



AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY REPORT FOR FAPAA CONFERENCE JUNE 2023

Overview

The International Forwarders and Customs Brokers Association of Australia (IFCBAA) is Australia's leading peak national body, representing members interests in international trade logistics and supply chain management service provision. We are committed to being the voice for customs brokers, international freight forwarders and other associated groups involved in international trade, representing, and supporting our members in a difficult regulatory environment.

Mission Statement

“To be the single and influential voice for the international freight forwarders and customs brokers in Australia and to promote the professional development of our members through education, training and compliance”.

The primary objectives of IFCBAA are:

- To raise the profile of International Trade Logistics and supply chain management service industry
- Establishing relationships and making representations to domestic and international Government bodies, agencies, statutory authorities and relevant industry organisations to benefit Australian trade and the international freight forwarding and customs brokerage industry.
- To promote the professional development of IFCBAA members through the provision of education and training courses
- To support IFCBAA members to increase regulatory compliance and minimise business and individual risks.

Board of Directors

The then respective Boards of the Australian Federation of International Forwarders (AFIF) and Customs Brokers and Forwarders Council of Australia (CBFCA) reached an agreement to form a single peak body and to change their current business names to the International Forwarders and Customs Brokers Association of Australia (IFCBAA) Ltd, effective from 1 July 2020 onwards.

The then respective Boards agreed that a single peak body would be better placed to respond to members' issues and concerns into the future , with far-reaching experience and a greater united front for our industry.

The Board of Directors of IFCBAA is made up of the following people:

Adam Butler (Chair)

Paul Golland, (Vice Chair)

Daniel Andersen

Peter Andrews

Wade Bollard

Colin Brame

Nicole Couper

David Finnie

Andrew Hudson



Administration

- < Interim Chief Executive Officer: Scott Carson
- < Finance & Administration Manager/Company Secretary: Peter Gregory
- < Regional Manager VIC/Manager Air & Sea Forwarding: Wes McDiarmid
- < Professional Development & Training Manager: Praveen Jomy
- < Manager Border and Biosecurity: Brad Leonard
- < Member Services & Events Manager: Jodie Murray
- < Regional Manager WA: Phil Gray
- < Regional Management NSW/QLD/NT: Scott Carson /Jodie Murray
- < Trainee Administrator: Maddy Allen
- < Student Training Administration Trainee: Siobhan Peteru
- < Finance & Administration Support: Jessica Turnbull
- < Member & Accounts Administrator: Claire Gilmour

Industry Representation

IFCBAA is represented on the following Australian based consultative forums/committees/industry groups, most of which are facilitated by either Federal or State Government International Trade based regulatory bodies:

- < Customs Advisory Board (IFCBAA Chair - ABF Commissioner appointee)
- < National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF)
- < Trade Facilitation Initiatives Working Group (TFIWG)
- < Trade and Customs Legislation Working Group (LWG)
- < Trade and Goods Compliance Advisory Group (CAG)
- < Australian Trusted Trader Industry Advisory Group (ATTIAG)
- < Air Cargo Security Industry Advisory Forum (ACSIAF)
- < ACSIAF International Working Group
- < ACSIAF Domestic Working Group
- < Port Transport & Logistics Taskforce (PTLT - NSW)
- < TFNSW Empty Container Working Group
- < WA Port Operations Taskforce
- < Department of Agriculture Cargo Consultative Committee (DCCC)
- < Australian Border Force - NSW Trade Facilitation Forum
- < Australian Border Force - Victorian ABF Industry Engagement Forum
- < Supply Chain Advisory Network (SCAN)
- < Australian International Trade and Transport Industry Development Fund (AITTDF)
- < Australian Industry Training Group on Biosecurity (AITGB)
- < Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Biosecurity Import Supply Chain Roundtable
- < Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Continued Biosecurity Competency (CBC) Training Working Group
- < Victorian Ministerial Ports Industry Roundtable (involving Freight Victoria)
- < Transport for NSW Freight and Logistics Advisory Council
- < Integrated Cargo System Technical Working Group (ICSTWG)
- < Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade – Free Trade Agreements between Australia and other countries (involvement and input as part of the industry consultation that assists with the processes involved with these agreements)



Additionally, IFCBAA has the following international membership and representation:

- < International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA)
- < Advisory Body International Affairs (ABIA)
- < FIATA Advisory Body, Safety and Security (ABSS)
- < FIATA Air Freight Institute (AFI)
- < Cargo Executive Council Australia (CEC)
- < Federation of Asia Pacific Aircargo Associations
- < International Air Transport Association (IATA)
- < Federation of Customs Brokers Associations (IFCBA)
- < The International Air Cargo Association (TIACA)

Industry Training

IFCBAA, through its Training division ITALC, delivers ASQA accredited Diplomas in Customs Broking and also International Freight Forwarding.

