

RUSSIA

Capital: Moscow

GEODATA

Area

17,075,000 km²

Population

148 million (1997)

Population growth rate

-0.1% (1995)

Major language

Russian

Major religious groups

Russian Orthodox, Muslim



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

Democratic institutions

Federal assembly

Leaders

President Boris Yeltsin

Prime Minister Sergei Kirienko

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Yevgeny Primakov

Minister of Finance

Mikhail Zadornov

UN Human Development Index (1997)

Russia ranks 67th among 175 countries

Main exports

Energy products, machinery and equipment, minerals and metals, food products, chemicals

Main imports

Machinery and equipment, food products, textiles, chemicals, mineral and metal products

Main exports to Canada

\$626 million (1997), including steel, metals, fish, mineral fuels, precious stones and metals, ore, inorganic chemicals

Main imports from Canada

\$351 million (1997), including telecommunications equipment, machinery, vehicles and accessories, meats, clothing, tobacco

ECONOMIC DATA

Nominal GDP

\$463 billion US (1997 est.)

Real GDP growth rate

0.4% (1997)

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