# **UNITED STATES**

Capital: Washington, D.C.

## GEODATA

**Area** 9,629,091 km<sup>2</sup>

Major languages English, Spanish

Major religious groups Protestant (56%), Roman Catholic (28%), Jewish (2%)

Surrounding countries Canada, Mexico

## POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Republic

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

Leader President George W. Bush

## Population 283.8 million (March 2001 est.)

Population growth rate 0.9% (2000 est.)



Secretary of State Colin L. Powell

Inflation rate

**Unemployment rate** 

3.4% (2000)

4% (2000)

Secretary of the Treasury Paul H. O'Neill

UN Human Development Index (2000) The United States ranks 3rd among 174 countries

# ECONOMIC DATA

Real GDP \$9.32 trillion US (1999)

Real GDP growth rate 5% (2000)

**GDP per capita** \$34,000 US (2000)

## Main exports

Machinery and equipment, motor vehicles, aircraft, wheat, chemicals, plastic resins, plastic materials, plastic manufactured products, agricultural products, military supplies

### Main imports

Petroleum and petroleum products, non-ferrous base metals, fertilizers, agricultural products, machinery and equipment, motor vehicles, raw materials

#### Main exports to Canada

Goods: \$180 billion (2000), including motor vehicles and parts; computers; telecommunications equipment; plastic resins; plastic materials; plastic manufactured products Services: \$27 billion (2000)

#### Main imports from Canada

Goods: \$242 billion (2000), including motor vehicles and parts; softwood lumber; crude petroleum; natural gas; newsprint

Services: \$22 billion (2000)

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