

VIETNAM

Capital: Hanoi

GEODATA

Area

331,700 km²

Major language

Vietnamese

Major religious groups

Buddhist, Taoist, Roman Catholic, indigenous beliefs, Muslim, Protestant, Cao Dai, Hoa Hao

Surrounding countries

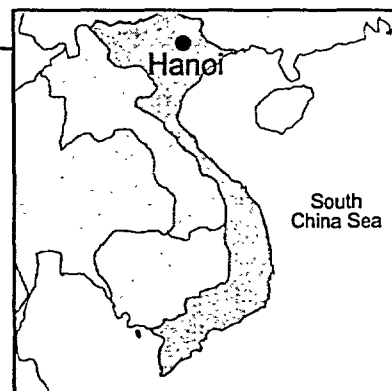
Cambodia, China, Laos

Population

79.9 million (2001 est.)

Population growth rate

1.5% (2001 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Unicameral: National Assembly; one party

Leaders

President Tran Duc Luong

Prime Minister Phan Van Khai

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Nguyen Dy Nien

Minister of Commerce

Vu Khoan

UN Human Development Index (2002)

Vietnam ranks 109th among 173 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$55.82 million (2000-01)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$32.9 billion US (2001)

GDP growth rate

6% (2001)

GDP per capita

\$2,130 US (2001, PPP)

Main exports

Crude oil, marine products, rice, coffee, rubber, tea, garments, shoes

Main imports

Machinery and equipment, petroleum products, fertilizer, steel products, raw cotton, grain, cement, motorcycles

Canadian imports from Vietnam

\$237.1 million (2001), including clothing, coffee, fish, footwear, articles of leather, fruit and nuts, clothing

Canadian exports to Vietnam

\$58.6 million (2001), including fertilizer, cereal, artificial filament, wood pulp, machinery

Canadian Representative

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