PERU

Capital: Lima

GEODATA

Area 1,285,215 km²

Major languages Spanish, Quechua, Aymará

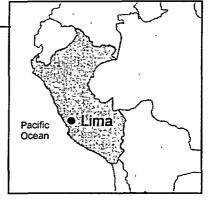
Major religious group Roman Catholic (90%) Surrounding countries

Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador

Population

27.5 million (2001 est.)

Population growth rate 1.7% (2001 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Unicameral: Democratic Constituent Congress; multiparty

Leader

President Alejandro Toledo Manrique

Minister of Foreign Relations

Allan Wagner Tizon

Minister of Trade and Tourism

Raul Diez Canseco Terry

UN Human Development Index (2002)

Peru ranks 82nd among 173 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$19.08 million (2000-01)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$54 billion US (2001)

GDP growth rate

0.2% (2001 est.)

GDP per capita

\$4,680 US (2001, PPP)

Inflation rate

1.3% (2001)

Unemployment rate

7.2% (2001)

Main exports

Gold, copper, zinc, fishmeal, crude petroleum and byproducts, lead, refined silver, coffee

Main imports

Machinery, transportation equipment, foodstuffs, petroleum, iron and steel, chemicals

Canadian imports from Peru

\$251.4 million (2001), including ores (lead and zinc), spices, coffee and tea, fats and oils, knit apparel, fruit and nuts, cotton and wool

Canadian exports to Peru

\$178.2 million (2001), wheat, copper ore, electrical machinery and equipment, vehicles, legumes and lentils, paper, malt and starch

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