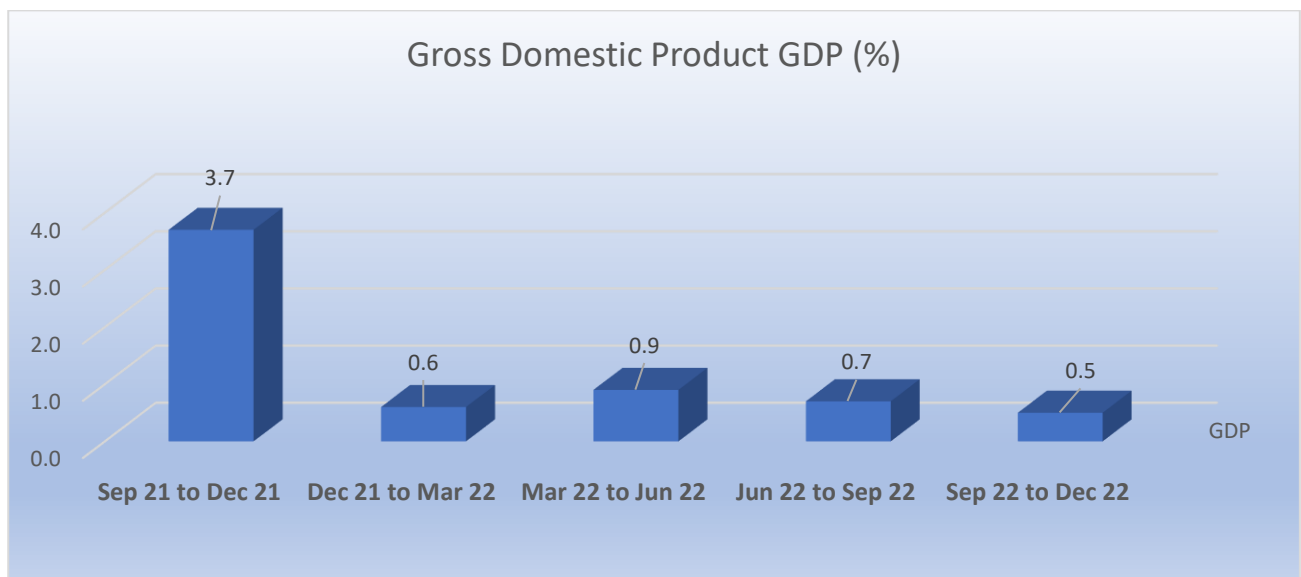
Additionally, IFCBAA delivers a wide range of largely compliance and regulatory based short courses to members and industry, that are cover air cargo, sea cargo and load restraint practices.

