KIRIBATI

Capital: Tarawa

GEODATA

Area 717 km²

Major languages English (official), Gilbertese

Major religious groups Roman Catholic (53%), Protestant (41%)

Surrounding countries Australia, New Zealand, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Republic

National legislature Single chamber: House of Assembly; multiparty

Leader President Teburoro Tito

Minister of Foreign Affairs Teburoro Tito

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$76 million US (2000 est.)

Real GDP growth rate 1% (2000 est.)

GDP per capita \$850 US (2000 est.)

Main exports Fish, copra

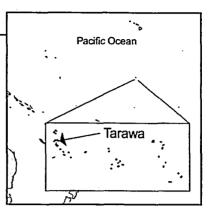
Main imports Foodstuffs, fuel, transportation equipment

Main exports to Canada \$25,000 (2000), including electrical machinery, woven apparel, iron/steel products

Main imports from Canada \$5,000 (2000), including glass and glassware

Population 94,149 (July 2000 est.) Population growth rate

2.3% (2000 est.)



UN Human Development Index (2001) Not listed Canadian official development assistance \$370,000 (2000–01)

Inflation rate 2.5% (2001 est.)

Unemployment rate Not available