal materials	5	5	6	20.0	11.6
19	058	Pres. fruit & prep.	16	8	6	-25.0	-12.4
20	061	Sugars, molasses & honey	2	4	6	50.0	..
Total merchandise exports			1,740	1,964	1,755	-10.6	3.3
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	713	Combustion engines	185	210	147	-30.0	31.2
2	764	Telecom. equipment	82	128	128	0.0	-7.5
3	012	Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.	98	113	127	12.4	13.9
4	281	Iron ore	40	31	81	161.3	4.6
5	792	Aircraft & parts	75	160	67	-58.1	-21.7
6	248	Wood, simple	88	68	62	-8.8	-12.1
7	721	Agric. machinery	57	70	59	-15.7	10.7
8	874	Measuring instruments	41	46	55	19.6	9.8
9	542	Medicaments	20	18	53	194.4	51.9
10	251	Pulp & waste paper	35	48	43	-10.4	3.6
11	781	Passenger vehicles	70	10	41	310.0	..
12	562	Fertilizers	30	43	41	-4.7	-5.9
13	274	Sulphur & iron pyrites	48	47	40	-14.9	15.9
14	723	Civil eng. equip.	24	38	39	2.6	16.0
15	784	Vehicle parts	26	35	35	0.0	14.3
16	728	Specialised machinery	40	25	33	32.0	9.6
17	743	Pumps for gas	12	24	32	33.3	19.7
18	782	Goods vehicles	15	19	28	47.4	8.3
19	752	Computers	39	34	27	-20.6	-6.4
20	641	Paper & paperboard	48	47	25	-46.8	-1.2
Total merchandise imports			1,790	1,837	1,863	1.4	0.4

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH CANADA

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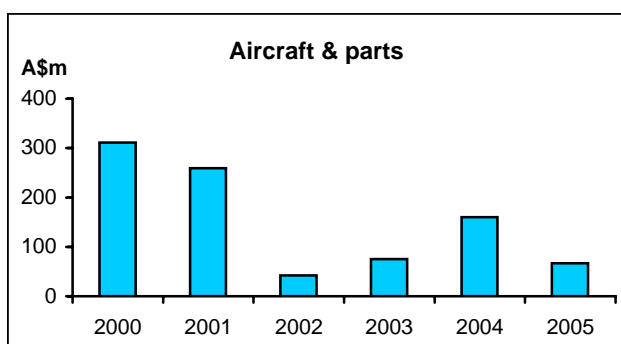
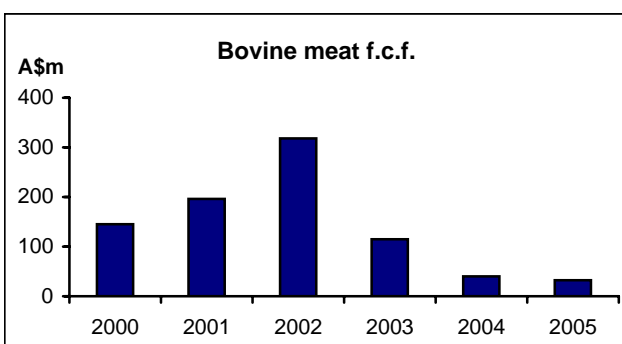
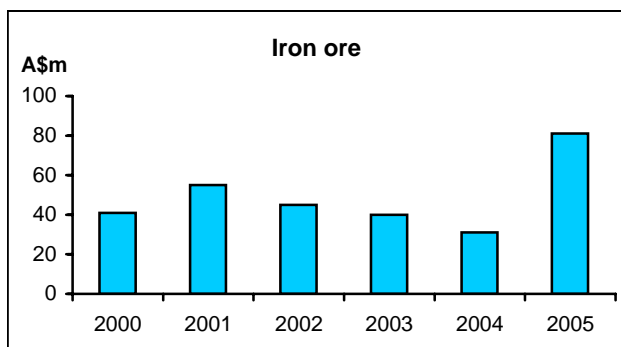
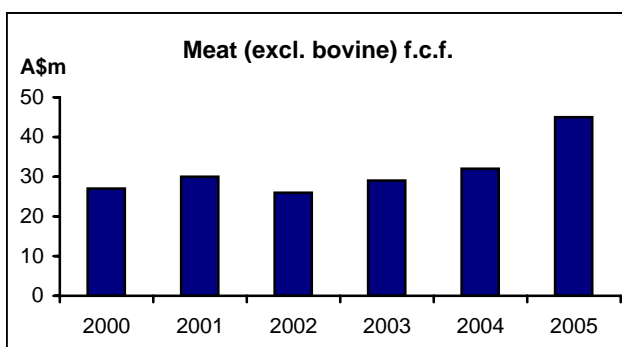
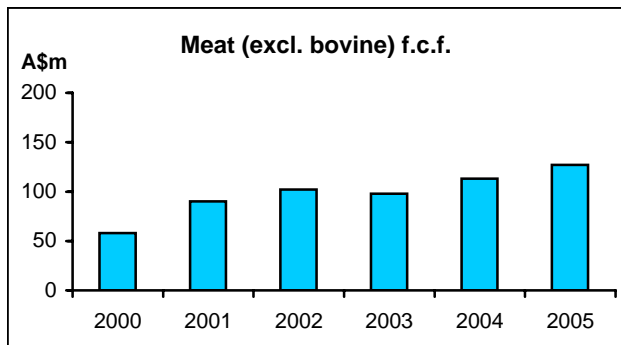
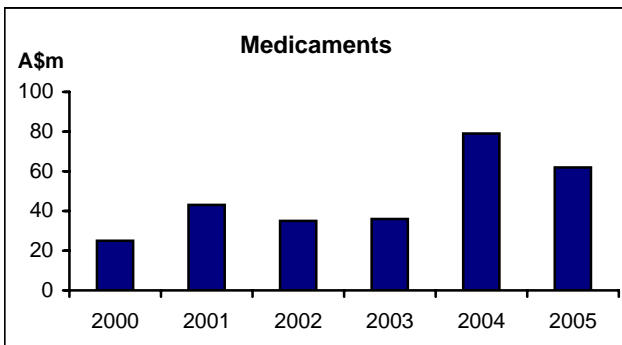
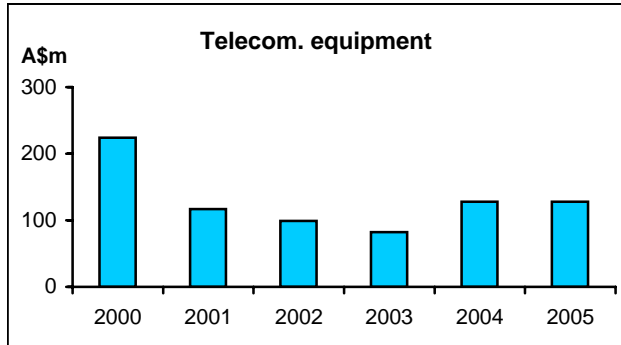
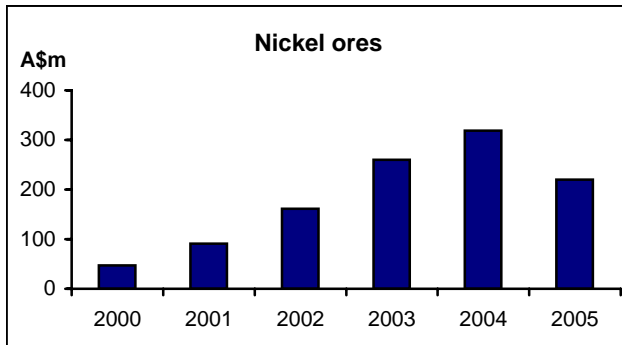
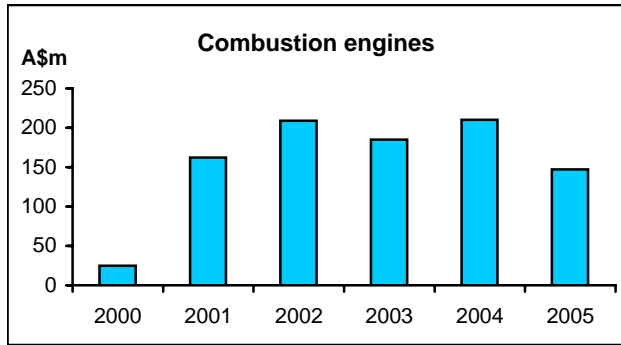
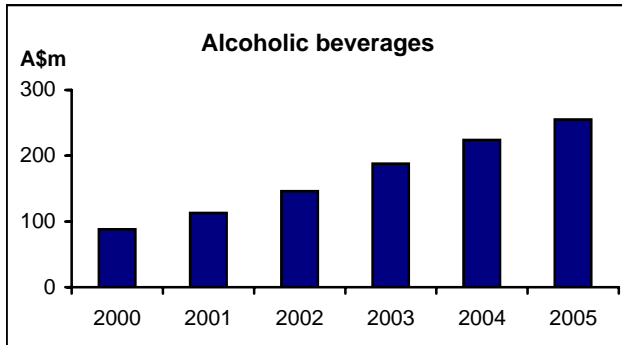


TABLE 23: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH CHILE
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	321	Coal	60	59	93	57.6	4.5
2	723	Civil eng. equip.	6	9	13	44.4	15.6
3	728	Specialised machinery	3	5	6	20.0	16.0
4	685	Lead	0	0	5	..	..
5	713	Combustion engines	9	10	5	-50.0	..
6	699	Other base metal manuf.	0	1	4	300.0	..
7	745	Non-electrical mach.	1	1	4	300.0	21.9
8	325	Coke	4	9	3	-66.7	..
9	874	Measuring instruments	1	3	3	0.0	16.4
10	742	Pumps for liquids	4	5	3	-40.0	-4.0
11	893	Other plastic articles	2	3	3	0.0	23.6
12	542	Medicaments	3	3	2	-33.3	-4.5
13	894	Toys, games, sporting	0	0	2	..	..
14	672	Iron or steel ingots	1	0	2	..	..
15	695	Hand/machine tools	1	0	2	..	..
16	764	Telecom. equipment	0	0	1	..	..
17	691	Iron, steel struct.	0	0	1	..	..
18	748	Transmission shafts, parts	0	0	1	..	..
19	791	Railway vehicles	0	0	1	..	..
20	776	Integrated circuits	0	0	1	..	..
Total merchandise exports			124	154	184	19.5	3.3
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	251	Pulp & waste paper	27	27	33	22.2	15.9
2	671	Pig iron	0	2	16	700.0	..
3	593	Explosives & pyrotechnics	11	8	14	75.0	75.8
4	248	Wood, simple	5	9	12	33.3	..
5	034	Fish, f.c.f.	14	10	6	-40.0	-17.9
6	058	Pres. fruit & prep.	4	7	6	-14.3	9.1
7	281	Iron ore	2	2	5	150.0	14.0
8	081	Animal feed	1	1	4	300.0	..
9	634	Veneers, plywood	3	4	3	-25.0	33.3
10	057	Fruit & nuts	2	2	3	50.0	6.0
11	037	Prepared seafood	2	3	3	0.0	-11.6
12	112	Alcoholic beverages	1	1	2	100.0	10.4
13	782	Goods vehicles	0	0	2	..	..
14	059	Fruit juices	1	2	2	0.0	17.2
15	625	Rubber tyres	0	0	2	..	..
16	581	Plastic tubes & pipes	0	0	1	..	..
17	054	Vegetables	0	2	1	-50.0	..
18	784	Vehicle parts	0	3	1	-66.7	..
19	793	Ships & boats	0	0	1	..	..
20	682	Copper	51	1	1	0.0	-26.9
Total merchandise imports			143	102	136	33.3	10.5