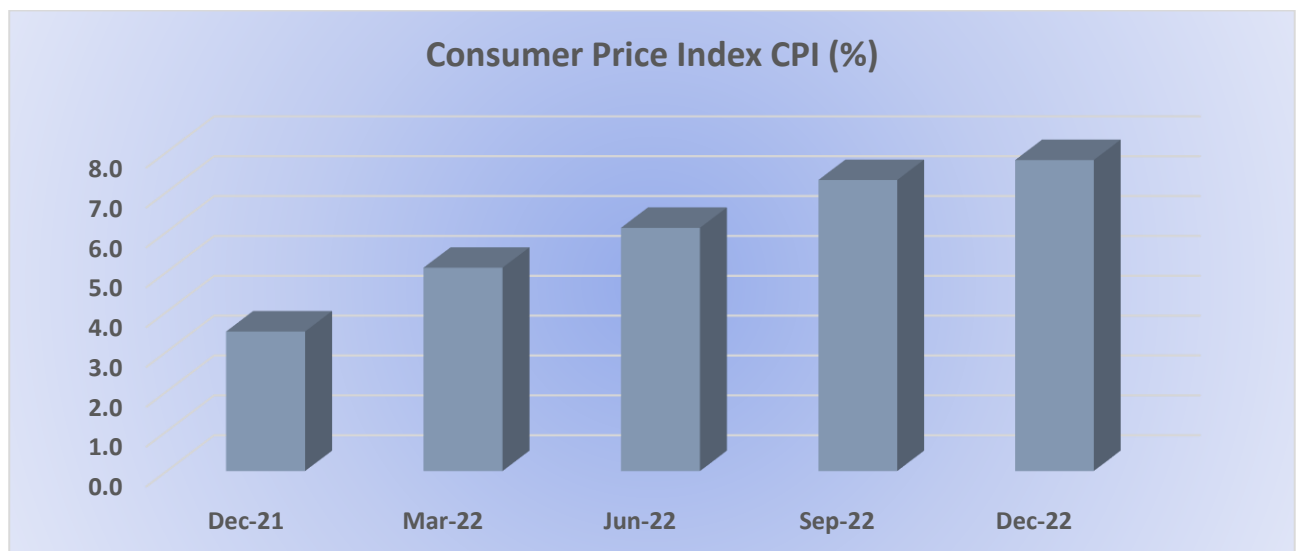
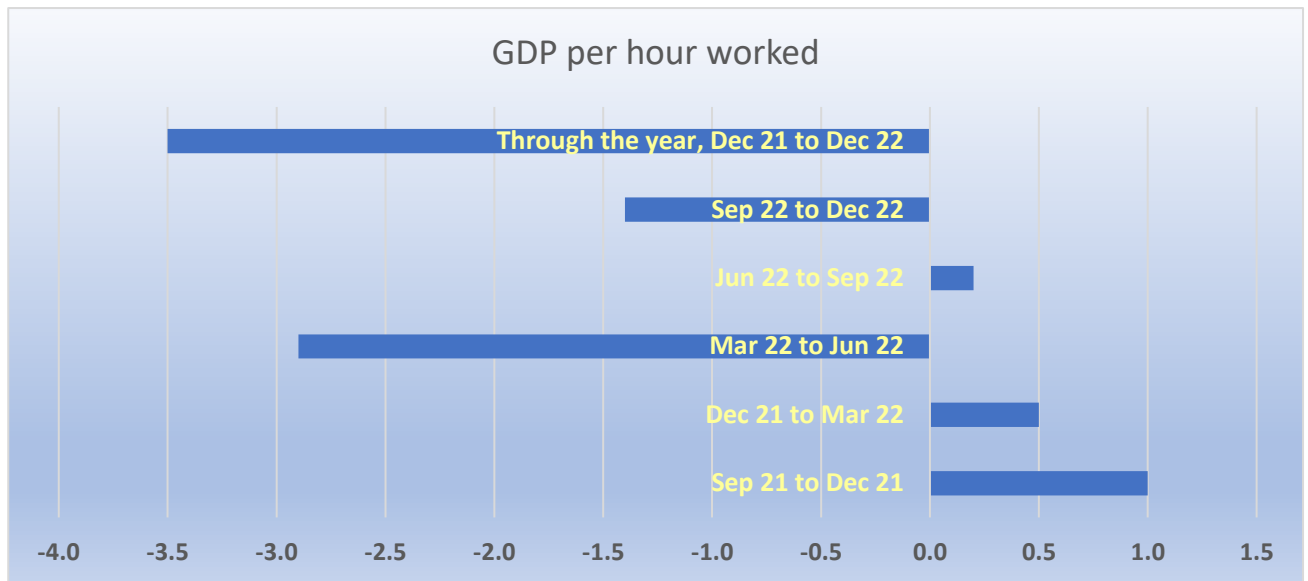
IFCBAA was the winner of the “2022 Top Performing Publication Reseller – Asia Pacific Region” award, relating to its wholesale sales of the IATA DGR manuals and related products.

Further details on IFCBAA’s Training services offering are contained within the separate Training Report that accompanies this report.

