

Solomon Islands

Country Official Name: Solomon Islands Capital: Honiara

Geodata

Area: 28 450 km²

Population: 360 010 (92), growth 3.5%

Natural Resources: fish, forests

Major Religions: 34% Anglican, 19% Roman Catholic, remainder Protestant

Major Language(s): Melanesian pidgin, English, 120 indigenous languages



Political Data

Type of Government: Constitutional monarchy (E II)

Leaders: Prime Minister Francis Hilly Billy

Min. of Foreign Affairs and Trade Relations Francis Joseph Saemala

Democratic Institutions: Unicameral legislature

UN Human Development Index: 118/173 (low)

Economic Data

GDP (per capita): US \$ 600, growth 6% (90) est.

Main Exports: fish, timber, copra, palm oil

Main Imports: plant and machinery, fuel, food

Export to Canada: C \$ 0.12 million (92)

Import from Canada: C \$ 0.04 million (92)

External Debt: US \$ 130.3 million (91)

Main Donors: Australia, Japan, U.K.

Canadian ODA: C \$ 0.03 million (FY 93-94) est.