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# THE NETHERLANDS



## General information

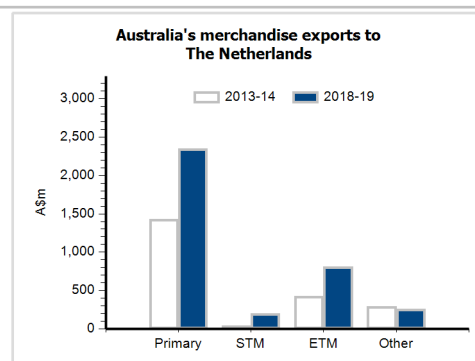
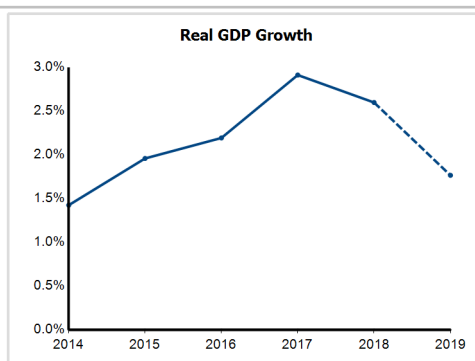
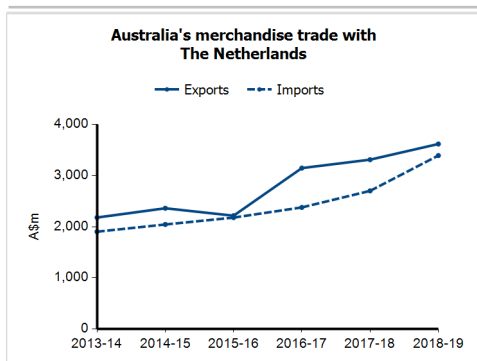
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|------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Capital:</b>              | Amsterdam           |
| <b>Land area:</b>            | 33,720 sq km        |
| <b>Official language(s):</b> | Dutch               |
| <b>Population:</b>           | 17.2 million (2018) |
| <b>Currency:</b>             | Euro                |

|                                 |
|---------------------------------|
| <b>Head of State</b>            |
| HM King Willem-Alexander        |
| <b>Head of Government</b>       |
| Prime Minister HE Mr Mark Rutte |

## Economic indicators (a)

|  | 2014     | 2015     | 2016     | 2017     | 2018     | 2019     |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>GDP (US\$b) (current prices)</b>    | 892.4    | 765.7    | 783.8    | 833.6    | 914.5    | 902.4    |
| <b>GDP per capita (US\$)</b>           | 53,026.5 | 45,302.8 | 46,165.2 | 48,799.9 | 53,228.3 | 52,367.8 |
| <b>GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)</b>             | 828.0    | 853.0    | 880.8    | 923.5    | 970.5    | 1,005.3  |
| <b>GDP per capita PPP (Int'l \$)</b>   | 49,201.7 | 50,473.3 | 51,873.0 | 54,062.3 | 56,488.6 | 58,340.7 |
| <b>Real GDP growth (% change yoy)</b>  | 1.4      | 2.0      | 2.2      | 2.9      | 2.6      | 1.8      |
| <b>Current account balance (US\$b)</b> | 72.9     | 48.2     | 63.2     | 90.2     | 99.5     | 88.9     |
| <b>Current account balance (% GDP)</b> | 8.2      | 6.3      | 8.1      | 10.8     | 10.9     | 9.8      |
| <b>Inflation (% change yoy)</b>        | 0.3      | 0.2      | 0.1      | 1.3      | 1.6      | 2.5      |
| <b>Unemployment (% labour force)</b>   | 7.4      | 6.9      | 6.0      | 4.9      | 3.8      | 3.3      |



## Australia's trade and investment relationship with The Netherlands (b)

| Australian merchandise trade with The Netherlands, 2018-19 (A\$m) | Total share | Rank | Growth (yoy) |
|---|-------------|------|--------------|
| Exports to The Netherlands  | 1.0%        | 16th | 9.3%         |
| Imports from The Netherlands                                      | 1.1%        | 20th | 25.6%        |
| Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)                       | 1.0%        | 19th | 16.6%        |

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

|                                       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Coal                                  | 1,832 |
| Medical instruments (incl veterinary) | 341   |
| Other non-ferrous metals              | 161   |
| Beef, f.c.f.                          | 101   |

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

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Refined petroleum                   | 685 |
| Road motor vehicles, nes            | 139 |
| Coffee & substitutes                | 135 |
| Edible products & preparations, nes | 130 |

### Australia's trade in services with The Netherlands, 2018-19 (A\$m)

|  | Total share | Rank | Growth (yoy) |
|--|-------------|------|--------------|
| Exports of services to The Netherlands   | 0.8%        | 24th | 47.4%        |
| Imports of services from The Netherlands | 0.9%        | 22nd | -11.0%       |

### Major Australian services exports, 2018-19 (A\$m)

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Professional, technical & other business | 288 |
| Personal travel excluding education      | 242 |

### Major Australian services imports, 2018-19 (A\$m)

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Professional, technical & other business | 357 |
| Transport                                | 131 |

### Australia's investment relationship with The Netherlands, 2018 (A\$m)

|   | Total  | FDI    |
|---|--------|--------|
| Australia's investment in The Netherlands | 45,860 | 7,709  |
| The Netherlands' investment in Australia  | 81,491 | 49,262 |

## The Netherlands' global merchandise trade relationships

### The Netherlands' principal export destinations, 2018

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| 1 Germany    | 22.7% |
| 2 Belgium    | 10.7% |
| 3 France     | 8.3%  |
| 31 Australia | 0.5%  |

### The Netherlands' principal import sources, 2018

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| 1 China      | 15.5% |
| 2 Germany    | 14.6% |
| 3 Belgium    | 8.1%  |
| 41 Australia | 0.4%  |

Compiled by the Statistics Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources

(a) Economic indicators data is from the IMF WEO where available, the EIU or other reputable source. Data may include forecasts or projections for recent years. GNI may be shown in lieu of GDP for countries where GDP data is unavailable.  
(b) Merchandise trade data is based on published and unpublished ABS data. May exclude confidential items of trade. Totals may not add up due to rounding. Investment data is stocks as at end December.

All data may be subject to future revisions.

GDP - Gross Domestic Product PPP - Purchasing power parity GNI - Gross National Income na - Data is not available np - Data is not published .. - Data is not meaningful Primary - Primary goods STM - Simply transformed manufactures  
ETM - Elaborately transformed manufactures Other - Other goods including non-monetary gold f.c.f. - Fresh, chilled or frozen nes - Not elsewhere specified