



# KAZAKHSTAN

Fact Sheet

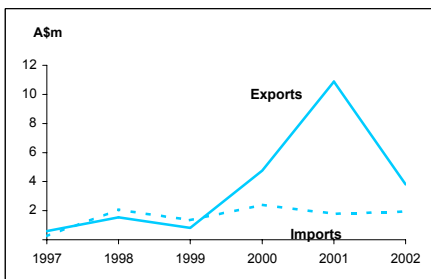
## General information:

|                           |                                 |                            |   |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Capital:</b>           | Astana                          | <b>Head of State:</b>      | H.E. President Mr Nursultan Nazarbayev        |
| <b>Surface area:</b>      | 2,717 thousand sq km            |                            |   |
| <b>Official language:</b> | Kazakh                          |                            |   |
| <b>Population:</b>        | 14.8 million (2002)             | <b>Head of Government:</b> | H.E. Prime Minister Mr Imangali Tasmagambetov |
| <b>Exchange rate:</b>     | A\$1 = 87.3411 Tenge (Dec 2002) |                            |   |

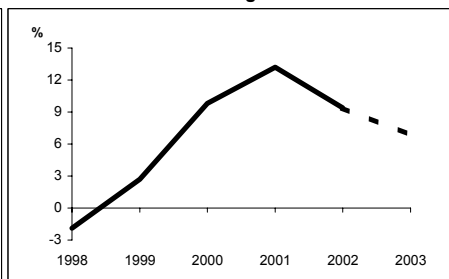
## Recent economic indicators:

|  | 1998   | 1999  | 2000  | 2001   | 2002(a) | 2003(b) |
|--|--------|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| <b>GDP (US\$bn):</b>                         | 22.3   | 16.9  | 18.3  | 22.4   | 24.8    | 27.8    |
| <b>GDP per capita (US\$):</b>                | 1,492  | 1,133 | 1,232 | 1,511  | 1,675   | 1,880   |
| <b>Real GDP growth (% change YOY):</b>       | -1.9   | 2.7   | 9.8   | 13.2   | 9.4     | 6.8     |
| <b>Current account balance (US\$m):</b>      | -1,225 | -171  | 676   | -1,240 | -283    | 432     |
| <b>Current account balance (% GDP):</b>      | -5.5   | -1.0  | 3.7   | -5.5   | -1.1    | 1.6     |
| <b>Goods &amp; services exports (% GDP):</b> | 30.1   | 42.5  | 58.8  | 78.6   | 81.3    | 84.5    |
| <b>Inflation (% change YOY):</b>             | 7.3    | 8.4   | 13.4  | 8.4    | 6.0     | 6.4     |
| <b>Unemployment rate (%):</b>                | 3.9    | 3.9   | 14.0  | 2.9    | 8.8     | 8.6     |

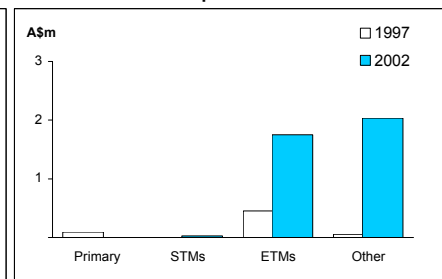
Australia's trade with Kazakhstan



Real GDP growth



Australia's exports to Kazakhstan



## Australia's trade relationship with Kazakhstan:

### Major Australian exports, 2002 (A\$'000):

|                              |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Telecommunications equipment | 926 |
| Civil engineering equipment  | 460 |
| Computer parts               | 89  |
| Computers                    | 67  |
| Other electrical machinery   | 37  |

### Major Australian imports, 2002 (A\$'000):

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Pig iron                    | 993 |
| Dyeing & tanning extracts   | 320 |
| Inorganic chemical elements | 239 |
| Copper                      | 112 |
| Other inorganic chemicals   | 26  |

### Australian merchandise trade with Kazakhstan, 2002:

|  |       | <b>Total share:</b> | <b>Rank:</b> | <b>Growth (yoy):</b> |
|--|-------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Exports to Kazakhstan (A\$'000):                     | 3,814 | 0.0%                | 140th        | -65.0%               |
| Imports from Kazakhstan (A\$'000):                   | 1,932 | 0.0%                | 118th        | 8.6%                 |
| Total Trade (exports + imports) (A\$'000):           | 5,746 | 0.0%                | 147th        | -54.6%               |
| Merchandise trade surplus with Kazakhstan (A\$'000): | 1,882 |                     |              |                      |

### Australia's trade in services with Kazakhstan, 2002:

|  |      | <b>Total share:</b> |
|--|------|---------------------|
| Exports of services to Kazakhstan (A\$m):      | n.a. | n.a.                |
| Imports of services from Kazakhstan (A\$m):    | n.a. | n.a.                |
| Services trade balance with Kazakhstan (A\$m): | n.a. |                     |

## Kazakhstan's global trade relationships:

### Kazakhstan's principal export destinations, 2001:

|    |             |       |
|----|-------------|-------|
| 1  | Russia      | 13.3% |
| 2  | Bermuda     | 12.0% |
| 3  | Germany     | 7.6%  |
| 4  | China       | 6.9%  |
| 5  | Switzerland | 4.1%  |
| 72 | Australia   | 0.0%  |

### Kazakhstan's principal import sources, 2001:

|    |               |       |
|----|---------------|-------|
| 1  | Russia        | 30.5% |
| 2  | Germany       | 5.9%  |
| 3  | China         | 3.3%  |
| 4  | Italy         | 2.8%  |
| 5  | United States | 2.0%  |
| 48 | Australia     | 0.1%  |

Compiled by the Market Information and Analysis Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources.

(a): all recent data subject to revision; (b): EIU forecast.

n.a. Data not available.

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