

NEW ZEALAND

Capital: Wellington

GEODATA

Area

270,534 km²

Major languages

English, Maori

Major religious groups

Anglican (29%), Presbyterian (18%),
Roman Catholic (15%)

Surrounding country

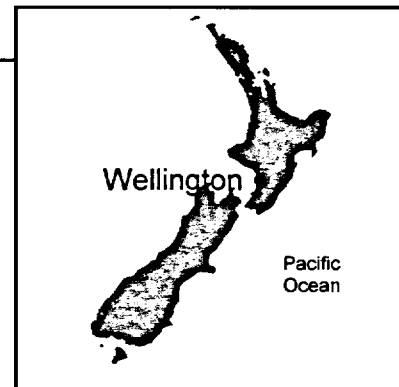
Australia

Population

3.8 million (2000 est.)

Population growth rate

1.2% (2000 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Constitutional monarchy

National legislature

Single chamber: House of Representatives;
multiparty

Leaders

Governor General Michael Hardie Boys

Prime Minister Helen Clark

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Phil Goff

UN Human Development Index (2001)

New Zealand ranks 19th among 162 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$50.1 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate

4.2% (2000 est.)

GDP per capita

\$14,376 US (2000)

Main exports

Beef, fruit, fish, livestock, wool, dairy products, chemicals, forestry products, manufactured goods

Main imports

Petroleum, machinery, motor vehicles, manufactured goods, animal and vegetable oils

Main exports to Canada

\$519 million (2000), including aircraft, meat, dairy products, eggs, honey, edible fruit and nuts, tools, base metal cutlery

Main imports from Canada

\$191 million (2000), including fertilizer, wood, electrical machinery, meat, machinery

Canadian Representative

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