RUSSIA

Capital: Moscow

GEODATA

Area 17,075,200 km²

Major language Russian

Major religious groups Russian Orthodox, Muslim, Jewish, Buddhist

Surrounding countries

Azerbaijan, Belarus, China, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Mongolia, North Korea, Norway, Poland, Ukraine

Population

-0.4% (2001 est.)

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government Republic

National legislature Upper chamber: Federation Council Lower chamber: State Duma; multiparty

Leaders President Vladimir Putin Prime Minister Mikhail Kasyanov

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP \$310.0 billion US (2001)

GDP growth rate 5% (2001)

GDP per capita \$8,660 US (2001, PPP)

Main exports Energy products, machinery and equipment, minerals and metals, food products, chemicals

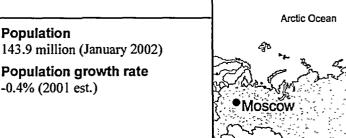
Main imports Machinery and equipment, food products, textiles, chemicals, mineral and metal products

Canadian imports from Russia \$361 million (2001), including fish and seafood, crude oil, iron and steel, fertilizer

Canadian exports to Russia \$290 million (2001), including oil and gas equipment, pork products, building materials

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Minister of Finance and Deputy Prime Minister

Minister of Economic Development and Trade

UN Human Development Index (2002)

Russia ranks 60th among 173 countries

Inflation rate 18.6% (2001)

Igor Ivanov

Alexei Kudrin

German Gref

Unemployment rate 8.9% (2001)

Minister of Foreign Affairs