

FACT SHEET - BRUNEI

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Area: 5,765 sq km**Population:** 226,000 (1986)**Capital:** Bandar Seri Begawan**System of Government:** (Monarchy) Sultanate**Head of State:** Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah**Prime Minister:** Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah**Minister of Finance** (responsible for Trade): Prince Jefri Bolkiah**Language:** Malay, English, Chinese**Ethnic Background:** Malays 65%, Chinese 20%
Indigenous tribes 8%, Indian & others 6%**GDP:** (1987) US \$3.0 B **Per Capita Income:** US \$15,400 **Currency:** Brunei Dollar on par with Spore \$ = Cdn \$0.63**Inflation Rate:** 7.6% (1986) **Unemployment Rate:** N/A **Debt Service Ratio:** Nil**Major Trading Partners (Jan-Dec 1987):****Exports** (Total: US \$1,796.2 million)

1. Japan (\$1.1 b)
2. Thailand (\$0.22 b)
3. Korea (\$0.18 b)
4. Singapore (\$0.11 b)
5. UK (\$0.05 b)

Imports (Total: US \$1,296.9 million)

1. UK (\$0.37 b)
2. Singapore (\$0.37 b)
3. Malaysia (\$0.10 b)
4. USA (\$0.10 b)
5. France (\$0.08 b)

Canadian Trade Statistics: (Cdn \$ '000s)

	1987	1988
Exports	37	232
Imports	192	37
Balance	-155	195

Main Sectors of Opportunity for Canadian Business:

1. Technical education/training programs
2. Fisheries
3. Forestry
4. Communications
5. Electricity generation

EDC Status: on cover**CIDA Status:** not programme country**Resident Canadian Banks:** None**Canadian Reps in Brunei: (resident in Singapore)**

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