

FACT SHEET

Area: 91,590 square kilometers.

Population: 2,750,000. Due to the influx of refugees, over 60% of the population on the East Bank is of Palestinian origin.

Religion: Over 90% Sunni Moslem with small Shiite Moslem and Christian minorities.

Capital: Amman, population 1,000,000.

Government: Jordan is a hereditary constitutional monarchy. The Prime Minister exercises executive authority in the name of the King.

Head of State: King Hussein Ibn Talal I.

Prime Minister: Zaid Rifai.

Minister of Foreign Affairs: Taher Masri.

Languages: The official language is Arabic; most of the élite also speak English.

Gross Domestic Product: \$4.4 billion (US).

Per Capita GDP: \$1,710 (US).

Trade with Canada: Canada exported to Jordan an estimated \$5.5 million (Cdn) of goods and services in 1985. Our exports comprise chiefly manufactured goods, medical and pharmaceutical products, and telecommunications equipment.

Canada's imports from Jordan are nominal.