

Lesotho

Country Official Name: Kingdom of Lesotho Capital: Maseru

Geodata

Area: 30 350 km²

Population: 1 848 925 (92), growth 2.6%

Natural Resources: water, agriculture, diamonds

Major Religions: 80% Christian, 20% Animist

Major Language(s): Sesotho, English (official)



Political Data

Type of Government: Constitutional monarchy

Leaders: Head of State King Letsie III

Head of Government, Prime Minister Dr. Ntsu Mokhehle

Minister of Foreign Affairs Molapo Ohobela

Democratic Institutions: Bicameral parliament, multiparty

UN Human Development Index: 120/173 (low)

Economic Data GNP (per capita): US \$ 540 (92), growth 2.4% (92-93)

Main Exports: wool, mohair, wheat, cattle, textiles

Main Imports: corn, building materials, clothing, vehicles, medicines, petroleum

Export to Canada: C \$ 2.9 million (92)

Import from Canada: C \$ 0.05 million (92)

External Debt: US \$ 427.7 million (91)

Main Donors: Germany, United States, U.K.

Canadian ODA: C \$ 10.26 million (FY 91-92) est.