

ST. LUCIA

Capital: Castries

GEODATA

Area

616 km²

Major language

English (official)

Major religious groups

Roman Catholic (90%),
Protestant (7%), Anglican (3%)

Surrounding countries

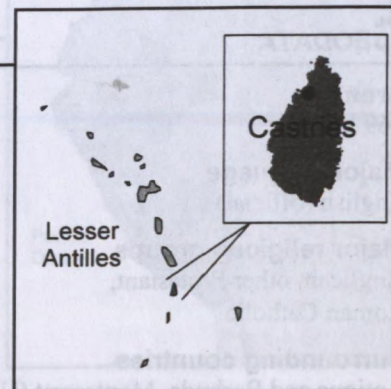
Barbados, Martinique (France), St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Population

156,300 (2000 est.)

Population growth rate

1.2% (2000 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Constitutional monarchy

National legislature

Upper chamber: Senate

Lower chamber: House of Assembly; multiparty

Leaders

Governor General Calliopa Pearlette Louisy

Prime Minister Kenneth Anthony

Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade

George Odlum

UN Human Development Index (2000)

St. Lucia ranks 88th among 174 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$1.03 million (1998-1999)

ECONOMIC DATA

Real GDP

\$707 million US (1999 est.)

GDP growth rate

0.5% (2000 est.)

GDP per capita

\$4,302 US (1998)

Main exports

Bananas, clothing, cocoa, fruit and vegetables, coconut oil

Main imports

Food, manufactured goods, machinery and transportation equipment, chemicals, fuels

Main exports to Canada

\$1.4 million (2000), including electrical machinery; precious stones and metals; vegetables; textile articles; preserved food; toys; sports equipment; lace and tapestries; fruit and nuts; rubber; machinery

Main imports from Canada

\$9.7 million (2000), including dairy products; eggs; honey; machinery; electrical machinery; meat; milled products, malt and starches; furniture and bedding; paper and paperboard; preserved food

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