

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Capital: St. John's

GEODATA

Area
440 km²

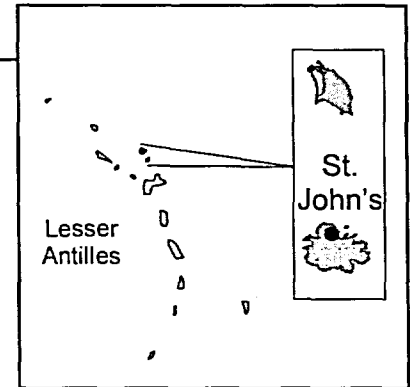
Population
66,422 (July 2000 est.)

Official language
English

Population growth rate
0.73% (2000 est.)

Major religious groups
Anglican, Protestant, Roman Catholic

Surrounding countries
Guadeloupe (France), Montserrat (U.K.),
St. Kitts-Nevis



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government
Constitutional monarchy

Minister of Foreign Affairs
Lester Bryant Bird

National legislature
Upper chamber: Senate
Lower chamber: House of Representatives;
multiparty

Minister of Commerce and Industry
Hilroy Humphreys

Leaders
Governor General James Beethoven Carlisle
Prime Minister Lester Bryant Bird

UN Human Development Index (2000)
Antigua and Barbuda ranks 37th among 174 countries

Canadian Official Development Assistance
\$470,000 (1998-1999)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP
\$629.6 million US (1999 est.)

Inflation rate
1.6% (est. 1999)

GDP growth rate
3.2% (est. 1999)

Unemployment rate
7% (est. 1997)

GDP per capita
\$7,020 US (1998)

Main exports
Petroleum products, bedding, handicrafts, electronic components, machinery and transport equipment, food, live animals

Main imports
Food, live animals, machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods, chemicals, oil

Main exports to Canada
\$400,000 (1999), including coffee, fish and seafood, fruit, machinery

Main imports from Canada
\$11.4 million (1999), including meat, dairy products, vegetables, fruit and nuts

Canadian Representative

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