PERU

Capital: Lima

GEODATA

Area

1.285.215 km²

Major languages

Spanish, Quechua, Aymará

Major religious group Roman Catholic (90%)

Surrounding countries

Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador

Pacific Ocean

POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Single chamber: Democratic Constituent Congress;

multiparty

Leader

President Alejandro Toledo Manrique

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Diego García-Sayán Larrabure

Minister of the Economy and Finance

Pedro Pablo Kuczynski

Minister of Industry, Tourism, Integration and

International Trade
Raul Diez Canseco

UN Human Development Index (2001)

Peru ranks 73rd among 162 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$17 million (1999–2000)

ECONOMIC DATA

Real GDP

\$54 billion US (2000 est.)

GDP growth rate

3.5% (2000 est.)

GDP per capita \$2,070 US (1999 est.)

Inflation rate

3.8% (2000 est.)

Unemployment rate

7.2% (1999)

Main exports

Copper, zinc, fishmeal, crude petroleum and byproducts, lead, refined silver, coffee

Population

1.6% (1999 est.)

25.7 million (2000 est.)

Population growth rate

Main imports

Machinery, transportation equipment, foodstuffs, petroleum, iron and steel, chemicals

Main exports to Canada

\$188.8 million (2000), including ores (lead and zinc), animal feed, coffee, fats and oils, vegetables, knit apparel, tin and tin articles, wood, fruit and nuts

Main imports from Canada

\$204.6 million (2000), including wheat, machinery, leguminous vegetables, iron and steel products, copper ore, electrical machinery, plastic, vehicles, meat

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