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH CHILE

■ Exports

■ Imports

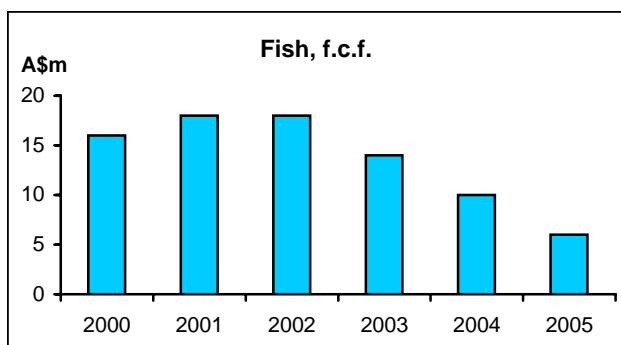
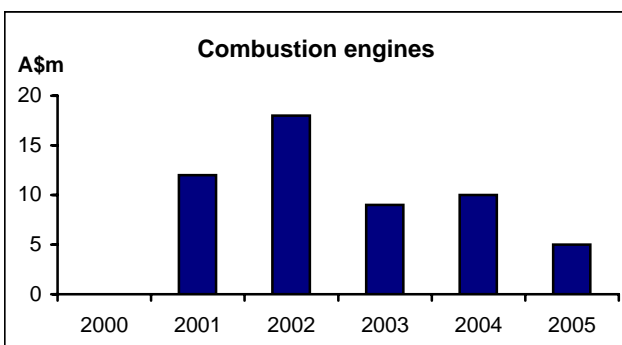
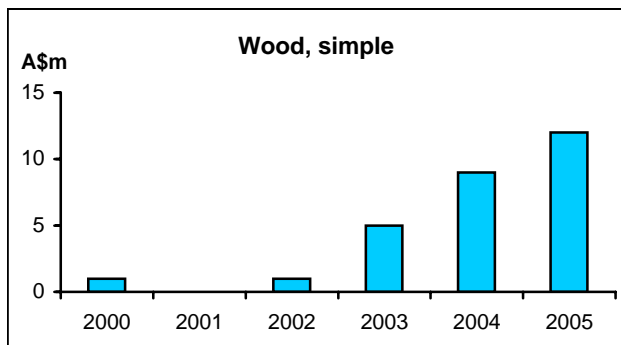
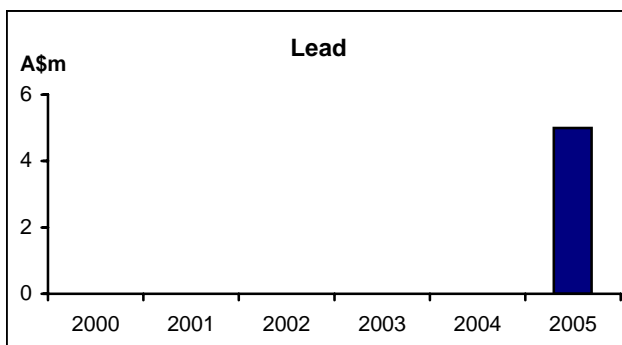
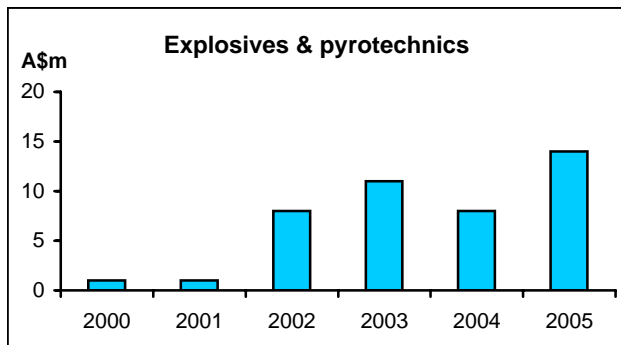
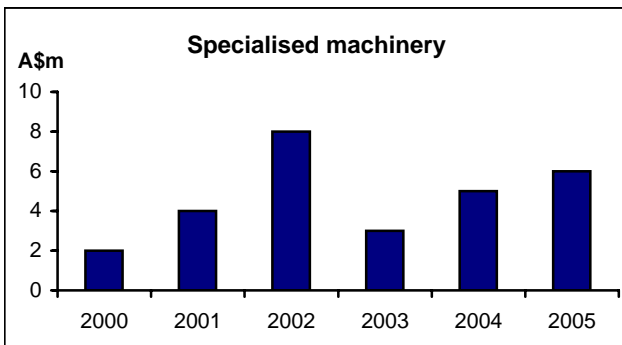
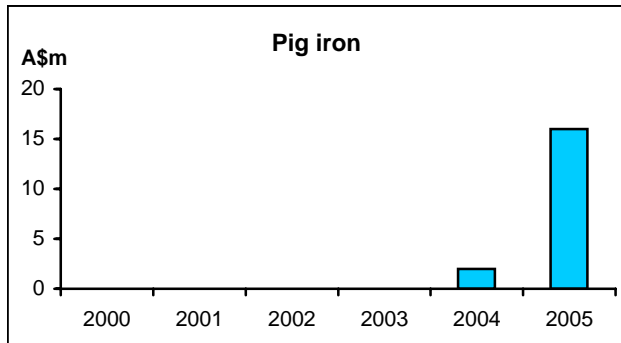
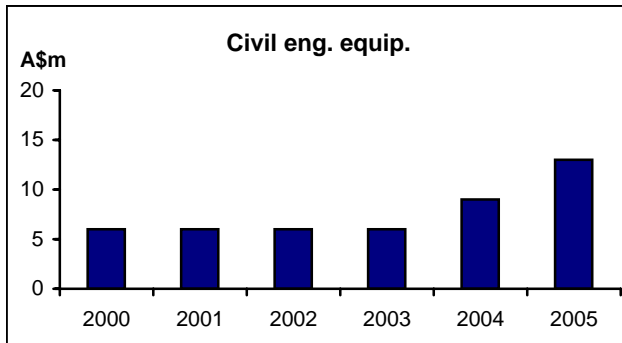
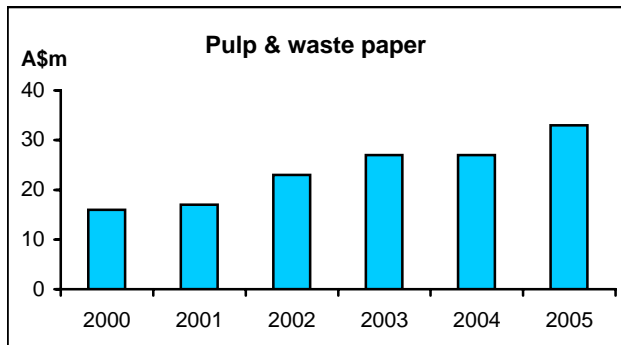
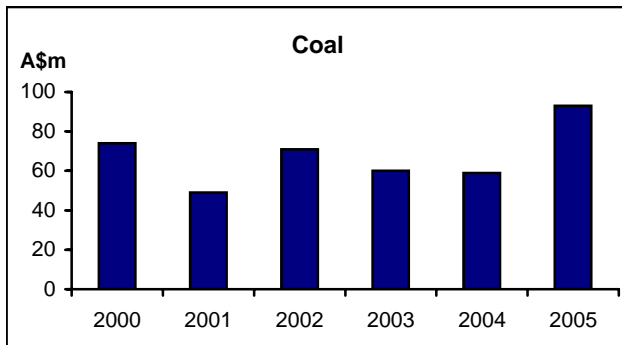


TABLE 24: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH MEXICO
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	321	Coal	241	190	518	172.6	56.1
2	012	Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.	53	42	49	16.7	-7.9
3	611	Leather	1	17	42	147.1	..
4	287	Other ores	0	11	30	172.7	..
5	001	Live animals	3	6	23	283.3	-11.3
6	023	Butter	8	13	22	69.2	10.3
7	592	Starches & inulin	15	12	20	66.7	7.0
8	022	Milk & cream	11	6	12	100.0	-21.9
9	011	Bovine meat f.c.f.	19	7	10	42.9	-21.6
10	582	Plastic plate, sheet & film	1	0	9	..	..
11	784	Vehicle parts	13	12	8	-33.3	3.8
12	684	Aluminium	0	3	7	133.3	..
13	728	Specialised machinery	3	1	5	400.0	8.8
14	751	Office machines	0	0	5	..	..
15	268	Wool	15	3	4	33.3	-40.6
16	727	Food-proc. machines	0	2	3	50.0	..
17	778	Other elec. mach.	3	1	3	200.0	..
18	745	Non-electrical mach.	1	3	3	0.0	..
19	772	Elec. circuits equip.	5	3	3	0.0	24.3
20	874	Measuring instruments	2	2	3	50.0	2.3
Total merchandise exports			452	427	830	94.4	14.3
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	784	Vehicle parts	54	69	93	34.8	37.8
2	699	Other base metal manuf.	4	23	85	269.6	98.5
3	764	Telecom. equipment	100	107	82	-23.4	-6.1
4	752	Computers	45	42	66	57.1	19.6
5	872	Medical instruments	37	53	57	7.5	82.3
6	542	Medicaments	30	54	47	-13.0	30.9
7	112	Alcoholic beverages	25	33	40	21.2	25.3
8	713	Combustion engines	28	42	40	-4.8	..
9	781	Passenger vehicles	27	40	37	-7.5	-3.4
10	759	Computer parts	33	28	28	0.0	-4.9
11	778	Other elec. mach.	9	12	16	33.3	21.9
12	874	Measuring instruments	14	13	15	15.4	32.4
13	762	Radio receivers	6	6	15	150.0	5.5
14	772	Elec. circuits equip.	7	9	11	22.2	15.2
15	696	Cutlery	3	2	9	350.0	-15.4
16	884	Other optical	4	5	9	80.0	..
17	747	Taps, cocks, valves	8	7	9	28.6	54.4
18	763	Sound & video recorders	0	2	9	350.0	..
19	899	Miscellaneous manuf. articles	7	7	8	14.3	12.4
20	598	Misc. chemical products	13	7	7	0.0	-6.5
Total merchandise imports			588	682	847	24.2	10.7

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH MEXICO

■ Exports

■ Imports

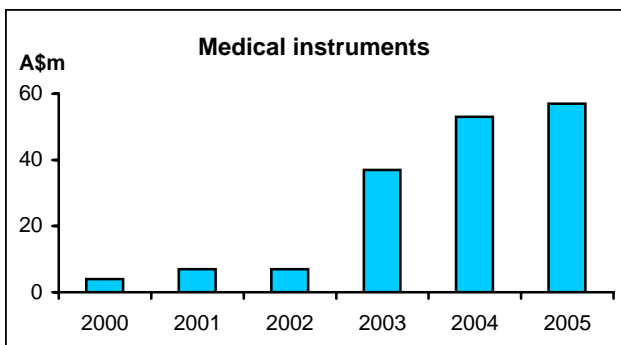
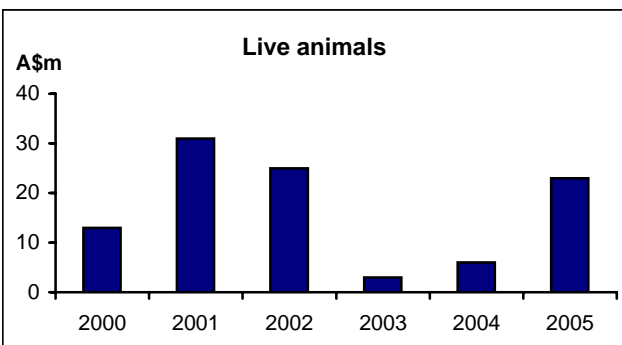
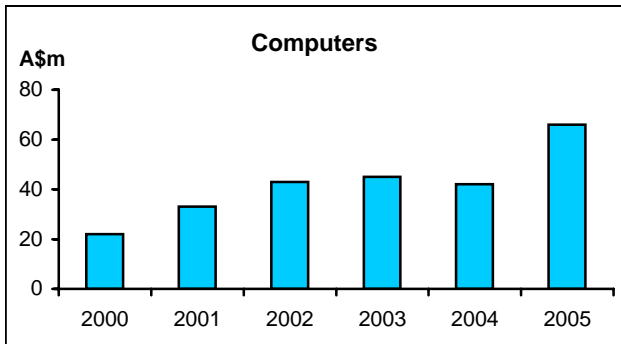
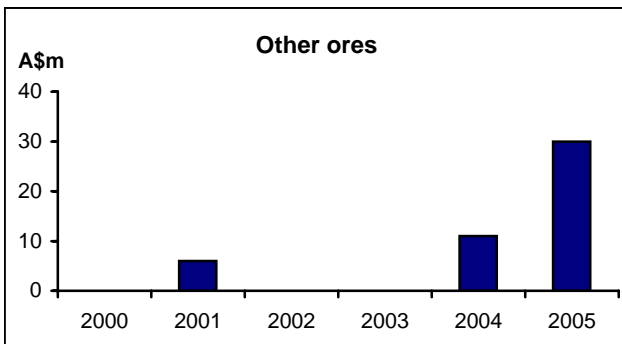
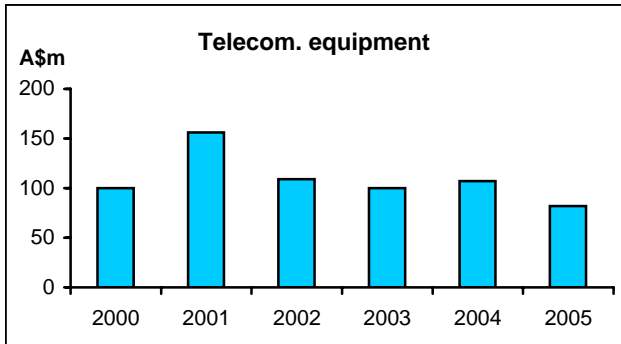
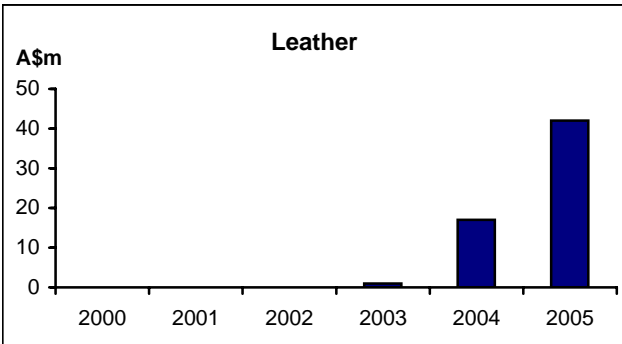
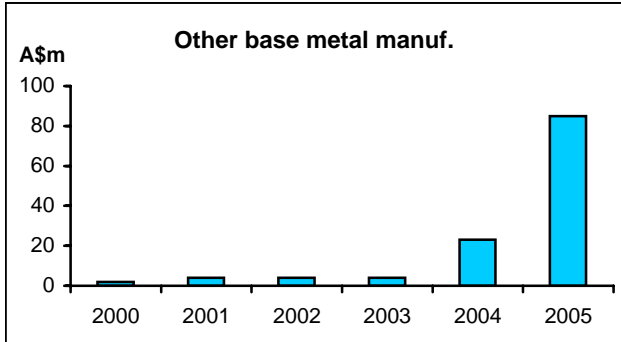
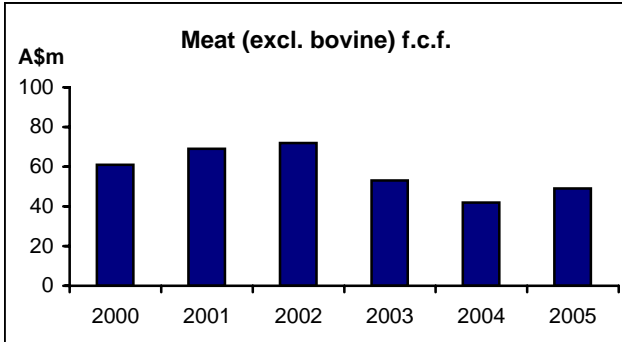
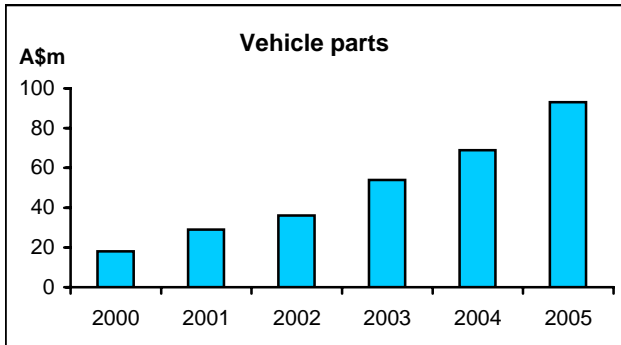
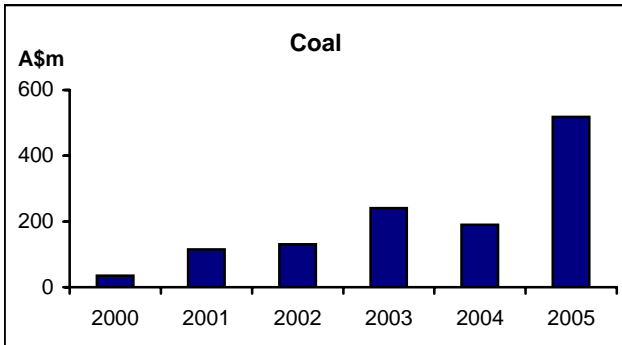


