

AUSTRALIA'S TRADING PARTNERS

Australia is connected to many countries around the world through trade. Using the blank map on the next page, find and highlight/colour in the countries that are the top 15 sources of imports to Australia.

In 2015-16, the top 15 sources of imports to Australia were: ¹

Rank	Country	Rank	Country	Rank	Country
1	China	6	United Kingdom	11	Indonesia
2	United States	7	Republic of Korea	12	Italy
3	Japan	8	Singapore	13	France
4	Thailand	9	New Zealand	14	India
5	Germany	10	Malaysia	15	Vietnam

When you have finished colouring and labelling your map, answer the following questions:

1. Which regions do most of Australia's imports come from? Which regions does Australia receive the least imports from? What might explain this pattern?

2. In 2015-16, the top 15 destination countries for Australian exports of goods and services were:²

Rank	Country	Rank	Country	Rank	Country
1	China	6	New Zealand	11	Malaysia
2	Japan	7	United Kingdom	12	Indonesia
3	United States	8	Hong Kong (SAR of China)	13	Vietnam
4	Republic of Korea	9	Singapore	14	Thailand
5	India	10	Taiwan	15	United Arab Emirates

- a) Use stripes to mark these countries on your map.
- b) How do these countries compare with the countries Australia gets most of its imports from?

3. Goods need to be labelled to show the country the finished item was made in. At home, find an example of each of the following types of products and note down which country they come from:

Clothing:

Food or drink:

Electronic equipment:

4. Which part of the world is Australia most connected to through trade?

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1 DFAT, Australia's trade in goods and services 2015-16, available at: <http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/trade-investment/australias-trade-in-goods-and-services/Pages/australias-trade-in-goods-and-services-2015-16.aspx> [accessed March 2017]

2 DFAT, Australia's trade in goods and services 2015-16, available at: <http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/trade-investment/australias-trade-in-goods-and-services/Pages/australias-trade-in-goods-and-services-2015-16.aspx> [accessed March 2017]