

# Maldives

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Country Official Name: Republic of Maldives  
Capital: Male

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## Geodata

Area: 300 km<sup>2</sup>

Population: 234 371 (92),  
growth 3.7%

Natural Resources: fish

Major Religions: Sunni Muslim

Major Language(s): Divehi  
(dialect of Sinhalese), English



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## Political Data

Type of Government:  
Republic

Leaders:  
President  
Maumoon Abdul Gayoom

Foreign Minister  
Fathulla Jameel

Democratic Institutions:  
Unicameral Citizen's Council

UN Human Development Index:  
112/173 (low)

## Economic Data

GDP (per capita):  
US \$ 770, growth 10.1% (90)

Main Exports:  
fish, clothing

Main Imports:  
capital goods, consumer goods,  
petroleum products

Export to Canada:  
C \$ 95 000 (92)

Import from Canada:  
C \$ 0.10 million (92)

External Debt:  
US \$ 80.4 million (91)

Main Donors:  
no data available

Canadian ODA:  
C \$ 0.33 million (FY 91-92) est.