## **SWEDEN**

Capital: Stockholm

**G**EODATA

Area

449,964 km<sup>2</sup>

Major language

Swedish

Major religious groups

Evangelical Lutheran (94%), Roman

Catholic (1.5%)

Surrounding countries

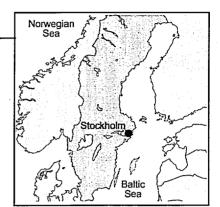
Denmark, Finland, Norway

**Population** 

8.87 million (July 2000 est.)

Population growth rate

0.02% (2000 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Constitutional monarchy

National legislature

Unicameral: Chamber of Deputies (Riksdag);

multiparty

Leaders

King Carl XVI Gustaf

Prime Minister Göran Persson

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Anna Lindh

Minister of Finance

Bosse Ringholm

**UN Human Development Index (2000)** 

Sweden ranks 6th among 174 countries

**ECONOMIC DATA** 

**GDP** 

\$334 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate

2.9% (2000)

Inflation rate

1.1% (2000)

Unemployment rate

4.0% (2000)

**GDP per capita** \$37,618 US (2000)

Main exports

Machinery, motor vehicles, paper products, pulp and wood, iron and steel products, chemicals

Main imports

Machinery, petroleum and petroleum products, chemicals, motor vehicles, iron and steel, foodstuffs, clothing

Main exports to Canada

\$1.8 billion (2000), including machinery (including electrical), pharmaceutical products, vehicles, iron and steel, medical instruments, tools and cutlery, furniture and bedding, plastic

Main imports from Canada

\$355 million (2000), including zinc and lead ores, machinery (including electrical), wood, aircraft/spacecraft (parts), fish and seafood, vehicles, tools and cutlery, medical instruments

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