



COUNTRY GUIDE AUSTRALIA

Known as the southern land, Australia is the 13th-largest economy in the world. Its economy has grown steadily for the past two decades due to low unemployment, low public debt and inflation, robust exports, a strong service sector, and a stable financial system. With a highly skilled workforce and developed business infrastructure, Australia remains an attractive investment destination.



PRIVATE EQUITY

According to the Australian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association, the country's Private Equity industry has experienced strong performance in recent years due to robust domestic investment and increased interest from large international funds based in U.S., Europe, and Asia.

CAPITAL MARKETS

Australia has become a major center of capital markets activity in the Asia-Pacific region due to the amount of assets managed and the highly skilled professionals managing them. It is the 7th largest liquid stock market in the world, and houses four of the world's nine banks rated AA or above by S&P.

HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY

Biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, medical practice and pathology operators, as well as junior life sciences and medical device companies make up Australia's diverse healthcare industry. With almost 450 biotechnology companies, Australia is the leading location for biotechnology companies in the Asia-Pacific region.

TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Trade plays a vital role in Australia's continued economic success and its government is pursuing key agreements to further solidify its position in international trade. Exports have grown steadily in recent years and foreign investment is at record levels, demonstrating that Australian exporters are navigating challenging global economic conditions and foreign investors are confident about investing in the country.

+	Geography * * * *	Location: Australia is located between the Indian ocean and the South Pacific ocean, southeast of the Asian continent. Area: 7.7 million sq. km. Time zone: Australia's mainland observes five official time zones: UTC+8, UTC+8:45, UTC+9:30, UTC+10, and UTC+10:30. There
		are three additional time zones used by its dependencies.
2	Population	25.5 million
	Language(s)	English
(B)	Economy	Main drivers of Australia's economy are Service, Tourism, Healthcare, Media, and Finance, among others.
*	Capital City	Canberra
	Currency	Australian Dollar (AUD)
A	Political structure	Stable

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Legal system

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the English model

Common law system based on

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 - Memorandum of Association
 - Chamber of Commerce Extract
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- Board changes
- Company searches
- Incorporations
- ☐ Liquidation of entities
- Process agent appointments
- Translation services

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