

FACT SHEET - SINGAPORE

July 1994

Area: 641 sq km
Capital: City State

Population: 2.87 million (1993)
System of Government: Constitutional Parliamentary
Democracy

Head of State: President Qng Teng Cheong Prime Minister: Goh Chok Tong
Minister for Foreign Affairs: Prof. S. Jayakumar Minister for Trade and Industry: Yeo Cheow Tong

Language: English, Mandarin, Malay, Tamil
Ethnic Background: Chinese 78%, Malay 14%, East Indian 8%

GDP: CAD\$67.3b (1993) Per Capita Income: CAD\$22,000 (1993) Currency: Spore\$ = Cdn\$0.93
Inflation Rate: 2.4% (1993) Debt Service Ratio: 0.1% (1993) Unemployment Rate: 2.7% (1993)

Major Trading Partners (1993) (CAD billion):**Exports** (Total: \$95.56 b)

1. USA (\$19.5 b)
2. Malaysia (\$13.6 b)
3. Japan (\$7.16 b)
4. Hong Kong (\$6.24 b)
5. Thailand (\$5.46 b)

Imports (Total: \$110.81 b)

1. Japan (\$24.18 b)
2. USA (\$17.95 b)
3. Malaysia (\$18.2 b)
4. Thailand (\$4.56 b)
5. Hong Kong (\$3.48 b)

Canadian Trade Statistics: (CAD\$ millions)

	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>
Exports	275.2	243.5	381.3	377.8	319.2	317.6
Imports	466.9	502.4	551.8	588.9	644.7	796.5
Balance	-191.7	-258.9	-170.5	-211.1	-325.5	-478.9

Major Canadian Exports 1993(CAD\$000)

Newsprint	29,119
Petroleum	17,116
Silver in unwrought forms	16,717
Cathode-ray TV picture tubes	10,504
Helicopter of unladen weight	10,410

Major Canadian Imports 1993(CAD\$000)

Digital & automatic process unit	164,058
Storage units	159,634
Parts and Access of auto. data	84,111
Monolithic integrated circuits	51,805
Radio Broad Receivers	45,516

Main Sectors of Opportunity for Canadian Business:

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| 1. Information Technology/Electronic Products | 4. Agri-Food |
| 2. Construction | 5. Transportation Systems/Services |
| 3. Defence Products | 6. Oil and Gas |

EDC Status: On cover

CIDA Status: Not a program country

Resident Canadian Banks: Bank of Montreal, Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, National Bank of Canada, Royal Bank, Toronto Dominion Bank

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