

NEW ZEALAND

Capital: Wellington

GEODATA

Area

268,700 km²

Population

3.5 million (1994)

Population growth

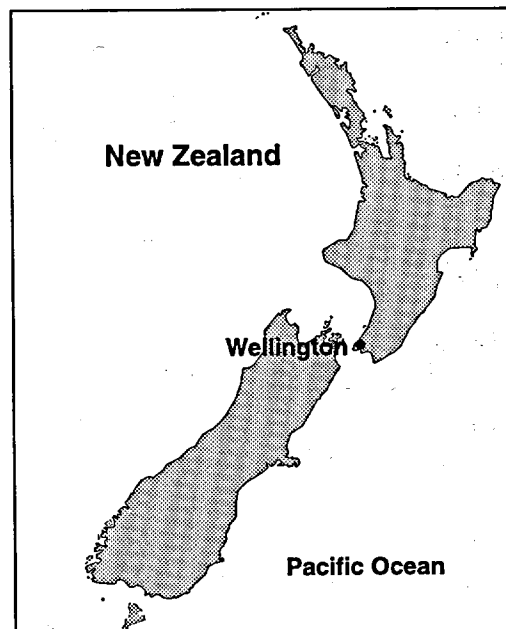
0.9% (1994 est.)

Major languages

English (official), Maori

Major religions:

Anglican (29%), Presbyterian (18%), Roman Catholic (15%)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of Government

Parliamentary democracy (E II)

Leader

Prime Minister Jim Bolger

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs

Don McKinnon

Democratic Institutions

Unicameral house, multiparty

UN Human Development Index

New Zealand ranks 17th among 174 countries

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ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$46 billion US (1994 est.)

GDP growth rate

3.9% (1994 est.)

GDP per capita

\$13,230 US (1994 est.)

Main Exports

Beef, fruit, fish, livestock, wool, dairy products, chemicals, forestry products, and manufactured goods

Main Imports

Petroleum, machinery, motor vehicles, manufactured goods, and animal and vegetable oils

Main Exports to Canada

\$320.81 million (1994), including beef, lamb and sheep meat, fresh fruits, dairy products, fish and live animals

Main Imports from Canada

\$140.94 million (1994), including potassium chloride, polyethylene, unrefined sulphur, machinery, softwood lumber, canned salmon, newsprint