TABLE 25: AUSTRALIA'S MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES
(A\$ million) (a)

Rank	SITC	Commodity	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
						2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Top 20 merchandise exports							
1	011	Bovine meat f.c.f.	1,357	1,411	1,208	-14.4	-2.1
2	112	Alcoholic beverages	838	897	907	1.1	16.6
3	012	Meat (excl. bovine) f.c.f.	377	350	421	20.3	9.5
4	781	Passenger vehicles	251	485	368	-24.1	-3.9
5	333	Crude petroleum	583	526	285	-45.8	-22.2
6	872	Medical instruments	180	184	285	54.9	17.2
7	792	Aircraft & parts	342	250	267	6.8	-4.9
8	542	Medicaments	245	188	213	13.3	-4.3
9	784	Vehicle parts	286	242	169	-30.2	-10.4
10	684	Aluminium	135	175	159	-9.1	1.3
11	673	Uncoated flat steel	104	156	156	0.0	21.1
12	894	Toys, games, sporting	79	99	154	55.6	34.7
13	874	Measuring instruments	125	108	131	21.3	-8.8
14	899	Miscellaneous manuf. articles	86	86	95	10.5	13.2
15	713	Combustion engines	59	79	94	19.0	7.0
16	592	Starches & inulin	143	110	91	-17.3	-4.4
17	036	Crustaceans	106	109	90	-17.4	0.6
18	793	Ships & boats	117	58	84	44.8	0.1
19	057	Fruit & nuts	61	84	79	-6.0	1.4
20	764	Telecom. equipment	138	94	74	-21.3	-9.5
Total merchandise exports			9,456	9,545	9,260	-3.0	-4.8
Top 20 merchandise imports							
1	792	Aircraft & parts	3,270	1,845	1,572	-14.8	-5.7
2	874	Measuring instruments	714	836	813	-2.8	-0.3
3	542	Medicaments	644	779	773	-0.8	5.2
4	764	Telecom. equipment	616	704	728	3.4	-14.2
5	723	Civil eng. equip.	472	598	669	11.9	11.7
6	752	Computers	630	594	627	5.6	-8.8
7	515	Organo-inorganic comp.	163	230	601	161.3	-6.0
8	713	Combustion engines	693	659	587	-10.9	-5.2
9	782	Goods vehicles	268	532	534	0.4	21.8
10	872	Medical instruments	433	478	522	9.2	2.9
11	784	Vehicle parts	524	526	503	-4.4	-3.2
12	781	Passenger vehicles	420	430	422	-1.9	5.4
13	721	Agric. machinery	266	406	372	-8.4	4.2
14	562	Fertilizers	327	350	371	6.0	3.9
15	743	Pumps for gas	289	317	359	13.2	2.0
16	541	Pharm. products	273	267	358	34.1	9.6
17	899	Miscellaneous manuf. articles	256	306	350	14.4	7.7
18	778	Other elec. mach.	337	318	317	-0.3	-3.0
19	553	Perfumery & cosmetics	253	273	312	14.3	4.2
20	744	Mechanical handling equip.	163	206	300	45.6	9.1
Total merchandise imports			20,529	20,526	21,404	4.3	-1.8

(a) Rank based on 2005.

Source: ABS trade data on DFAT STARS database.

AUSTRALIA'S MAJOR MERCHANDISE TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES

■ Exports

■ Imports

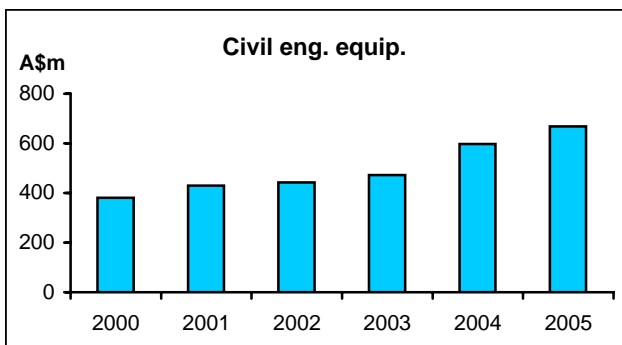
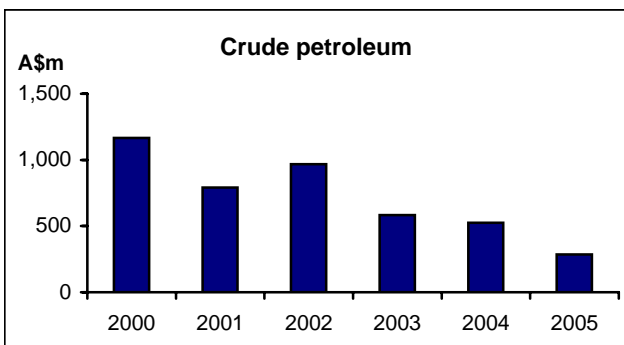
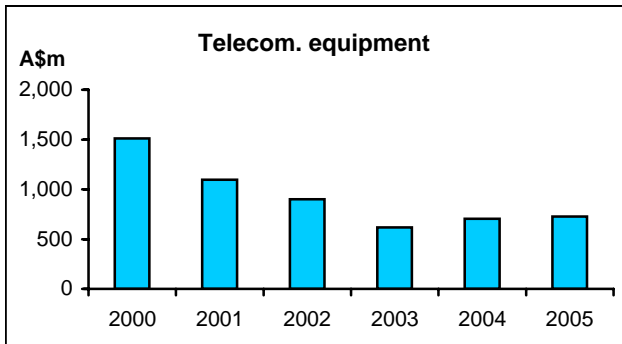
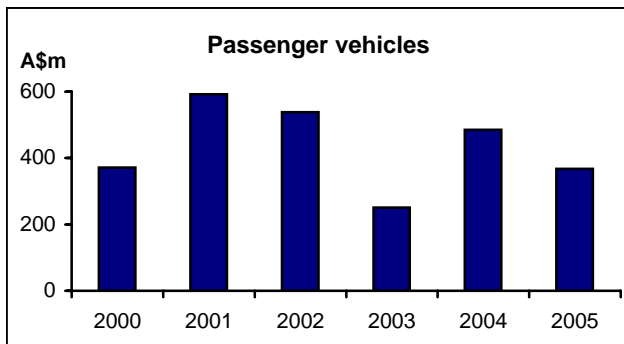
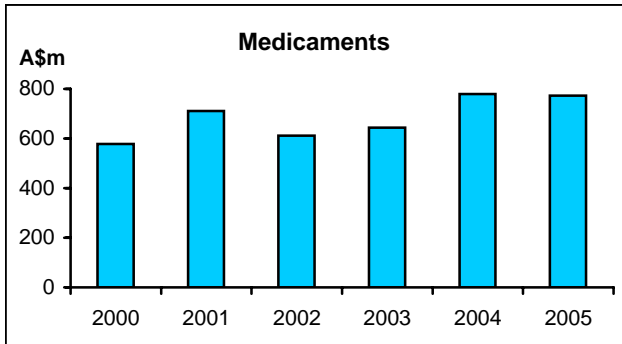
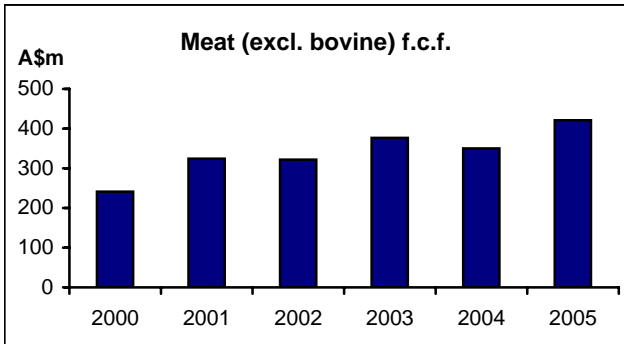
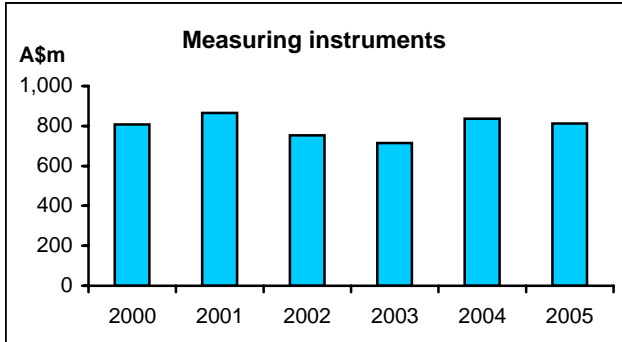
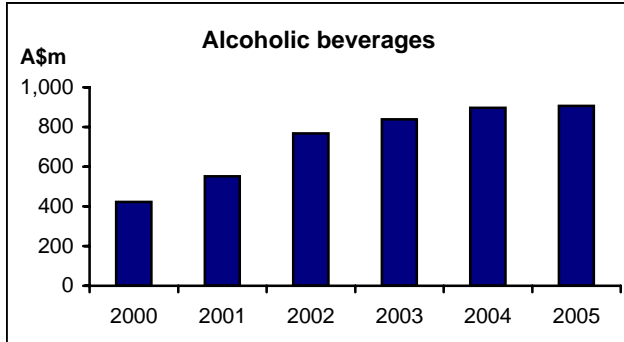
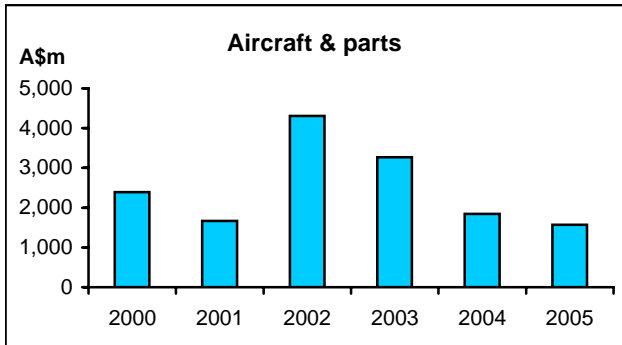
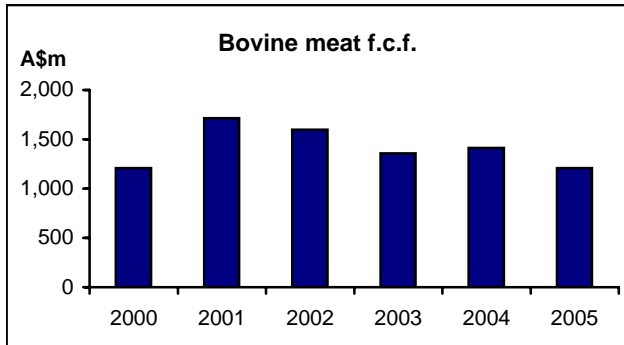


TABLE 26: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES TRADE WITH CANADA

	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
				2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Services exports					
Transportation	56	54	70	29.6	-0.4
Travel	335	367	388	5.7	4.1
Communication services	8	11	6	-45.5	-28.4
Construction services	0	0	0	..	..
Insurance services	0	0	0	..	..
Financial services	1	1	1	0.0	0.0
Computer & information services	1	np	1	..	..
Royalties & license fees	3	np	9	..	..
Other business services	9	35	20	-42.9	35.5
Personal, cultural & recreational services	3	2	3	50.0	17.0
Government services	2	2	2	0.0	0.0
Total services exports	417	480	500	4.2	2.9
Services imports					
Transportation	72	np	np	..	..
Travel	336	406	443	9.1	4.0
Communication services	5	np	np	..	..
Construction services	0	0	0	..	..
Insurance services	0	0	0	..	..
Financial services	4	4	4	0.0	0.0
Computer & information services	7	5	np	..	..
Royalties & license fees	2	np	2	..	..
Other business services	40	40	47	17.5	14.6
Personal, cultural & recreational services	5	2	6	200.0	..
Government services	4	5	5	0.0	9.6
Total services imports	476	567	640	12.9	3.8

TABLE 27: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES

	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
				2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Services exports					
Transportation	747	615	771	25.4	-2.9
Travel	1,307	1,294	1,208	-6.6	-3.4
Communication services	217	80	89	11.3	-21.7
Construction services	2	np	0	..	..
Insurance services	286	290	293	1.0	-1.0
Financial services	280	281	281	0.0	1.7
Computer & information services	316	337	354	5.0	3.4
Royalties & license fees	276	240	226	-5.8	-8.1
Other business services	967	899	954	6.1	-1.5
Personal, cultural & recreational services	89	np	70	..	..
Government services	169	185	185	0.0	4.4
Total services exports	4,655	4,279	4,431	3.6	-4.5
Services imports					
Transportation	674	608	585	-3.8	-14.7
Travel	1,482	1,848	2,049	10.9	2.4
Communication services	220	93	84	-9.7	-27.4
Construction services	0	0	0	..	..
Insurance services	299	302	306	1.3	-0.2
Financial services	185	185	187	1.1	-0.5
Computer & information services	422	382	355	-7.1	-0.1
Royalties & license fees	1,057	1,106	1,236	11.8	6.5
Other business services	1,141	967	940	-2.8	2.9
Personal, cultural & recreational services	491	555	493	-11.2	2.8
Government services	230	248	252	1.6	6.0
Total services imports	6,200	6,294	6,489	3.1	-0.7

Source: ABS Cat. No 5368.0

TABLE 28: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES TRADE WITH CHILE

