

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Capital: Pretoria

GEODATA

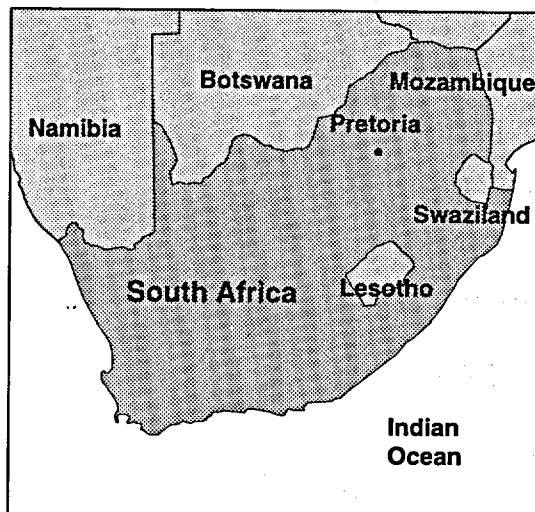
Area
1,140,519 km²

Population
41.89 million (1994)

Population growth
2.62% (1994)

Major languages
Eleven official languages, including English and Afrikaans

Major religions
Christian (68%), Muslim, Hindu, Jewish



POLITICAL DATA

Type of Government
Federal republic

Leader
President Nelson Mandela

Deputy Presidents
Thabo Mbeki and F. W. de Klerk

Foreign Minister
Alfred Nzo

Democratic Institutions
Bicameral parliament

UN Human Development Index
South Africa ranks 95th among 174 countries

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ECONOMIC DATA

GDP
\$115.27 billion US (1994 est.)

GDP growth rate
2.3% (1994)

GDP per capita
\$2,750 US (1994 est.)

Main Exports
Gold, base metals and metal products, coal, diamonds

Main Imports
Machinery, chemicals, motor vehicles, metals and metal products

Main Exports to Canada
\$305.6 million (1994), including metals and minerals, agri-food, textiles, chemicals and chemical products

Main Imports from Canada
\$238.3 million (1994), including transport equipment, machinery, electrical equipment, agri-food, forestry products, metals, minerals, chemicals

Canadian bilateral assistance
\$18.30 million (1993-1994)