Key Economic Statistics

As provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics:





Key International Air Cargo Movement Statistics 2022/2023

Outbound flights ex. AU increased 12.1% for the first quarter of 2023 (W/E 30 MAR 2023)

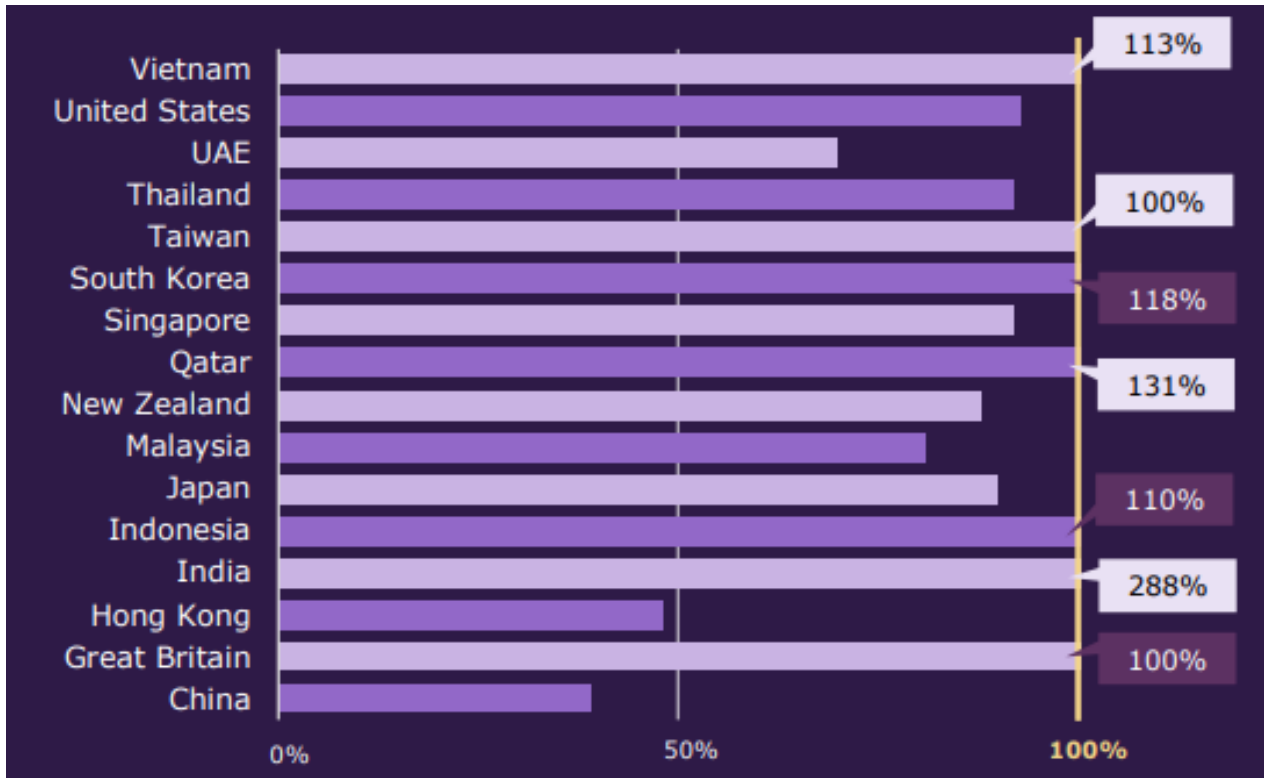
Wide-body flights increased 6% in same period however, unfortunately, overall wide-body flights remain 6% lower than the same period in 2019.

The outbound flights ex-AU reported in the third week of March, represent:

- ✦ Over 3x the number of flights for the same period in 2021.
- ✦ 81% of flights from the same period in 2019.

Flight recovery from Australia in terms of flight numbers to key export markets compared to pre-COVID levels, the two strongest markets are India and Qatar, where flights are at 275% and 137% respectively.

South Korea, Indonesia, Vietnam, Great Britain, and Taiwan are also at or above 100% of pre-COVID levels. China (39%) and Hong Kong (48%) are slowly improving but remain the lowest in terms of recovered flight numbers.



In relation to AU airports, Adelaide is the only major international airport to be operating with more flights at present compared to pre-COVID levels, with 112%. Melbourne is at 95% followed closely by Sydney airport on 89%, whilst Perth and Brisbane are operating at 81% and 71% respectively.