

EGYPT

Capital: Cairo

GEODATA

Area

1,001,450 km²

Population

62.6 million (1998)

Population growth rate

1.6%

Major language

Arabic

Major religious groups

Sunni Muslim (94%), Coptic Christian (6%)

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

Democratic institutions

Unicameral people's assembly

Leaders

President Hosni Mubarak

Prime Minister Atef Ebeid

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Amre Mahmoud Moussa

UN Human Development Index (1999)

Egypt ranks 120th among 174 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$82 billion US (1999)

GDP growth rate

5% (1999)

GDP per capita

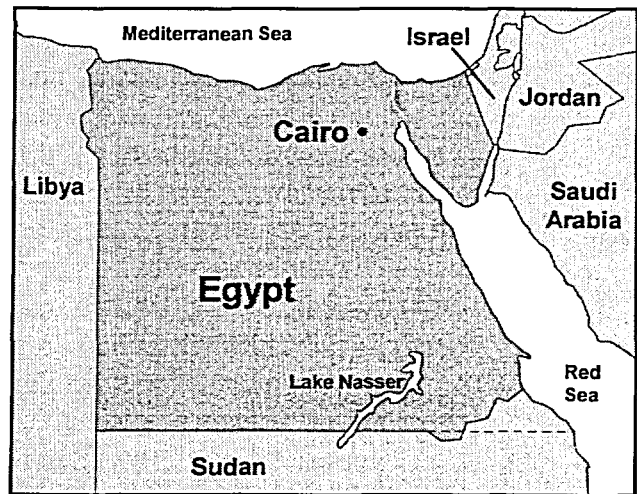
\$1,121 US (1999)

Inflation rate

3.2% (1999)

Unemployment rate

11.3% (1999)



Main exports

Petroleum, cotton yarn, textiles, engineering and metallurgical tools

Main imports

Transport equipment, livestock, food and drink, fats, mineral fuel

Main exports to Canada

\$39.8 million (1999), including knitted textile goods, mineral fuel, rugs and flooring, clothing

Main imports from Canada

\$187 million (1999), including paper, cardboard, mineral fuel, mechanical and electrical machinery, cereals

Canadian official development assistance

\$29 million (1998-99)

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