BRUNEI Capital: Bandar Seri Begawan

GEODATA

Area 5,765 km²

Major languages Malay, English, Chinese

Major religious groups Muslim (67%), Buddhist (13%), Christian (10%)

Surrounding country Malaysia

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Monarchy

National legislature Single chamber: Legislative Council; one party

Leader Sultan and Prime Minister Hassanal Bolkiah

Population 343,653 (2001 est.)

Population growth rate 2% (2001 est.)



Minister of Industry and Primary Resources Pehin Dato Awang Haji Abdul Rahman

UN Human Development Index (2002) Brunei ranks 32nd among 173 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$4.83 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate 3.5% (2000)

GDP per capita \$14,123 US (2000)

Main exports Liquified natural gas, crude petroleum, refined petroleum products

Main imports Machinery, transport equipment, manufactured goods, food, chemicals

Canadian imports from Brunei \$3.5 million (2001), including clothing, articles of iron and steel, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances

Inflation rate

Unemployment rate

1% (1999)

4.9% (1997)

Canadian exports to Brunei

\$1.1 million (2001), including boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances, edible preparations, fruit and nuts

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