PORTUGAL

Capital: Lisbon

GEODATA

Area 92,390 km²

Major language Portuguese

Major religious groups Roman Catholic (97%), Protestant (1%)

Surrounding country Spain

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Democratic Republic

National legislature Unicameral: Assembly of the Republic

Leaders President Jorge Sampaio Prime Minister António Guterres

Minister of Foreign Affairs Jaime Gama

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$104.3 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate 3.25% (2000)

GDP per capita \$10,388 US (2000)

Main exports Clothing and footwear, machinery, chemicals, cork, paper products

Main imports

Machinery, transport equipment, chemicals, petroleum, textiles, agricultural products

Main exports to Canada

\$200.7 million (1999), including footwear, beverages, ore, slag, ash, wadding, felt, cork, machinery, electrical machinery

Main imports from Canada

\$119.3 million (1999), including grain, fertilizer, fruit, mineral fuels, wood, machinery, fish, seafood, ore, slag, ash

Canadian Representative

Robert Vanderloo, Ambassador, The Canadian Embassy, Avenida da Liberdade, 196-200, 3 Andar, 1269-121 Lisbon, Portugal Phone: (011-352-21) 352-1125, Fax: (011-351-21) 316-4691, Web site: www.infoexport.gc.ca/pt

Population 10.04 million (2000)

Population growth rate 1.34% (1999)



Minister of the Economy Mário Cristina de Sousa

Minister of Finance Antonio Sousa

UN Human Development Index (2000) Portugal ranks 28th among 174 countries

Inflation rate 2.9% (2000)

Unemployment rate 4.0% (2000)