

SWEDEN

Capital: Stockholm

GEODATA

Area

450,000 km²

Major language

Swedish

Major religious groups

Evangelical Lutheran (94%), Roman Catholic (1.5%)

Surrounding countries

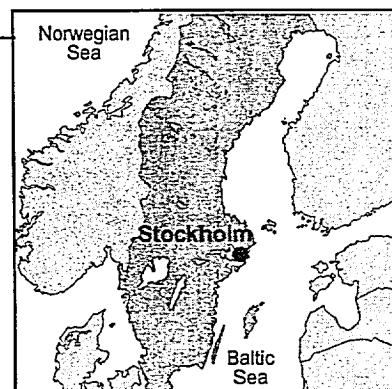
Denmark, Finland, Norway

Population

8.89 million (July 2001 est.)

Population growth rate

0.3% (2001 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Constitutional monarchy

National legislature

Unicameral: Chamber of Deputies; 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 (2001)

Sweden ranks 4th among 162 countries

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$340 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate

4% (2000)

GDP per capita

\$38,293 US (2000)

Inflation rate

1.1% (2000)

Unemployment rate

4% (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

\$1.4 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

\$372 million (2000), including zinc and lead ores, machinery (including electrical), wood, aircraft and spacecraft parts, fish and seafood, vehicles, tools and cutlery, medical instruments

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