

ZIMBABWE FACT SHEET

Official Name	Republic of Zimbabwe
Independence Date	April 18, 1980
Area	390,308 square kilometres - 40% arable (of which 6% cultivated)
Population	(1986) - 8.4 million
Capital	Harare - population (1982) 656,000
Language	English (official), ChiShona and SiNdebele
Religion	50% syncretic (part Christian, part indigenous beliefs); 25% Christians 24% indigenous beliefs; 1% Moslem.
Economy	GNP (1985) - US\$ 5.095 billion GNP per capita (1984) - US\$ 740
Government	Constitutional republic with elected British-style Parliament. The President is elected by Parliament for a 6-year term renewable a second time and acts mainly on the advice of his Prime Minister. He appoints the Prime Minister, who is Head of Government.
Currency	Zimbabwean dollar
Zimbabwe Representation	The Zimbabwean High Commissioner in Canada is His Excellency Stanislaus G. Chigwedere. The High Commission is located at 112 Kent St., Suite 1315, Place de Ville, Tower B, Ottawa. Tel.: 237-4388
Canadian Representation	The Canadian High Commissioner to Zimbabwe is Mr. Roger Bull. The High Commission is located at 45 Baines Ave., Harare Tel.: 79-38-01