	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
				2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Services exports					
Transportation	np	np	np	..	..
Travel	10	13	np	..	..
Other services	np	np	np	..	..
Total services exports	14	17	28	64.7	17.9
Services imports					
Transportation	18	np	np	..	..
Travel	24	25	29	16.0	7.7
Other services	1	np	np	..	..
Total services imports	43	50	76	52.0	5.4

TABLE 29: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES TRADE WITH MEXICO

	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
				2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Services exports					
Transportation	0	np	np	..	..
Travel	25	27	29	7.4	14.6
Other services	0	np	np	..	..
Total services exports	25	31	35	12.9	13.5
Services imports					
Transportation	0	0	0	..	..
Travel	13	20	21	5.0	11.9
Other services	3	3	3	0.0	..
Total services imports	16	23	24	4.3	6.5

TABLE 30: AUSTRALIA'S SERVICES TRADE WITH PERU

	2003	2004	2005	% growth	
				2004 to 2005	5 year trend
Services exports					
Transportation	0	0	0	..	..
Travel	5	6	8	33.3	15.0
Other services	0	0	1	..	..
Total services exports	5	6	9	50.0	2.9
Services imports					
Transportation	0	0	0	..	..
Travel	14	15	18	20.0	18.0
Other services	0	0	1
Total services imports	14	15	19	26.7	17.4

Section 2: Fact sheets



AUSTRALIA

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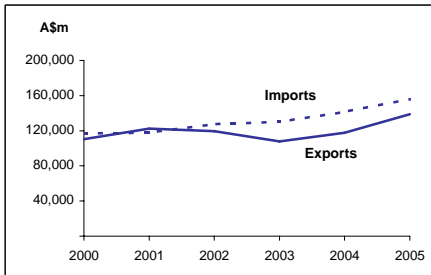
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Capital:	Canberra
Surface area:	7,692 thousand sq km
Official language:	English
Population:	20.3 million (Jun 2005)
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = US\$ 0.7491 (Jan 2006)

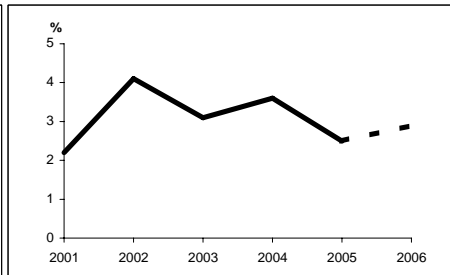
Head of State:	H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General Major-General Michael Jeffery
Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Hon. John Winston Howard

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	368.6	413.6	527.0	637.5	708.0	729.2
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	508.8	538.5	567.7	601.5	630.1	663.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	18,955	21,023	26,475	31,647	34,714	35,311
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	26,167	27,372	28,519	29,859	30,897	32,127
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	2.2	4.1	3.1	3.6	2.5	2.9
Current account balance (US\$m):	-7,758	-16,235	-29,541	-40,235	-42,241	-40,783
Current account balance (% GDP):	-2.1	-3.9	-5.6	-6.3	-6.0	-5.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	22.0	20.2	17.6	17.8	19.0	20.7
Inflation (% change YOY):	4.4	3.0	2.8	2.3	2.7	2.8

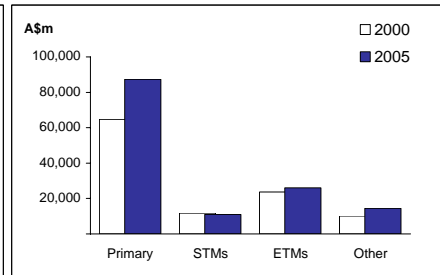
Australia's merchandise trade



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports



Australia's trade and investment relationships:

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Coal	21,827
Iron ore	11,017
Crude petroleum	6,281
Non-monetary gold	5,822
Bovine meat	4,670

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Passenger motor vehicles	12,152
Crude petroleum	10,521
Refined petroleum	6,180
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	5,960
Computers	5,930

Australian merchandise trade, 2005:

Exports (A\$m):	138,781
Imports (A\$m):	155,808
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	294,589
Merchandise trade deficit (A\$m):	17,026

Australia's main merchandise export destinations, 2005:

1	Japan	20.4%
2	China	11.6%
3	Republic of Korea	7.9%
4	United States	6.7%
5	New Zealand	6.5%

Australia's main merchandise import sources, 2005:

1	United States	13.7%
2	China	13.7%
3	Japan	11.0%
4	Germany	5.6%
5	Singapore	5.6%

Australia's trade in services, 2005:

Exports of services (A\$m):	37,121
Imports of services (A\$m):	38,639
Services trade deficit (A\$m):	1,518

Australia's investment links, Dec 2005:

Level of Australian investment abroad (A\$m):	653,840
Level of foreign investment in Australia (A\$m):	1,214,011

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ARGENTINA

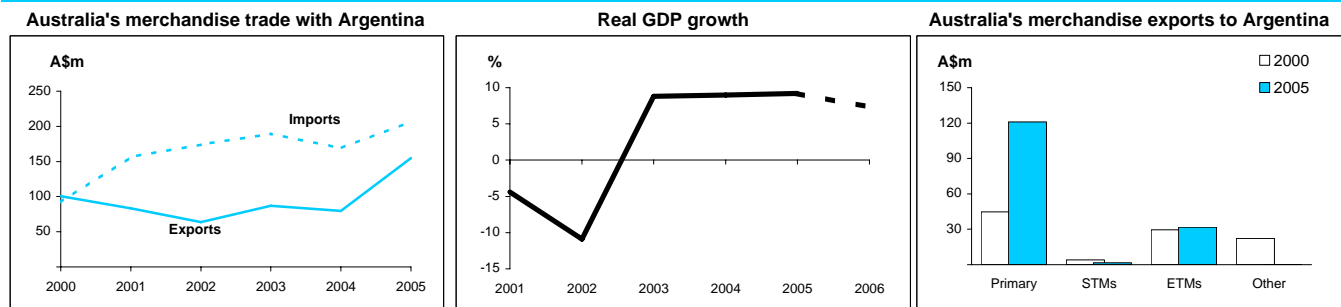
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Capital:	Buenos Aires	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	2,780 thousand sq km	H.E. President Mr Néstor Carlos Kirchner	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	39.1 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 2.2679 Pesos (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	268.7	97.7	127.6	152.0	181.7	210.1
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	430.0	389.8	432.9	484.4	533.7	567.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	7,410	2,667	3,446	4,060	4,802	5,497
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	11,858	10,637	11,688	12,940	14,109	14,838
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	-4.4	-10.9	8.8	9.0	9.2	7.3
Current account balance (US\$m):	-3,291	8,668	7,982	3,317	3,323	2,569
Current account balance (% GDP):	-1.2	8.9	6.3	2.2	1.8	1.2
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	11.5	27.7	25.0	25.3	24.6	24.7
Inflation (% change YOY):	-1.1	25.9	13.4	4.4	9.6	12.9



Australia's trade relationship with Argentina:

Australian merchandise trade with Argentina, 2005:		<u>Total share:</u>	<u>Rank:</u>	<u>Growth (yoy):</u>
Exports to Argentina (A\$m):	155	0.1%	50th	94.7%
Imports from Argentina (A\$m):	207	0.1%	43rd	22.5%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	362	0.1%	47th	45.7%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):		Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):	
Coal	109	Motor vehicles for transporting goods	50
Aircraft & parts	15	Power generating machinery	31
Crude vegetable materials	9	Leather	22
Civil engineering equipment	3	"Soft" fixed vegetable fats & oils	20

Australia's trade in services with Argentina, 2005:		<u>Total share:</u>
Exports of services to Argentina (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.
Imports of services from Argentina (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.

Argentina's global merchandise trade relationships:

Argentina's principal export destinations, 2004:				Argentina's principal import sources, 2004:			
1	Brazil	15.4%		1	Brazil	36.1%	
2	Chile	10.4%		2	United States	16.6%	
3	United States	10.2%		3	Germany	5.7%	
45	Australia	0.3%		32	Australia	0.3%	

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THE BAHAMAS

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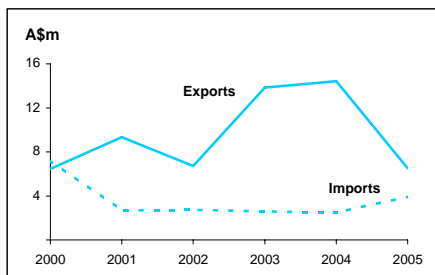
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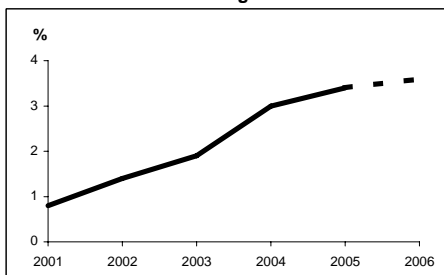
Capital:	Nassau	Head of State:	H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General, H.E. The Hon Arthur D Hanna
Surface area:	13.9 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Right Hon Perry Gladstone Christie
Official language:	English		
Population:	0.3 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = B\$ 0.9177 (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	5.1	5.4	5.5	5.7	6.0	6.3
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	5.4	5.6	5.8	6.1	6.5	6.9
GDP per capita (US\$):	16,694	17,315	17,396	17,810	18,526	19,194
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	17,636	17,933	18,386	19,171	20,076	21,049
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	0.8	1.4	1.9	3.0	3.4	3.6
Current account balance (US\$m):	-584	-342	-441	-305	-738	-921
Current account balance (% GDP):	-11.4	-6.3	-8.0	-5.3	-12.3	-14.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	42.2	43.9	42.2	43.3	na	na
Inflation (% change YOY):	2.0	2.2	3.0	0.8	2.0	1.2

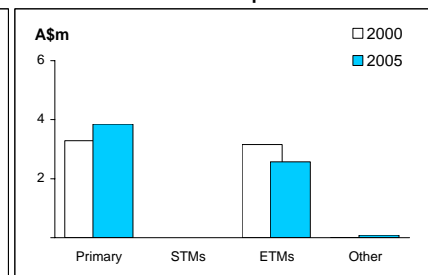
Australia's merchandise trade with the Bahamas



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to the Bahamas



Australia's trade relationship with the Bahamas:

Australian merchandise trade with the Bahamas, 2005:

Exports to the Bahamas (A\$m):	7
Imports from the Bahamas (A\$m):	4
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	10

Total share: Rank: Growth (yoy):

0.0%	128th	-54.9%
0.0%	105th	58.8%
0.0%	136th	-38.4%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Meat (excl. bovine)	4
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	3

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Polymers of styrene, primary	4
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Australia's trade in services with the Bahamas, 2005:

Exports of services to the Bahamas (A\$m):	n.a.
Imports of services from the Bahamas (A\$m):	n.a.

Total share:

n.a.
n.a.

The Bahamas' global merchandise trade relationships:

The Bahamas' principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	40.5%
2	Poland	13.4%
3	Spain	12.3%
26	Australia	0.1%

The Bahamas' principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	22.4%
2	Republic of Korea	18.9%
3	Brazil	9.2%
27	Australia	0.2%

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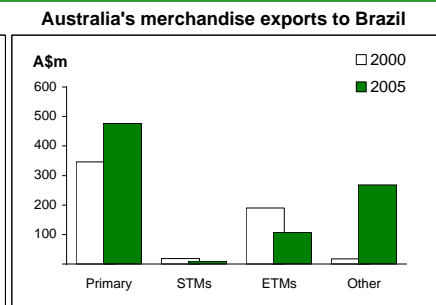
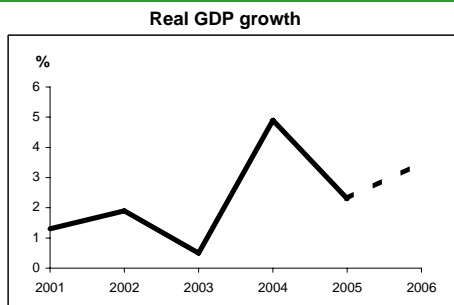
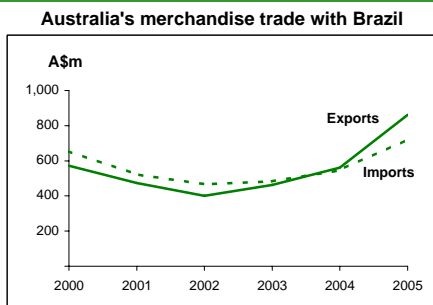
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Surface area:	8,515 thousand sq km	H.E. President Mr Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva	
Official language:	Portuguese		
Population:	181.4 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 1.7028 Reais (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	510.4	460.6	505.5	603.8	792.7	1,023.2
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	1,299.9	1,348.0	1,382.9	1,489.4	1,576.7	1,665.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	2,961	2,611	2,824	3,325	4,316	5,507
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	7,541	7,642	7,727	8,202	8,584	8,964
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	1.3	1.9	0.5	4.9	2.3	3.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	-23,215	-7,637	4,177	11,711	14,199	10,529
Current account balance (% GDP):	-4.5	-1.7	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.0
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	13.2	15.5	16.4	18.0	16.8	16.6
Inflation (% change YOY):	6.8	8.4	14.8	6.6	6.9	4.9



Australia's trade relationship with Brazil:

Australian merchandise trade with Brazil, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Brazil (A\$m):	862	0.6%	25th	53.6%
Imports from Brazil (A\$m):	722	0.5%	33rd	32.0%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	1,583	0.5%	30th	42.9%

Major Australian exports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Coal	456
Nickel	32
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	14
Passenger motor vehicles	10

*Includes A\$268m of confidential items, 31% of total exports.

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Motor vehicles for transporting goods	63
Animal feed	62
Pulp & waste paper	44
Pig iron	43

Australia's trade in services with Brazil, 2005:

		Total share:
Exports of services to Brazil (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.
Imports of services from Brazil (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.

