

PHILIPPINES

Capital: Manila

GEODATA

Area

300,439 km²

Major languages

Filipino, English

Major religious groups

Roman Catholic (83%),
Protestant (9%), Muslim (5%)

Surrounding countries

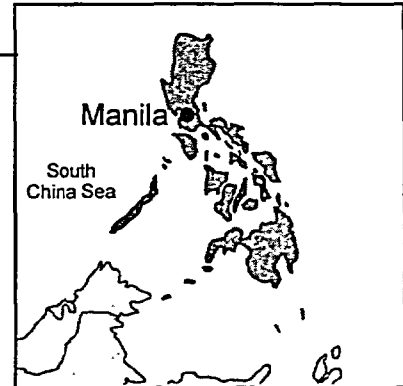
Chinese Taipei, Indonesia, Malaysia

Population

80 million (2002 est.)

Population growth rate

2% (2001 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Upper chamber: Senate
Lower chamber: House of Representatives;
multiparty

Leader

President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo

Secretary of Foreign Affairs

Blas F. Ople

Secretary of Trade and Industry

Manuel A. Roxas II

Secretary of Finance

Jose Isidro N. Camacho

UN Human Development Index (2002)

The Philippines ranks 77th among 173 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$27.13 million (2000-01)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$71.4 billion US (2001)

GDP growth rate

3.4% (2001)

GDP per capita

\$4,360 US (2001, PPP)

Main exports

Electrical and electronic equipment and parts, machinery and transportation equipment, textiles

Main imports

Cereals, ores, metal articles, electrical machinery

Canadian imports from the Philippines

\$981.3 million (2001), including electronics, textiles, machinery, agri-food products, forest products

Canadian exports to the Philippines

\$347.2 million (2001), including agri-food products, forest products, chemicals, base metals

Inflation rate

6.1% (2001)

Unemployment rate

11.2% (June 2002)

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