

# Paraguay


**Population**

5.36 million (1999 est.)

**Capital**

Asunción

**Total area**

406 752 km<sup>2</sup>

**Language**

Spanish

**National day**

May 15

(1811 Independence Day)

**Currency**

guaraní

**GDP**

\$7.7 billion (1999)

**GDP per capita**

\$1404 (1999)

**Canadian exports**

\$7.49 million (1999)

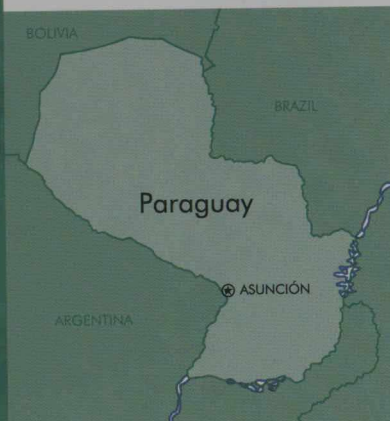
**Canadian imports**

\$1.55 million (1999)

**Head of state and government:**

President Luis González **Macchi**

Born December 13, 1947. Obtained law degree from the Universidad Nacional de Asunción, and undertook further studies in Madrid. Chaired several official missions abroad and presided over the National Congress. Became President on March 28, 1999, following the resignation of Raúl Cubas.



# Peru


**Population**

25.2 million  
(1999 projection)

**Capital**

Lima

**Total area**

1 285 215 km<sup>2</sup>

**Languages**

Spanish, Quechua

**National day**

July 28

(1821 Independence Day)

**Currency**

nuevo sol

**GDP**

\$51.98 billion (1999)

**GDP per capita**

\$2070 (1999 est.)

**Canadian exports**

\$172.4 million (1999)

**Canadian imports**

\$150.0 million (1999)

**Head of state and government:**

President Valentín **Paniagua**

Born September 23, 1936. A constitutional lawyer, he has served as Minister of Justice and of Education, and as Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies. Became Interim President of Peru on November 22, 2000, following the removal from office of Alberto Fujimori. New elections scheduled for April 2001.



# Saint Kitts *and* Nevis


**Population**

45 000 (1999 est.)

**Capital**

Basseterre

**Total area**

269 km<sup>2</sup>

**Language**

English

**National day**

September 19

(1983 Independence Day)

**Currency**

East Caribbean dollar

**GDP**

\$296.2 million (1999 est.)

**GDP per capita**

\$6095 (1997)

**Canadian exports**

\$10.4 million (1999)

**Canadian imports**

\$5.1 million (1999)


**Head of government:**

Prime Minister Dr. Denzil **Douglas**

Born January 14, 1953. A family physician and past president of the country's medical association. In 1989, elected to the National Assembly and became Leader of the Opposition. Elected Prime Minister in 1995; re-elected in March 2000. He currently chairs the Caribbean Community (CARICOM).

# Saint Lucia


**Population**

153 600 (1999 est.)

**Capital**

Castries

**Total area**

616 km<sup>2</sup>

**Language**

English

**National day**

February 22

(1979 Independence Day)

**Currency**

East Caribbean dollar

**GDP**

\$680.3 million (1999 est.)

**GDP per capita**

\$4302 (1998)

**Canadian exports**

\$12.5 million (1999)

**Canadian imports**

\$500 000 (1999)


**Head of government:**

Prime Minister Dr. Kenneth **Anthony**

Born January 8, 1951. A career university teacher and doctor of law. In 1979, became special adviser to the Ministry of Education and Culture and, in 1980, Minister of Education. In 1981, resumed academic career. From 1993 to 1996, served as legal counsel to CARICOM. Then returned to politics and was elected Prime Minister in May 1997.