Brazil's global merchandise trade relationships:

Brazil's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	20.8%
2	Argentina	7.5%
3	Netherlands	6.1%
41	Australia	0.4%

Brazil's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	18.3%
2	Argentina	8.9%
3	Germany	8.1%
32	Australia	0.6%

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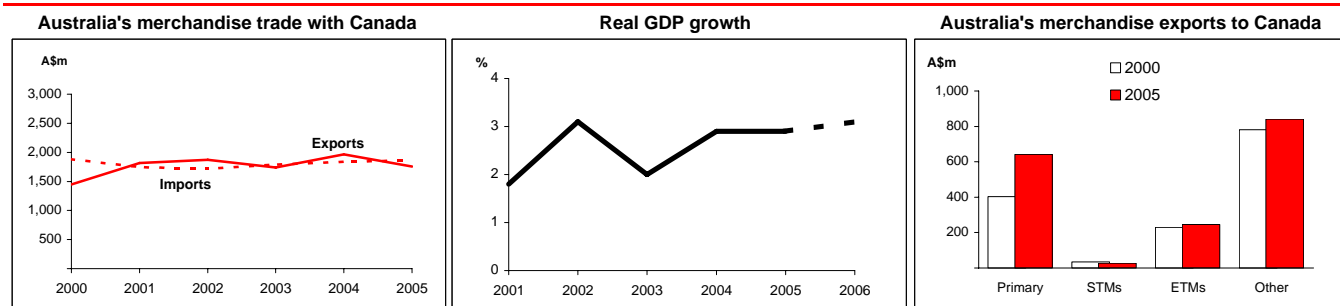
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Capital:	Ottawa	Head of State:	H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, represented by
Surface area:	9,971 thousand sq km	Governor-General:	H.E. The Rt. Hon. Michaëlle Jean
Official languages:	English, French	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Rt. Hon. Stephen Joseph Harper
Population:	32.2 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = C\$ 0.8671 (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	715.6	735.6	870.5	993.4	1,130.2	1,258.7
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	908.0	952.4	991.4	1,047.3	1,104.7	1,164.0
GDP per capita (US\$):	23,104	23,485	27,524	31,111	35,064	38,659
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	29,316	30,408	31,347	32,798	34,273	35,748
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	1.8	3.1	2.0	2.9	2.9	3.1
Current account balance (US\$m):	16,213	13,457	13,167	22,159	24,974	39,305
Current account balance (% GDP):	2.3	1.8	1.5	2.2	2.2	3.1
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	43.5	41.4	37.9	38.2	37.9	37.8
Inflation (% change YOY):	2.5	2.3	2.7	1.8	2.2	1.8



Australia's trade relationship with Canada:

Australian merchandise trade with Canada, 2005:	Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Canada (A\$m):	1.3%	17th	-10.6%
Imports from Canada (A\$m):	1.2%	19th	1.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	1.2%	18th	-4.8%

Major Australian merch. exports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Alcoholic beverages	255
Nickel ores	220
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	62
Meat (excl. bovine)	45

Major Australian merch. imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Internal combustion piston engines	147
Telecommunications equipment	128
Meat (excl. bovine)	127
Iron ore	81

*Includes A\$832m of confidential items, 47% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Canada, 2005:

	Total share:
Exports of services to Canada (A\$m):	1.3%
Imports of services from Canada (A\$m):	1.7%

Major Australian service exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl. education	279
Education-related travel	80

Major Australian service imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl. education	297
Business travel	34

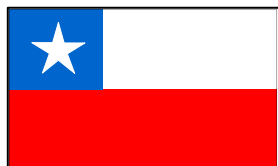
Canada's global merchandise trade relationships:

Canada's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	85.1%
2	Japan	2.1%
3	United Kingdom	1.6%
13	Australia	0.4%

Canada's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	58.9%
2	China	6.8%
3	Mexico	3.8%
17	Australia	0.5%



CHILE

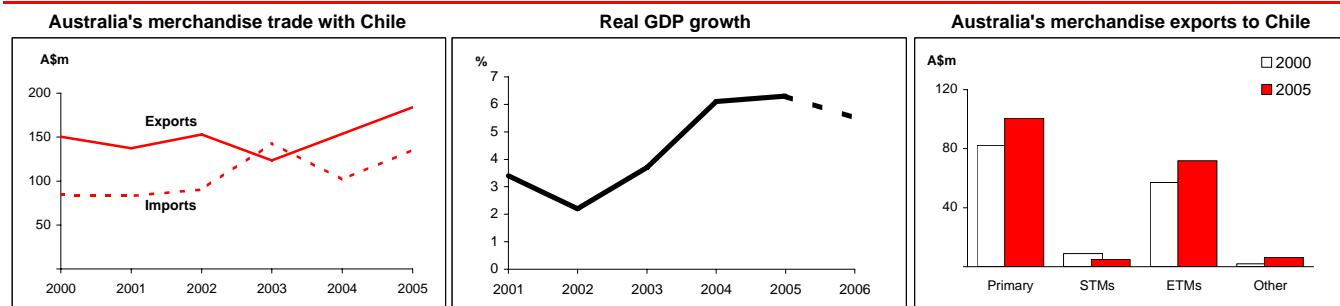
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Capital:	Santiago	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	757 thousand sq km	H.E. President Ms Michelle Bachelet Jeria	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	15.5 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 92.8985 Pesos (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	68.6	67.3	73.4	94.1	114.0	118.2
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	148.6	154.5	163.5	178.0	193.2	208.7
GDP per capita (US\$):	4,452	4,315	4,657	5,903	7,040	7,214
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	9,648	9,911	10,379	11,166	11,937	12,737
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	3.4	2.2	3.7	6.1	6.3	5.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	-1,100	-580	-1,102	1,389	-453	607
Current account balance (% GDP):	-1.6	-0.9	-1.5	1.5	-0.4	0.5
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	33.3	34.0	36.6	40.8	41.8	41.1
Inflation (% change YOY):	3.6	2.5	2.8	1.1	3.1	3.8



Australia's trade relationship with Chile:

Australian merchandise trade with Chile, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Chile (A\$m):	184	0.1%	46th	19.5%
Imports from Chile (A\$m):	136	0.1%	50th	33.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	319	0.1%	49th	25.0%

Major Australian merch. exports, 2005 (A\$m):		Major Australian merch. imports, 2005 (A\$m):	
Coal	93	Pulp & waste paper	33
Civil engineering equipment	13	Pig iron	16
Specialised machinery	6	Explosives & pyrotechnic products	14
Lead	5	Wood, simply worked	12

Australia's trade in services with Chile, 2005:		Total share:	
Exports of services to Chile (A\$m):	28	0.1%	
Imports of services from Chile (A\$m):	76	0.2%	

Major Australian service exports, 2005 (A\$m):	n.a.	Major Australian service imports, 2005 (A\$m):	n.a.
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Chile's global merchandise trade relationships:

Chile's principal export destinations, 2004:		Chile's principal import sources, 2004:	
1 United States	14.0%	1 Argentina	16.8%
2 Japan	11.4%	2 United States	13.7%
3 China	9.9%	3 Brazil	11.2%
38 Australia	0.3%	23 Australia	0.6%

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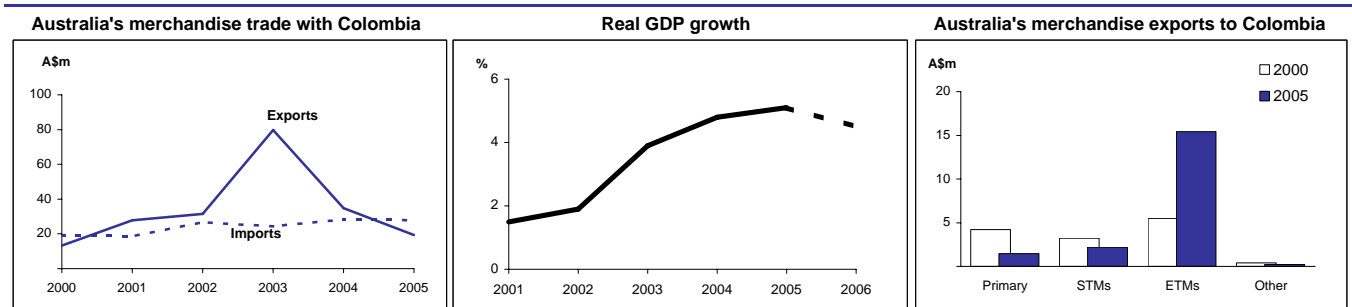
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Capital:	Bogotá	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	1,139 thousand sq km	H.E. President Dr Alvaro Uribe Velez	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	46.0 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 1704.6 Pesos (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	82.0	81.1	79.5	96.8	122.3	136.8
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	268.7	278.7	296.1	316.3	337.3	358.0
GDP per capita (US\$):	1,971	1,917	1,845	2,208	2,742	3,019
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	6,461	6,585	6,874	7,216	7,565	7,898
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	1.5	1.9	3.9	4.8	5.1	4.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	-1,094	-1,341	-991	-950	-2,115	-2,170
Current account balance (% GDP):	-1.3	-1.7	-1.2	-1.0	-1.7	-1.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	20.4	19.4	20.8	21.2	21.2	21.6
Inflation (% change YOY):	8.0	6.3	7.1	5.9	5.0	4.7



Australia's trade relationship with Colombia:

Australian merchandise trade with Colombia, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Colombia (A\$m):	19	0.0%	90th	-44.4%
Imports from Colombia (A\$m):	28	0.0%	67th	-2.1%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	47	0.0%	84th	-25.3%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Internal combustion piston engines	2
Woven cotton fabrics	2
Toys, games & sporting goods	2
Electrical equipment for circuits	2

Major Australian imports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Coffee and coffee substitutes	10
Special yarns and textile fabrics	2
Insecticides, rodenticides, herbicides	1
Cereal preparations	1

*Includes A\$9m of confidential items, 33% of total imports.

Australia's trade in services with Colombia, 2005:

Exports of services to Colombia (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Colombia (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Colombia's global merchandise trade relationships:

Colombia's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	42.1%
2	Venezuela	9.7%
3	Ecuador	6.0%
48	Australia	0.1%

Colombia's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	29.1%
2	Venezuela	6.5%
3	China	6.4%
40	Australia	0.2%

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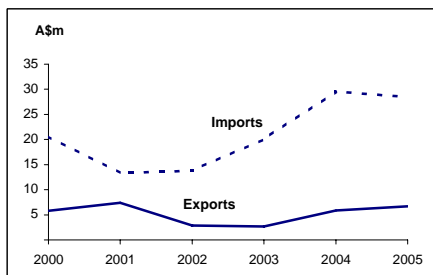
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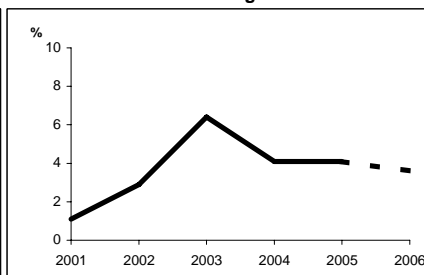
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Surface area:	51 thousand sq km		H.E. President Dr Abel Pacheco de la Espiella
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	4.3 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 373.2977 Colones (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	16.4	16.9	17.5	18.5	19.8	20.5
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	35.1	36.7	39.9	42.7	45.1	47.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	4,093	4,127	4,195	4,362	4,573	4,646
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	8,747	8,976	9,566	10,040	10,434	10,747
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	1.1	2.9	6.4	4.1	4.1	3.6
Current account balance (US\$m):	-729	-945	-958	-806	-959	-931
Current account balance (% GDP):	-4.4	-5.6	-5.5	-4.3	-4.8	-4.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	41.5	42.4	46.7	46.3	n.a.	n.a.
Inflation (% change YOY):	11.3	9.2	9.4	11.5	13.6	13.1

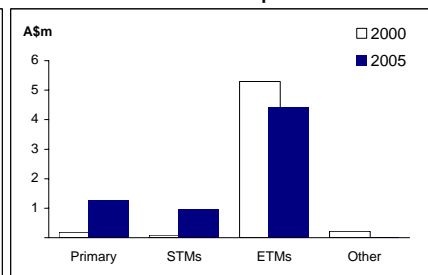
Australia's merchandise trade with Costa Rica



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Costa Rica



Australia's trade relationship with Costa Rica:

Australian merchandise trade with Costa Rica, 2005:

Exports to Costa Rica (A\$m):	7	Total share:	0.0%	Rank:	125th	Growth (yoy):	13.6%
Imports from Costa Rica (A\$m):	28		0.0%		66th		-3.9%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	35		0.0%		87th		-1.0%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Ships, boats & floating structures	2
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	1
Milk and cream	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Integrated circuits	11
Computer parts	7
Medical instruments	3
Coffee and coffee substitutes	3

Australia's trade in services with Costa Rica, 2005:

Exports of services to Costa Rica (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Costa Rica (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Costa Rica's global merchandise trade relationships:

Costa Rica's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	46.9%
2	Netherlands	5.3%
3	Guatemala	4.4%
46	Australia	0.1%

Costa Rica's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	46.1%
2	Japan	5.9%
3	Mexico	5.1%
53	Australia	0.1%

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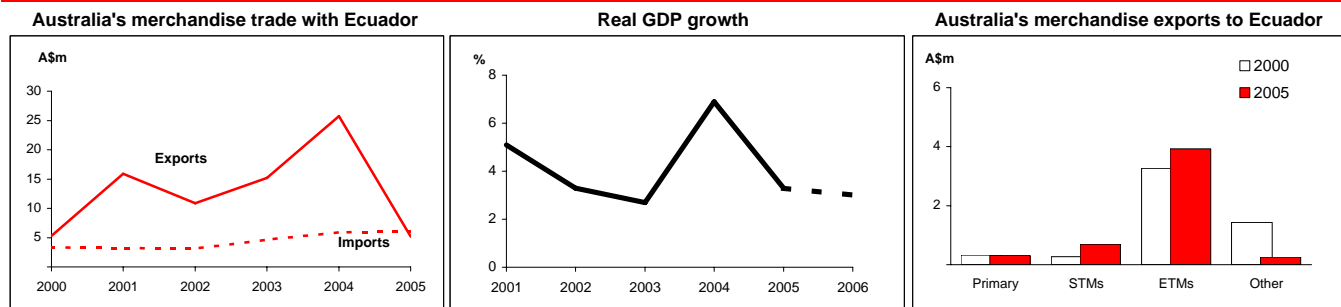
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Capital:	Quito	Head of State and Head of Government:
Surface area:	284 thousand sq km	H.E. President Mr Alfredo Palacio
Official language:	Spanish	
Population:	13.2 million (2005)	
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 18728 Sucres (Jan 2006)	

