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Population:

117.9 million

Area:

378,000 square kilometres

Type of Government:

Constitutional Monarchy

Head of State Head of Government

Emperor Hirohito Yasuhiro Nakasone

Foreign Minister

Shintaro Abe

Minister of International Trade and Industry

Sadanori Yamanaka Noboru Takeshita

Finance Minister

Major Religions:

Shintoism and Buddhism

(Christianity comprises approx. 1%)

Population Density per km²:

311 (Canadian density is 2 persons

per km²)

Land Use:

Agricultural 14.5% Forest 66.2% 19.3% Other

Currency:

200 Yen - Cdn.\$1 (3 December 1982)

GNP:

(US\$) 1,066.2 billion

(2.3% real growth over 1981)

GNP Per Capita:

(US\$) 9,043

Inflation Rate:

2.7% (June 1982)

Bank of Japan Discount Rate: 5.5%

Total Defence Budget:

\$11.497 billion (8th in world)

(1981)

Trade (1981):

Total Japanese Exports Total Japanese Imports Japanese Trade Surplus US \$145.8 billion US \$129.6 billion

US \$14.2 billion (Japanese Figures)

Exports as % of Gross Domestic Product:

USA 9.1% Japan 14.0% Canada 29.3%

Total Canadian Exports to Japan:

Jan. - Dec. 1980:

(Cdn.\$) 4.37 billion (up 7.1% over

1979)

Jan. - Dec. 1981:

(Cdn.\$) 4.49 billion (up 2.74% over 1980)