ZIMBABWE

Capital: Harare

GEODATA

Area 390,580 km²

Major languages English (official), Shona, Sindebele

Major religious groups Syncretic: blend of Christian and indigenous beliefs (50%), Christian (25%), indigenous beliefs (24%)

Surrounding countries Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa, Zambia

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Republic

National legislature Single chamber: House of Assembly; multiparty

Leaders President Robert Gabriel Mugabe

Minister of Foreign Affairs Stanley Mudenge

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$7.2 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate -7.5% (2001 est.)

GDP per capita \$471 US (1999)

Main exports Tobacco, ferro-alloys, gold

Main imports Machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods

Main exports to Canada \$10.5 million (2000), including copper mattes, quartz, wood

Main imports from Canada \$5.3 million (2000), including machinery, electrical machinery, iron and steel products

Population

1.7% (2000)

12.6 million (2000 est.)

Population growth rate

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Herbert Murerwa UN Human Development Index (2001)

Minister of Industry and International Trade

Zimbabwe ranks 117th among 162 countries

Canadian official development assistance \$12.16 million (2000–01)



Unemployment rate 50% (1999 est.)

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