

# KINGDOM OF LESOTHO

Capital: Maseru

## GEODATA

**Area**  
30,350 km<sup>2</sup>

**Population**  
1.9 million (1994)

**Population growth**  
2.48% (1994)

**Major language**  
English

**Major religions**  
Christian (80%), animist (20%)



## POLITICAL DATA

**Type of Government**  
Constitutional monarchy

**Leaders**  
King Mshoeshoe II  
Prime Minister Dr. Ntsu Mokhehle

**Minister of Foreign Affairs**  
K.O. Maope

**Democratic Institutions**  
Bicameral parliament, multiparty

**UN Human Development Index**  
Lesotho ranks 131st among 174 countries

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## ECONOMIC DATA

**GDP**  
\$722 million US (1994)

**GDP growth rate**  
6% (1994)

**GDP per capita**  
\$372 US (1994)

**Main Exports**  
Wool, mohair, wheat, cattle, textiles

**Main Imports**  
Corn, building materials, clothing, vehicles, medicines, petroleum

**Main Exports to Canada**  
\$3.81 million (1994), including clothing

**Main Imports from Canada**  
\$95,000 (1994), including medicine

**Canadian bilateral assistance**  
\$7.15 million (1993-1994)