

United States

Gross Domestic Product (GDP):	US\$6.3 trillion (1993); US\$6.7 trillion (1994); US\$7.0 trillion (1995 est.)
GDP Growth Rate:	3.1% (1993); 4.1% (1994)
GDP Per Capita:	US\$24,625 (1993); US\$25,900 (1994)
Population:	260 million (1994)
Head of State and Government:	President Bill Clinton
Secretary of State:	Warren Christopher
Trade Representative:	Mickey Kantor
Secretary of Commerce:	Ronald Brown

Canada-United States Relations

- Canada and the United States enjoy the most comprehensive and mutually beneficial relationship of any two countries in the world. Now governed by the North American Free Trade Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, trade between Canada and the United States is greater than anywhere else.
- Canada and the United States are partners in multilateral groups, such as the G-7, the World Trade Organization, the Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation forum, the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe and the Organization of American States.
- Canada and the United States have long co-operated on peace and security issues as founding members of the United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The North American Aerospace Defence Agreement, which is due for renewal in 1996, has been the cornerstone of North American air defence since 1957.
- Since the signing of the 1909 Boundary Waters Treaty, Canada and the U.S. have co-operated on common border issues, such as trans-boundary air and water quality and wildlife management.

Trade and Investment

- Canada and the U.S. are each other's most important trading partners, exchanging about \$1 billion worth of goods and services every day — the largest trading relationship in the world. In 1994, merchandise trade between Canada and the United States totalled \$321.8 billion, up 22 per cent from \$264.3 billion in 1993.