

MEXICO

Capital: Mexico City

GEODATA

Area

1,972,550 km²

Major language

Spanish

Major religious groups

Roman Catholic (89%),

Protestant (6%)

Surrounding countries

Belize, Guatemala, United States

Population

101.9 million (2001 est.)

Population growth rate

1.5% (2001 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Upper chamber: Senate

Lower chamber: Chamber of Deputies; multiparty

Leader

President Vicente Fox

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Jorge G. Castañeda

Minister of the Economy

Luis Ernesto Derbez

UN Human Development Index (2002)

Mexico ranks 54th among 173 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$6.22 million (2000-01)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$617.4 billion US (2001)

GDP growth rate

-0.3% (2001)

GDP per capita

\$8,770 US (2001, PPP)

Main exports

Electrical machinery, motor vehicles, machinery, petroleum, petroleum products

Main imports

Electrical machinery, machinery, motor vehicles, plastic, iron and steel products

Canadian imports from Mexico

\$12.1 billion (2001), including electrical machinery, motor vehicles, furniture and bedding, oil, optical equipment, vegetables, fruit and nuts, iron and steel products, iron and steel, woven apparel, glass and glassware, knit apparel, beverages, textile floor coverings

Canadian exports to Mexico

\$2.7 billion (2001), including motor vehicles and parts, grain, seeds and fruit, cereals, machinery, electrical machinery, chemical products, dairy, eggs and honey, salt and sulphur, wood pulp, fabrics, rubber, plastic, iron and steel

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