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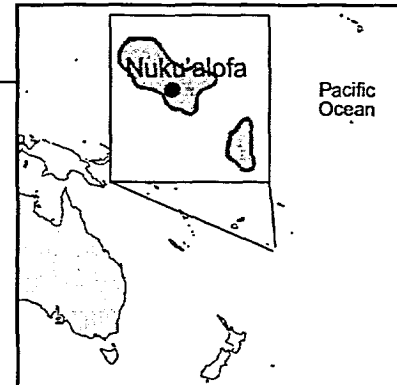
Capital: Nuku'alofa

GEODATA

Area 747 km ²	Population 104,227 (2001 est.)
Major languages English, Polynesian	Population growth rate 1.9% (2000 est.)

Major religious group
Christian

Surrounding countries
Fiji, New Zealand, Niue (New Zealand), Samoa Islands, Tuvalu



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government
Monarchy

UN Human Development Index (2001)
Not listed

National legislature
Single chamber: Legislative Assembly

Canadian official development assistance
\$1.01 million (2000-01)

Leaders
King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV
Prime Minister Crown Prince Ulukalala Lavaka Ata

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence
Crown Prince Ulukalala Lavaka Ata

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP
\$141.6 million US (2001 est.)

Inflation rate
7% (2001 est.)

Real GDP growth rate
3% (2001 est.)

Unemployment rate
Not available

GDP per capita
\$1,400 US (2001 est.)

Main exports
Coconut oil, desiccated coconut, copra, bananas, taro, vanilla beans, fruit, vegetables, fish, squash

Main imports
Machinery and transportation equipment, manufactured goods, chemicals, fuels, food products

Main exports to Canada
\$154,000 (2000), including spices, coffee, tea, machinery, medical instruments, cereals, grain and fruit

Main imports from Canada
\$79,000 (2000), including commodities, machinery, footwear, iron/steel products

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