CANADA

Capital: Ottawa

GEODATA

Area 9.97 million km²

Population 29 million

Population growth 1.1% (1994)

Official languages English, French

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government
Constitutional monarchy

Head of state

Queen Elizabeth II

Prime Minister Jean Chrétien

Minister of Foreign Affairs André Ouellet

Minister for International Trade Roy MacLaren

Minister of Finance Paul Martin

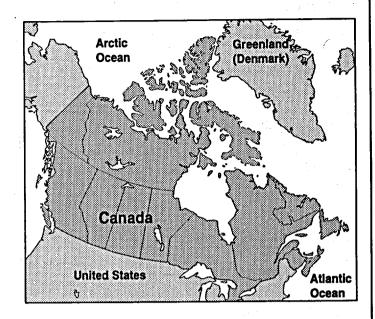
Democratic institutions
Federal state, bicameral Parliament

UN Human Development Index Canada ranks first among 173 countries

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ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$750.1 billion (1994)

GDP growth rate 4.6% (1994)

GDP per capita \$25,710 (1994)

Inflation rate 2.3% (August 1995)

Unemployment rate 9.6% (August 1995)

Main exports

\$225.9 billion (1994), including wood, paper, aluminum, transport equipment, mineral, fuels and capital equipment

Main imports

\$202.6 billion (1994), including transportation equipment, capital equipment, electronics, plastics

Source: Statistics Canada