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	21.0	24.3	27.2	30.3	33.1	35.5
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	44.8	47.1	49.4	54.2	57.0	59.8
GDP per capita (US\$):	1,729	1,920	2,118	2,325	2,502	2,652
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	3,684	3,720	3,844	4,158	4,316	4,466
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	5.1	3.3	2.7	6.9	3.3	3.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-687	-1,201	-471	-346	-313	58
Current account balance (% GDP):	-3.3	-4.9	-1.7	-1.1	-0.9	0.2
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	26.7	24.0	23.8	26.5	29.1	29.8
Inflation (% change YOY):	37.7	12.6	7.9	2.7	2.4	3.4



Australia's trade relationship with Ecuador:

Australian merchandise trade with Ecuador, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Ecuador (A\$m):	5	0.0%	138th	-79.8%
Imports from Ecuador (A\$m):	6	0.0%	96th	3.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	11	0.0%	133rd	-64.3%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	1
Motor vehicle parts	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Cocoa	2
Animal feed	1
Fruit juices	1
Preserved fruit and preparations	1

Australia's trade in services with Ecuador, 2005:

Exports of services to Ecuador (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Ecuador (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Ecuador's global merchandise trade relationships:

Ecuador's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	42.9%
2	Panama	14.3%
3	Peru	7.9%
43	Australia	0.1%

Ecuador's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	16.5%
2	Colombia	14.1%
3	China	9.2%
38	Australia	0.2%

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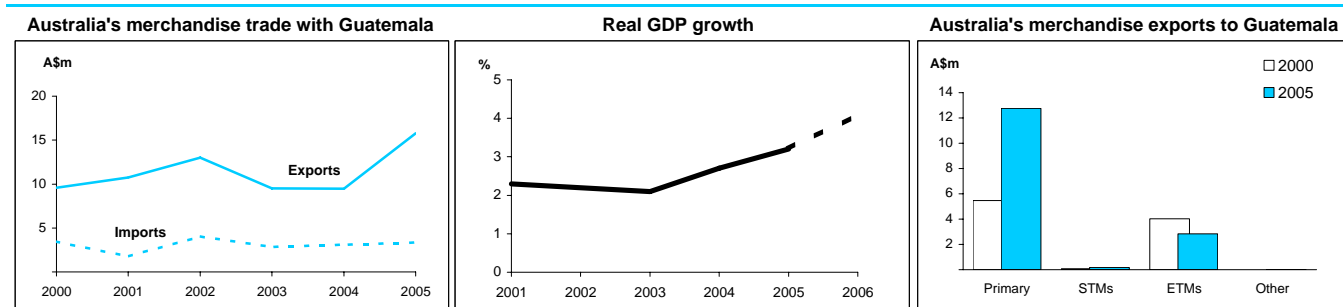
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Capital:	Guatemala	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	109 thousand sq km	H.E. President Lic Óscar José Rafael Berger Perdomo	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	12.6 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 =5.7099 Quetzales (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	21.0	23.3	24.7	26.0	27.4	29.1
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	47.1	49.0	51.1	53.9	57.0	60.0
GDP per capita (US\$):	1,700	1,835	1,897	1,941	1,995	2,065
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	3,808	3,860	3,920	4,028	4,155	4,266
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.7	3.2	4.1
Current account balance (US\$m):	-1,253	-1,235	-1,050	-1,142	-1,231	-1,231
Current account balance (% GDP):	-6.0	-5.3	-4.2	-4.4	-4.5	-4.2
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	18.8	17.1	16.8	17.0	n.a.	n.a.
Inflation (% change YOY):	7.3	8.1	5.6	7.6	9.1	6.9



Australia's trade relationship with Guatemala:

Australian merchandise trade with Guatemala, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Guatemala (A\$m):	16	0.0%	95th	66.5%
Imports from Guatemala (A\$m):	3	0.0%	114th	7.4%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	19	0.0%	104th	51.9%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Milk and cream	8
Cheese and curd	2
Measuring and controlling instruments	1
Butter	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Coffee and coffee substitutes	2
Oil seeds & oleaginous fruits 'soft'	1

Australia's trade in services with Guatemala, 2005:

Exports of services to Guatemala (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Guatemala (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Guatemala's global merchandise trade relationships:

Guatemala's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	53.0%
2	El Salvador	11.4%
3	Honduras	7.1%
50	Australia	0.0%

Guatemala's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	34.0%
2	Mexico	8.1%
3	Republic of Korea	6.8%
48	Australia	0.1%

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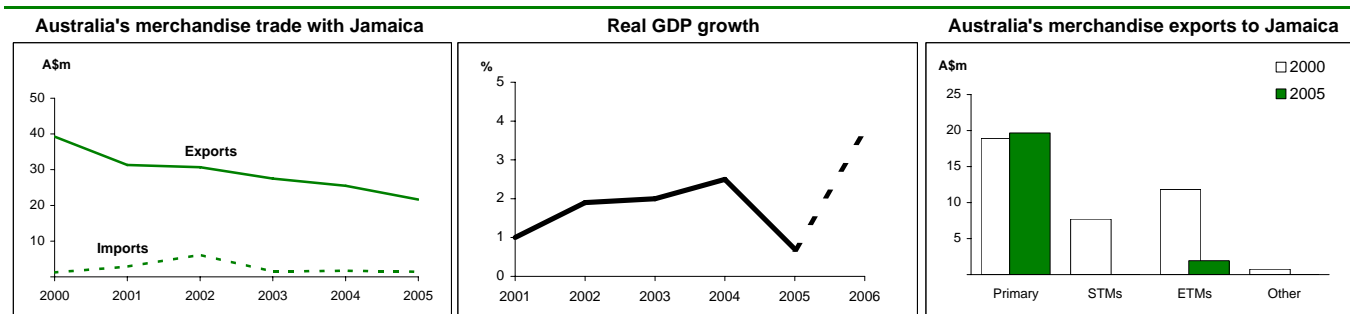
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Capital:	Kingston	Head of State:	H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, represented by the Governor-General H.E. The Most Hon Kenneth Octavius Hall
Surface area:	11 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	Prime Minister The Most Hon Portia Simpson Miller, ON, I
Official language:	English		
Population:	2.7 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = J\$47.8717 (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	8.0	7.4	8.0	8.7	9.7	10.8
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	9.9	10.3	10.7	11.3	11.7	12.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	3,047	2,810	3,003	3,238	3,583	3,929
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	3,795	3,902	4,026	4,195	4,293	4,502
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	1.0	1.9	2.0	2.5	0.7	3.7
Current account balance (US\$m):	-766	-1,129	-545	-532	-798	-1,378
Current account balance (% GDP):	-9.6	-15.2	-6.8	-6.1	-8.2	-12.8
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	42.0	43.4	44.0	44.7	n.a.	n.a.
Inflation (% change YOY):	8.0	6.5	12.9	12.8	16.5	11.3



Australia's trade relationship with Jamaica:

Australian merchandise trade with Jamaica, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Jamaica (A\$m):	22	0.0%	86th	-15.1%
Imports from Jamaica (A\$m):	1	0.0%	132nd	-15.9%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	23	0.0%	97th	-15.1%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Meat (excl. bovine)	15
Bovine meat	2
Milk and cream	1
Butter	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Alcoholic beverages	1
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Australia's trade in services with Jamaica, 2005:

Exports of services to Jamaica (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Jamaica (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Jamaica's global merchandise trade relationships:

Jamaica's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	17.4%
2	Canada	14.8%
3	France	13.0%
42	Australia	0.1%

Jamaica's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	35.7%
2	Trinidad and Tobago	13.2%
3	France	5.6%
21	Australia	0.5%

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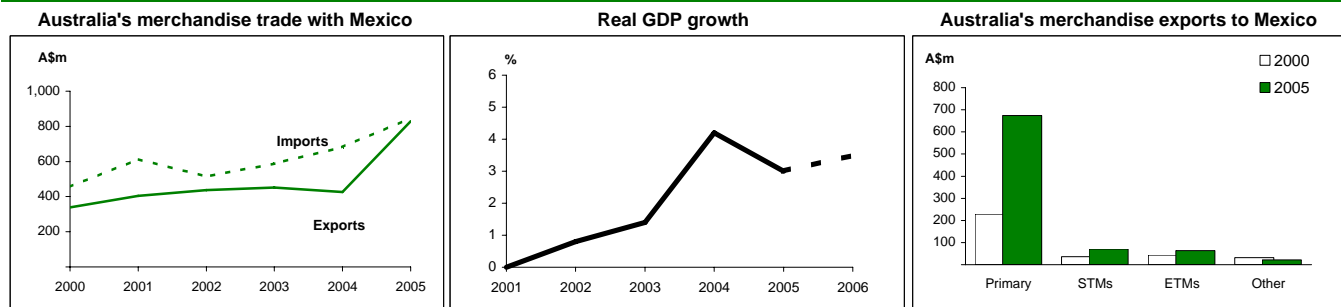
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Capital:	Mexico City	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	1,958 thousand sq km	H.E. President Mr Vicente Fox Quesada	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	106.2 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 7.9166 New Pesos (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	622.1	649.1	639.1	683.5	768.4	846.8
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	893.5	916.6	948.4	1,015.8	1,072.6	1,132.9
GDP per capita (US\$):	6,260	6,438	6,248	6,586	7,298	7,926
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	8,991	9,092	9,272	9,788	10,186	10,604
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	0.0	0.8	1.4	4.2	3.0	3.5
Current account balance (US\$m):	-17,645	-13,524	-8,621	-7,180	-5,708	-5,488
Current account balance (% GDP):	-2.8	-2.1	-1.3	-1.1	-0.7	-0.6
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	27.6	26.8	27.8	29.6	29.9	31.2
Inflation (% change YOY):	6.4	5.0	4.5	4.7	4.0	3.5



Australia's trade relationship with Mexico:

Australian merchandise trade with Mexico, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Mexico (A\$m):	830	0.6%	27th	94.3%
Imports from Mexico (A\$m):	847	0.5%	30th	24.1%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	1,676	0.6%	28th	51.1%

Major Australian merch. exports, 2005 (A\$m):		Major Australian merch. imports, 2005 (A\$m):	
Coal	518	Motor vehicle parts	93
Meat (excl. bovine)	49	Manufactures of base metals	85
Leather	42	Telecommunications equipment	82
Manganese ore and concentrates	30	Computers	66

Australia's trade in services with Mexico, 2005:		Total share:
Exports of services to Mexico (A\$m):	35	0.1%
Imports of services from Mexico (A\$m):	24	0.1%

Major Australian service exports, 2005 (A\$m):		Major Australian service imports, 2005 (A\$m):	
Education-related travel	20	Personal travel excl. education	18
Personal travel excl. education	8	Business travel	2

Mexico's global merchandise trade relationships:

Mexico's principal export destinations, 2004:			Mexico's principal import sources, 2004:		
1	United States	87.6%	1	United States	55.1%
2	Canada	1.8%	2	China	7.1%
3	Spain	1.1%	3	Japan	5.3%
22	Australia	0.2%	30	Australia	0.2%

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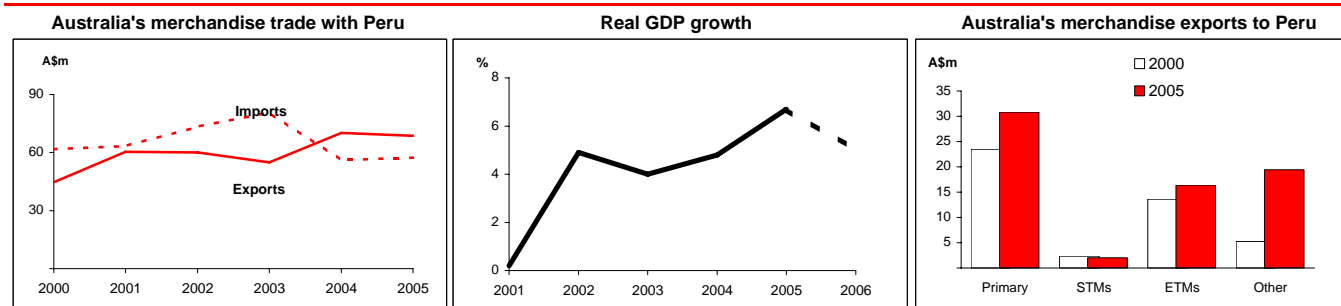
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Capital:	Lima	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	1,285 thousand sq km	H.E. President Dr Alejandro Toledo Manriquez	
Official languages:	Spanish, Quechua, Aymara		
Population:	27.9 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 2.5420 Nuevos Soles (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	53.7	56.5	60.8	68.6	78.6	85.1
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	126.9	135.5	143.7	154.6	167.2	178.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	2,037	2,114	2,239	2,492	2,812	3,000
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	4,816	5,065	5,293	5,611	5,983	6,289
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	0.2	4.9	4.0	4.8	6.7	5.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-1,268	-1,115	-986	-11	1,033	1,231
Current account balance (% GDP):	-2.4	-2.0	-1.6	0.0	1.3	1.4
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	16.0	16.5	17.7	20.9	24.5	26.2
Inflation (% change YOY):	2.0	0.2	2.3	3.7	1.6	2.7



Australia's trade relationship with Peru:

Australian merchandise trade with Peru, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Peru (A\$m):	69	0.0%	62nd	-2.1%
Imports from Peru (A\$m):	57	0.0%	59th	2.2%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	126	0.0%	64th	-0.2%

Major Australian merch. exports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Refined petroleum	20
Milk and cream	9
Toys, games & sporting goods	3
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	2

*Includes A\$19.3m of confidential items, 28% of total exports.

