



The Gambia

Country Official Name: Republic of the Gambia
Capital: Banjul

Geodata

Area: 11 300 km²

Population: 902 089 (92),
growth 3.1%

Natural Resources: fish

Major Religions: 90% Muslim,
9% Christian, 1% indigenous beliefs

Major Language(s): Mandinka,
English (official), Wolof, Fula,
other indigenous languages



Political Data

Type of Government:
Republic

Leaders:
President
Sir Dawda Jawara

Minister of External Affairs
Omar B. Sey

Democratic Institutions:
Unicameral house, multiparty

UN Human Development Index:
167/173 (low)

Economic Data

GDP (per capita):
US \$235 (90), growth 3% (FY 91)

Main Exports:
peanuts, cotton, palm, fish

Main Imports:
foodstuffs, manufactured goods,
fuel, machinery

Export to Canada:
C \$ 0.03 million (92)

Import from Canada:
C \$ 0.15 million (92)

External Debt:
US \$ 350.7 million (91)

Main Donors:
U.K., Switzerland, Austria

Canadian ODA:
C \$ 1.61 million (FY 91-92) est.