

Acronyms and abbreviations

AAS	Australian Academy of Science
ATSE	Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering
ABARE	Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACACA	Australia–China Agricultural Cooperation Agreement
ACBC	Australia–China Business Council
ACC	Australia–China Council
ACCC	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
ACCI	Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
ACFTA	Association of South East Asian Nations–China Free Trade Agreement
ACIAR	Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research
ACFTU	All China Federation of Trade Unions
ACTU	Australian Council of Trade Unions
ADS	Approved Destination Status
AEF	Asia Education Foundation
AFTINET	Australian Fair Trade and Investment Network
AiG	Australian Industry Group
ALGA	Australian Local Government Association
AMF	Australian Multicultural Foundation
AMWU	Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union
APEC	Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation
APFN	Asia–Pacific Futures Network
APRA	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority
AQIS	Australian Quarantine Inspection Service
AQSIQ	Administration for Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine
ARC	Australian Research Council
ASAA	Asian Studies Association of Australia
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
ASIC	Australian Securities and Investment Commission
ATMA	Australian Tyre Manufacturers' Association

AUSFTA	Australia–United States Free Trade Agreement
AustCham	Australian Chamber of Commerce
AWI	Australian Wool Innovation Ltd
BCC	Brisbane City Council
CAR	Comalco Alumina Refinery
CAS	Chinese Academy of Science
CCP	Chinese Communist Party
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CIETAC	China International Economic Trade Arbitration Commission
CITIC	China International Trust and Investment Corporation
CNOOC	China National Offshore Oil Corporation
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission
CRCs	Cooperative Research Centres
CSIRO	Commonwealth Science and Industrial Research Organisation
CSU	Charles Sturt University
DAFF	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
DCITA	Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
DEH	Department of Environment and Heritage
DEST	Department of Education, Science and Training
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
DIMIA	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs
DITR	Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources
EIT	Economy in transition
ELICOS	English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students
EOAP	Expanded Overseas Assembly Provisions
ETMs	Elaborately transformed manufactures
EU	European Union
FaCS	Department of Family and Community Services
FDC	Federation for a Democratic China
FDI	Foreign direct investment
FECCA	Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia
FIRB	Foreign Investment Review Board

FTA	Free trade agreement
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GDP	Gross domestic product
GMP	Good manufacturing practice
GONGO	Government organised non-government organisation
HREOC	Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission
IBC	Illawarra Business Chamber
ICEAPS	International Centre for Excellence in Asia–Pacific Studies
ICFTU	International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IP	Intellectual property
IPR	Intellectual property rights
IRA	Import risk assessment
IRDB	Illawarra Regional Development Board
ISL	International Science Linkages Programme
IWTO	International Wool Textile Organisation
JSTC	Joint Science and Technology Commission
LNG	Liquefied natural gas
MES	Market economy status
MFN	Most favoured nation
MOFCOM	Ministry of Commerce, People's Republic of China
MOST	Ministry of Science and Technology
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NALSAS	National Asian Languages and Studies in Australian Schools
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission
NFF	National Farmers' Federation
NGOs	Non-government organisations
NLA	National Library of Australia
NPLs	Non-performing loans
NTBs	Non-tariff barriers
NWS	North West Shelf
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development

PCIA	Plastics and Chemicals Industries Association
PDV	Professional Development Visa
PRC	People's Republic of China
R&D	Research and development
RMB	renminbi
RTAs	Regional trade agreements
RTIO	Rio Tinto Iron Ore
S&T	Science and Technology
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
SAWS	State Administration of Work Safety
SES	Senior Executive Service
SIMITARS	Safety in Mines Testing and Research Station
SIP	Strategic Investment Program
SMEs	Small and medium-sized enterprises
SOEs	State-owned enterprises
SPS	Sanitary and phytosanitary
SUV	Sports utility vehicle
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
TCF	Textiles, clothing and footwear
TCFUA	Textiles, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia
TFIA	Council of Textile and Fashion Industries of Australia
TRIPS	Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
TW	Tourism Wollongong
UN	United Nations
UWA	University of Western Australia
VAT	Value Added Tax
WA	Western Australia
WASO	West Australian Symphony Orchestra
WCC	Wollongong City Council
WOFE	Wholly owned foreign enterprise
WTO	World Trade Organization