Major Australian merch. imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Zinc ores and concentrates	14
Animal feed	13
Preserved vegetables	7
Animal oils & fats	7

Australia's trade in services with Peru, 2005:

Exports of services to Peru (A\$m):	9	Total share:	0.0%
Imports of services from Peru (A\$m):	19		0.0%

Major Australian service exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Education-related travel	6
Personal travel excl. education	2

Major Australian service imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl. education	16
Business travel	1
Education-related travel	1

Peru's global merchandise trade relationships:

Peru's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	29.5%
2	China	9.9%
3	United Kingdom	9.0%
27	Australia	0.4%

Peru's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	30.3%
2	Spain	11.5%
3	Chile	7.2%
29	Australia	0.4%

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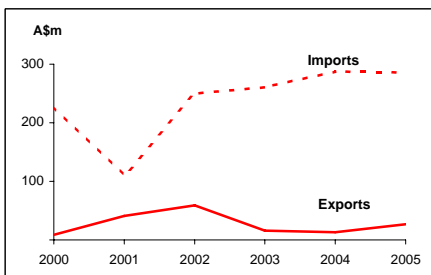
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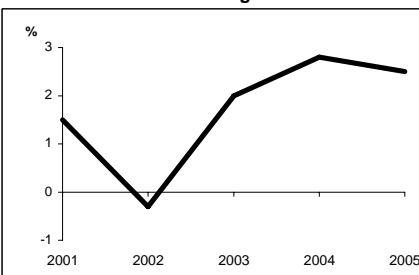
Capital	San Juan	Head of State:	
Surface area:	9 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	Elected Governor, Anibal Acevedo Vilá
Official languages:	English, Spanish		
Population:	3.9 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = US\$0.7491 (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GNP (US\$bn) (current prices) (c):	44.1	45.1	47.2	50.3	58.6	n.a.
GNP PPP (US\$bn) (c)(d):	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
GNP per capita (US\$) (c):	11,471	11,646	12,168	12,903	14,939	n.a.
GNP per capita PPP (US\$) (c)(d):	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Real GNP growth (% change YOY) (c):	1.5	-0.3	2.0	2.8	2.5	n.a.
Current account balance (US\$m):	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Current account balance (% GNP):	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Goods exports (% GNP):	106.5	104.7	116.9	109.5	96.6	n.a.
Inflation (% change YOY):	8.2	4.5	8.1	8.9	13.5	n.a.

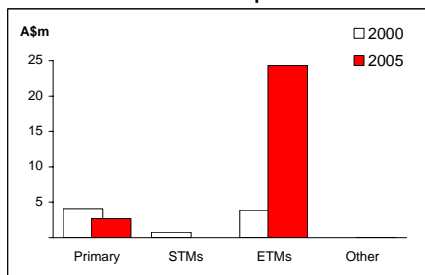
Australia's merchandise trade with Puerto Rico



Real GNP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Puerto Rico



Australia's trade relationship with Puerto Rico:

Australian merchandise trade with Puerto Rico, 2005:

Exports to Puerto Rico (A\$m):	27	Total share:	0.0%	Rank:	82nd	Growth (yoy):	102.5%
Imports from Puerto Rico (A\$m):	286		0.2%		40th		-0.7%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	313		0.1%		50th		3.9%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	18
Ships, boats & floating structures	3
Non-electrical machinery, tools	2
Bovine meat	2

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	118
Organo-inorganic compounds	95
Orthopaedic appliances; prostheses	19
Medical instruments	17

Australia's trade in services with Puerto Rico, 2005:

Exports of services to Puerto Rico (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Puerto Rico (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Puerto Rico's global merchandise trade relationships:

Puerto Rico's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	82.5%
2	Netherlands	3.2%
3	Belgium	2.3%
	Australia	n.a.

Puerto Rico's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	45.2%
2	Ireland	25.5%
3	Japan	4.2%
	Australia	n.a.

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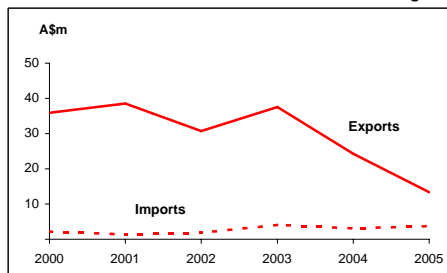
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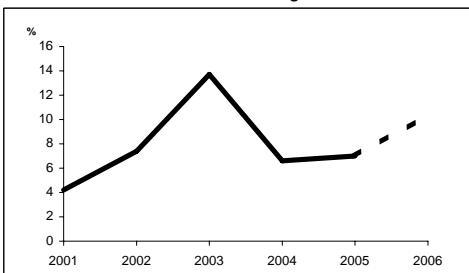
Capital:	Port-of-Spain	Head of State:	
Surface area:	5 thousand sq km	Head of Government:	H.E. President George Maxwell Richards TC CMT PhD
Official language:	English		
Population:	1.3 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = TT\$ 4.6975 (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	9.5	9.7	11.5	13.2	15.9	19.0
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	12.3	13.4	15.5	16.8	18.4	20.6
GDP per capita (US\$):	7,469	7,598	9,001	10,259	12,329	14,722
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	9,725	10,492	12,057	13,087	14,258	16,020
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	4.2	7.4	13.7	6.6	7.0	10.4
Current account balance (US\$m):	445	76	958	1,786	2,635	3,977
Current account balance (% GDP):	4.7	0.8	8.3	13.5	16.6	21.0
Goods exports (% GDP):	45.5	40.4	45.1	48.5	57.0	n.a.
Inflation (% change YOY):	5.5	4.2	3.8	3.8	6.9	7.8

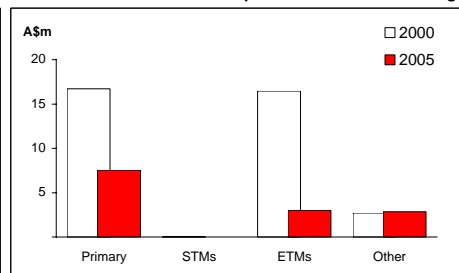
Australia's merchandise trade with Trinidad and Tobago



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Trinidad and Tobago



Australia's trade relationship with Trinidad and Tobago:

Australian merchandise trade with Trinidad and Tobago, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Trinidad and Tobago (A\$m):	13	0.0%	102nd	-44.9%
Imports from Trinidad and Tobago (A\$m):	4	0.0%	108th	21.8%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	17	0.0%	109th	-37.4%

Major Australian exports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Meat (excl. bovine)	5
Cheese and curd	2
Specialised machinery	1
Machine-tools for working metal	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Essential oils, perfumes & flavours	3
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*Includes A\$2.8m of confidential items and special transactions, 21% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Trinidad and Tobago, 2005:

		Total share:
Exports of services to Trinidad and Tobago (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.
Imports of services from Trinidad and Tobago (A\$m):	n.a.	n.a.

Trinidad and Tobago's global merchandise trade relationships:

Trinidad and Tobago's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	66.8%
2	Jamaica	5.7%
3	France	3.4%
52	Australia	0.0%

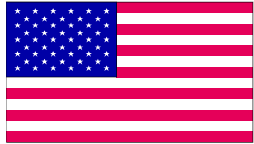
Trinidad and Tobago's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	23.8%
2	Venezuela	11.4%
3	Germany	10.1%
30	Australia	0.3%

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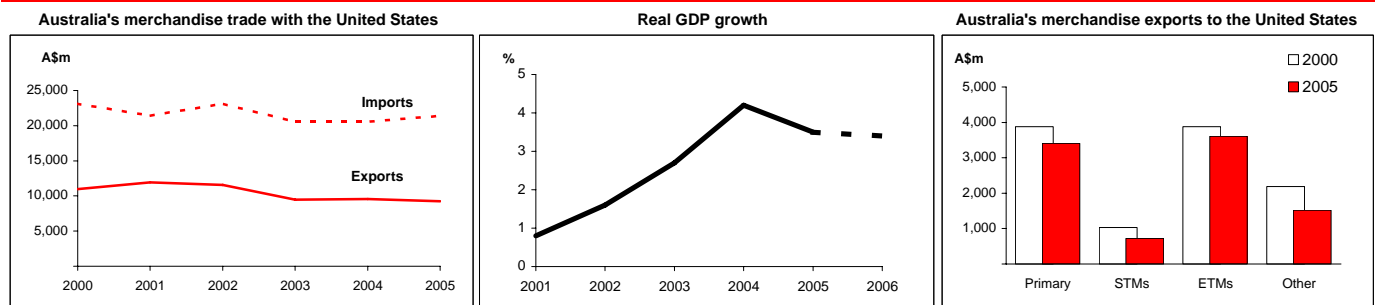
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Capital	Washington D.C.	Head of State and Head of Government:
Surface area:	9,364 thousand sq km	President The Hon. George W Bush
Official language:	English	
Population:	296.4 million (2005)	
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = US\$0.7491 (Jan 2006)	

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	10,128.0	10,469.6	10,971.3	11,734.3	12,485.7	13,228.4
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	9,985.8	10,322.6	10,817.2	11,569.5	12,277.6	12,939.3
GDP per capita (US\$):	35,506	36,336	37,702	39,938	42,101	44,168
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	35,007	35,826	37,173	39,377	41,399	43,203
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	0.8	1.6	2.7	4.2	3.5	3.4
Current account balance (US\$m):	-389,455	-475,204	-519,678	-668,082	-804,951	-864,189
Current account balance (% GDP):	-3.8	-4.5	-4.7	-5.7	-6.4	-6.5
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	10.2	9.6	9.5	10.0	10.4	10.8
Inflation (% change YOY):	2.8	1.6	2.3	2.7	3.4	3.2



Australia's trade relationship with the United States:

Australian merchandise trade with the United States, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to the United States (A\$m):	9,260	6.7%	4th	-3.0%
Imports from the United States (A\$m):	21,404	13.7%	1st	4.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	30,664	10.4%	3rd	2.0%

Major Australian merch. exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Bovine meat	1,208
Alcoholic beverages	907
Meat (excl. bovine)	421
Passenger motor vehicles	368

Major Australian merch. imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Aircraft & parts	1,572
Measuring and controlling instruments	813
Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	773
Telecommunications equipment	728

Australia's trade in services with the United States, 2005:

Exports of services to the United States (A\$m):	4,431	Total share: 11.9%
Imports of services from the United States (A\$m):	6,489	16.9%

Major Australian service exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Other business services	954
Personal travel excl. education	824

Major Australian service imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Personal travel excl. education	1,576
Royalties & license fees	1,236

United States' global merchandise trade relationships:

United States' principal export destinations, 2005:

1	Canada	23.4%
2	Mexico	13.3%
3	Japan	6.1%
14	Australia	1.7%

United States' principal import sources, 2005:

1	Canada	17.2%
2	China	14.6%
3	Mexico	10.2%
35	Australia	0.4%

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URUGUAY

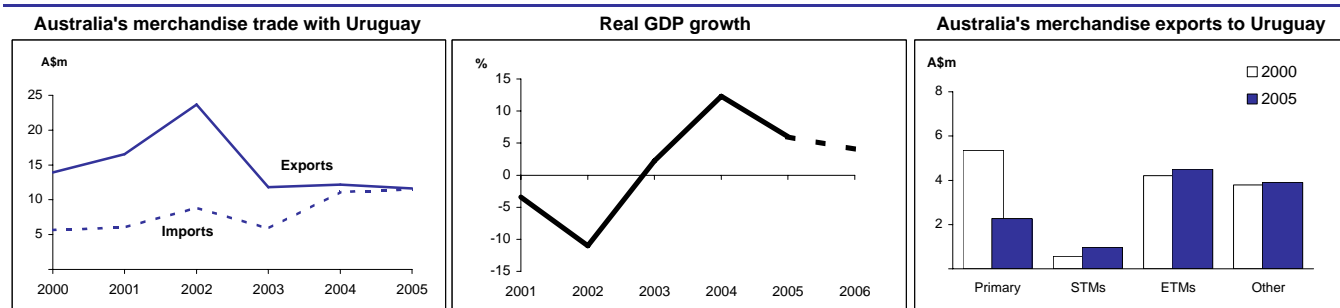
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Capital:	Montevideo	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	176 thousand sq km	H.E. President Dr Tabaré Vázquez	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	3.3 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 18.1173 Pesos (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	18.6	12.1	11.2	13.3	15.9	17.4
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	29.0	26.3	27.4	31.6	34.3	36.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	5,555	3,597	3,317	3,901	4,656	5,055
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	8,687	7,818	8,104	9,282	10,028	10,580
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	-3.4	-11.0	2.2	12.3	6.0	4.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	-533	382	-56	-93	-382	-1,009
Current account balance (% GDP):	-2.9	3.2	-0.5	-0.7	-2.4	-5.8
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	17.6	22.1	27.5	30.2	na	na
Inflation (% change YOY):	4.4	25.9	10.2	7.6	5.9	5.5



Australia's trade relationship with Uruguay:

Australian merchandise trade with Uruguay, 2005:		Total share:	Rank:	Growth (yoy):
Exports to Uruguay (A\$m):	12	0.0%	109th	-4.5%
Imports from Uruguay (A\$m):	11	0.0%	81st	3.3%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	23	0.0%	96th	-0.8%

Major Australian exports*, 2005 (A\$m):

Ships, boats & floating structures	2
Non-electrical machinery, tools	1
Wool	1
Leather	1

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Food preparations	8
Fish, fresh, chilled or frozen	1
Prepared seafood	1

*Includes A\$3.9m of confidential items and special transactions, 33% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Uruguay, 2005:

Exports of services to Uruguay (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Uruguay (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Uruguay's global merchandise trade relationships:

Uruguay's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	20.5%
2	Brazil	16.6%
3	Argentina	7.6%
58	Australia	0.1%

Uruguay's principal import sources, 2004:

1	Argentina	22.0%
2	Brazil	21.7%
3	Russian Federation	11.0%
26	Australia	0.3%

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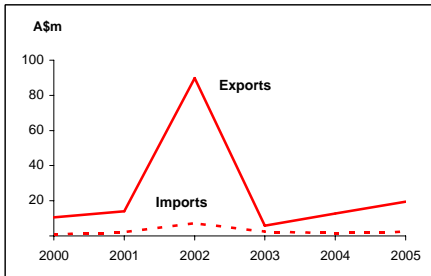
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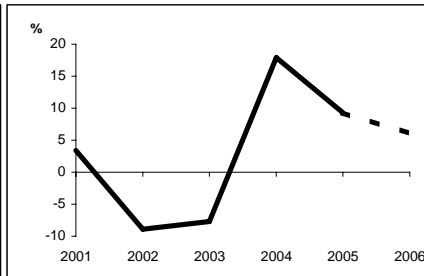
Capital:	Caracas	Head of State and Head of Government:	
Surface area:	912 thousand sq km	H.E. President Mr Hugo Rafael Chávez Frías	
Official language:	Spanish		
Population:	26.5 million (2005)		
Exchange rate:	A\$1 = 1608.4 Bolivares (Jan 2006)		

<i>Recent economic indicators:</i>	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005(a)	2006(b)
GDP (US\$bn) (current prices):	122.9	92.9	83.4	110.1	132.8	156.5
GDP PPP (US\$bn) (c):	140.1	129.9	122.3	147.9	163.5	174.4
GDP per capita (US\$):	5,032	3,729	3,285	4,249	5,026	5,804
GDP per capita PPP (US\$) (c):	5,735	5,214	4,815	5,709	6,186	6,467
Real GDP growth (% change YOY):	3.4	-8.9	-7.7	17.9	9.3	6.0
Current account balance (US\$m):	1,983	7,599	11,448	13,765	25,401	21,990
Current account balance (% GDP):	1.6	8.2	13.7	12.5	19.1	14.1
Goods & services exports (% GDP):	22.7	30.4	33.8	36.2	41.0	38.3
Inflation (% change YOY):	12.5	22.4	31.1	21.7	15.9	11.7

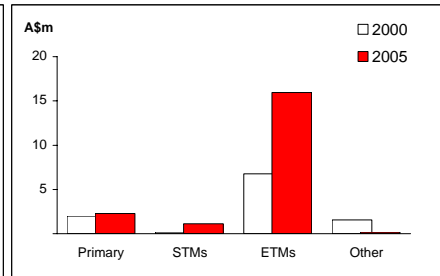
Australia's merchandise trade with Venezuela



Real GDP growth



Australia's merchandise exports to Venezuela



Australia's trade relationship with Venezuela:

Australian merchandise trade with Venezuela, 2005:

Exports to Venezuela (A\$m):	20	Total share:	0.0%	Rank:	89th	Growth (yoy):	52.4%
Imports from Venezuela (A\$m):	2		0.0%		124th		44.7%
Total trade (exports + imports) (A\$m):	22		0.0%		98th		51.5%

Major Australian exports, 2005 (A\$m):

Medicaments (incl. veterinary)	3
Toys, games & sporting goods	2
Ships, boats & floating structures	2
Crude minerals	2

Major Australian imports, 2005 (A\$m):

Rubber tyres	1
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Australia's trade in services with Venezuela, 2005:

Exports of services to Venezuela (A\$m):	n.a.	Total share:	n.a.
Imports of services from Venezuela (A\$m):	n.a.		n.a.

Venezuela's global merchandise trade relationships:

Venezuela's principal export destinations, 2004:

1	United States	55.0%
2	Netherlands Antilles	4.7%
3	Dominican Republic	2.8%
82	Australia	0.0%

Venezuela's principal import sources, 2004:

1	United States	32.5%
2	Colombia	6.1%
3	Brazil	5.4%
50	Australia	0.1%

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Section 3: Technical appendices

Appendix A Explanatory notes

Introduction

Australia's Trade with the Americas provides an annual update bringing together the latest trends in Australia's trade with the Americas.

- Section 1 contains summary statistics on Australia's trade in goods and services with the Americas.
- Section 2 provides 'one-page' country fact sheets showing the major economic indicators of the top 20 trading partners in the Americas and outlines Australia's significance as a trading partner for each country.
- Section 3 contains statistics on Australia's trade in goods by level of processing with the Americas and Australia's top 20 export and import commodities for the Americas and Australia's four major trading partners within the Americas (Brazil, Canada, Mexico and the United States).

Data sources

The statistics used to compile this appendix are derived from data produced by:

ABS – Cat. No 5368.0.55 *International Trade in Goods and Services, Australia - Regional services data*

DFAT – ABS data on STARS database (January 2005); and

IMF – *International Financial Statistics*.

Confidential data

To avoid divulging commercially-sensitive details of individual firms, the ABS restricts release of statistics on certain commodities. It is worth noting that commodities are sometimes added to the confidential list, eg. as unwrought nickel alloys was in February 2003. In such cases the value shown for trade in aggregates containing these items will show a decrease.

In regard to services trade data for the Americas in table 9, the ABS has had to combine a number of individual America's countries *Transportation services* data with their *Other services* data, so as not to divulge commercially sensitive data. As a result the data as published for *Transportation* and *Other services* in table 9 will either be understated (as for *Transportation services*) or overstated (as for *Other services*) for certain years. However, the total exports and imports of services with the Americas is not affected. The

following list, specifies the individual countries (and periods) for which their *Transportation services* data has been added to their *Other services* data.

For exports:

- Chile – 2003 to 2005
- Mexico – 2004 to 2005
- Central America & Caribbean (excl. Mexico) – 2003
- America not elsewhere specified (Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Falkland Is., French Guiana, Guyana, Paraguay, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela) - 2003 to 2005.

For imports:

- Chile – 2004 to 2005
- Canada – 2004 to 2005
- America not elsewhere specified – 2003 to 2005

For more information concerning confidential related issues used by the ABS in the compilation of these statistics you can refer to the ABS website at <http://www.abs.gov.au> under Themes – International Trade – Confidentiality

Commodity classification

Balance of payments

In Australia's Balance of Payments, trade in goods and services are compiled on a balance of payments basis in accordance with the latest international standards determined by the IMF, and published in *Balance of Payments Manual, fifth edition, 1993* (BPM5).

The balance of payments basis can differ from a recorded trade basis in terms of coverage, valuation and timing. Goods and services trade are based on market price for both credit (export) and debit (import) entries. The timing of these transactions is based on change of ownership of the good or service between residents and the non-resident. However, in the case of goods the majority of goods trade is based on timing and valuation as recorded in Australian Customs statistics for practical purposes of data collection.

Balance of payments – services

Australia's Balance of Payments defines services as comprising services provided between Australian residents and non-residents, together with some transactions in goods where, by international agreement, it is not practical to separate the goods

and services components (e.g. goods purchased by travellers are classified to services).

Services data is based on the UN publication *Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services, 2002*. For Canada and the United States, services commodities are broken down into eleven major groups: Transportation; Travel; Communication; Construction; Insurance; Financial; Computer and information; Royalties and licence fees; Other business; Personal, cultural and recreational; and Government services.

For more information concerning the definitions and classifications used by the ABS in the compilation of Balance of Payments statistics, please refer to the ABS publication: *Balance of Payments and International Investment Position, Australia, Concepts Sources and Methods 1998* (Cat. No.5331.0).

Recorded trade – goods (merchandise trade)

The data on merchandise trade in this publication are measured on a recorded trade basis, based upon quantities and values of goods measured as they cross the Australian Customs frontier. They can differ from data presented under the balance of payments basis in terms of coverage, valuation and timing.

In this publication, trade is disaggregated by two classifications: the merchandise Trade Exports Classification (TREC); and the Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3 (SITC R3).

TREC was developed by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to group exports according to their level of processing. The broad levels of the TREC are: primary products; manufactures, divided into simply transformed (STM) and elaborately transformed; (ETM) and other goods (mainly gold and confidential items).

ETM are effectively defined as those products with unique features which permit their identification as differentiated products on world markets (i.e. 'finished goods') and comprise the major component of world manufactures trade.

More detailed statistics of exports classified by TREC are presented in our publication *Exports of Primary and Manufactured Products*. The latest edition is for calendar year 2005.

Data in this publication which have been classified according to SITC R3 are shown at the Group (3 digit) level. There are 270 categories at this level.

Merchandise trade statistics are valued as:

Exports: Valued at the free-on-board (f.o.b.) at the Australian port-of-shipment. Charges for distributive services provided beyond the customs frontier are not included (e.g. international freight and insurance charges).

Imports: Valued at the Australian Customs Value for Australian data. This is based on the price actually paid, provided the buyer and seller are independent, on an f.o.b. basis, i.e. charges and expenses involved in delivering the goods from the place of exportation to Australia are excluded.

For more information concerning the definitions and classifications used by the ABS in the compilation of international trade statistics, please refer to the ABS publication: *International Merchandise Trade, Australia, Concepts Sources and Methods 2001* (Cat. No. 5489.0).

Country

For exports, 'country' refers to the final destination as reported by exporters. It is known, however, that exporters may not know the country of final destination of their goods at the time they are shipped. This applies particularly to goods directed through entrepôts such as Singapore, Hong Kong, and major European ports, with a consequent overstating of Australia's exports to these countries and corresponding understatement of exports to countries 'down stream' from them. For imports, 'country' refers to the country of origin of the goods, which is defined as the country of production for Customs purposes.

Trend growth rates

Trend growth rates have been derived by log-linear regression using the least squares method. This is a more robust measure than the average compound annual growth as it takes into account all observations in this period, and is not unduly influenced by exceptional values, particularly at the end points.

Total trade

Total trade is the sum of exports and imports. This is a useful measurement of the overall trading relationship between Australia and its trading partners. Total trade data is useful in ranking Australia's major trading partners, without a bias towards ranking only the larger export markets, or the larger import sources.

This publication was compiled mainly by Julie-Anne Andrew and Frank Bingham.

If you want to know more about these statistics or about other trade and economic publications produced by Trade Analysis Branch, please contact Frank Bingham on telephone (02) 6261 2271, facsimile (02) 6261 3321, or by email to StatsSection@dfat.gov.au.

Appendix B

Composition of regions and country groups

APEC	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Russian Federation, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, United States, Vietnam.
AMERICAS	<i>Caribbean, Central America, North America, South America.</i>
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations Brunei, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam.
ASIA	<i>ASEAN, Middle East, North Asia, South Asia.</i>
CARIBBEAN	Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, Cayman Is., Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, French Antilles, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles (incl. Leeward Is. and Windward Is.), Puerto Rico, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos Is., UK Virgin Is, US Virgin Is.
CENTRAL AMERICA	Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama.
CENTRAL EUROPE	Albania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republics, <i>Yugoslavia (former).</i>
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
EAST ASIA	<i>ASEAN, North Asia.</i>
EAST EUROPE	Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, <i>Commonwealth of Independent States</i> , Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Serbia & Montenegro, Slovenia.
EFTA	European Free Trade Association Iceland, Norway, Switzerland
EU 25	European Union 25 Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom.
LATIN AMERICA	<i>Central America, South America.</i>
MIDDLE EAST	Bahrain, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Yemen.
NORTH AMERICA	Canada, Puerto Rico, United States, US Virgin Islands.
NORTH ASIA	China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea Rep., Korea Dem. PR, Macau, Taiwan, Mongolia.
SOUTH AMERICA	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Falkland Is., French Guiana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela.
SOUTH ASIA	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka.
SOUTH-EAST ASIA	<i>ASEAN.</i>
WEST EUROPE	<i>EFTA</i> , Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, UK.
YUGOSLAVIA (former)	Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Slovenia.

Appendix C Abbreviations and symbols

-	zero or less than half the unit shown
\$b	\$ billion
\$m	\$ million
ABARE	Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics
ADP	automatic data processing
alum	aluminium
BOP	Balance of Payments
chem	chemical
conc	concentrates
confid	confidential
Curr Acc	Current Account
elec	electric, electrical
equip	equipment
ETM	Elaborately Transformed Manufactures
excl	excluding
f.c.f.	fresh, chilled or frozen
incl	including
instr	instruments
IIP	International Investment Position
IPD	implicit price deflator
mach	machinery, machines
manuf	manufactured, manufactures
misc	miscellaneous
mmf	man-made fibres
na	not available
nei	not elsewhere indicated
nie	not indicated elsewhere
nes	not elsewhere specified
nm	not meaningful
np	not publishable
pharm	pharmaceutical
photo	photographic
prec	precious
prep	preparations, prepared
pres	preserved
prod	products
STM	Simply Transformed Manufactures
telecom	telecommunications
unmanuf	unmanufactured

Appendix D Confidential exports

The system used by the ABS for confidentialising foreign trade statistics is designed to maximise the release of data, without divulging details of any single firm's operations. A complex range of confidentiality provisions are applied to the data. Those of most relevance in this publication are:

- A. No details** No data for a particular commodity item is separately released. For example, the total value of non-industrial diamonds exports is only included in the confidential item dump code of 988 for all countries and world total.
- B. No country details** Total exports of a particular commodity are available, but not for individual countries. For example, the value of liquefied natural gas exports to each country is suppressed, but the world total is available.
- C. Selected country details** Exports of a particular commodity to some countries are suppressed, but the value of exports to other countries, and the world total is available.

The following table lists details of confidential commodity items where exports are substantial:

Commodity Code	Description	Restriction Type	Period
054.24	Dried shelled lentils	B	From Jul 1999
041.1	Unmilled durum wheat	B, C	from Jul 1988
041.2	Unmilled wheat and meslin	B, C	from Dec 1991
042	Rice (selected varieties)	A, B	Various
043	Unmilled barley	B	Various
045.2	Unmilled oats	B, C	from July 1993
061.11	Sugar (raw cane)	A	from Jan 1998
211.11	Fresh or wet salted raw hides	B, C	Various
211.2	Whole hides/skins of bovine animals	B, C	from May 2002
246.15	Non-coniferous woodchips or particles	C	from Jun 2000
278.3	Salt	B, C	from Aug 1993
284.21	Nickel mattes	A	from July 1988
285.1	Aluminium ores and concentrates	A	from July 1988
285.2	Alumina (aluminium oxide)	B*	from July 1988
286.1	Uranium ores	B	from May 1989
287.83	Titanium ores and conc (e.g. rutile)	B, C	Various
321.21	Bituminous coal, not agglomerated	C	Various
343.1	Liquefied natural gas	B	from Aug 1995
421.21	Crude cotton seed oil	A	from Oct 1988
667.12	Unworked cultured pearls	B	from May 1995
667.22	Sorted diamonds, non-industrial	A	from July 1988
672.62	Semi-finished prod. of iron/non-alloy steel	A	from Sep 2000
683	Nickel (selected items)	A, B	from July 1988
764.32	Radio or TV transmission apparatus	B	from Aug 1998

* Special case. See "Confidentiality" section in Explanatory notes.

For more details on the confidentiality of foreign trade statistics, please see the Australian Bureau of Statistics website at <http://www.ausstats.abs.gov.au> under Themes – International Trade – Confidentiality.

