

SINGAPORE

Capital: Singapore

GEODATA

Area

647.5 km²

Major languages

English, Chinese, Malay, Tamil

Major religious groups

Buddhist (31%), Taoist (22%),
Muslim (15%), Christian (12%),
Hindu (4%)

Surrounding countries

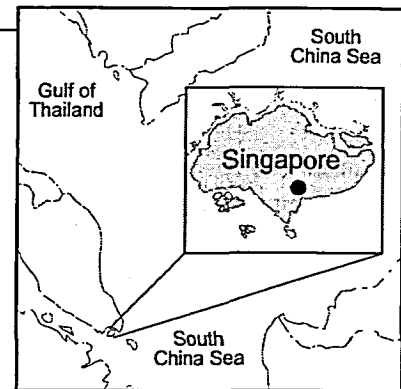
Indonesia, Malaysia

Population

4 million (2000)

Population growth rate

3.5% (2000 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

Type of government

Republic

National legislature

Single chamber: Parliament; multiparty

Leaders

President Sellapan Rama Nathan
Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Shanmugam Jayakumar

Minister for Trade and Industry

George Yon-Boon Yeo

UN Human Development Index (2001)

Singapore ranks 26th among 162 countries

Canadian official development assistance

\$130,000 (2000-01)

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$94.3 billion US (2000)

GDP growth rate

9.9% (2000)

GDP per capita

\$23,575 US (2000)

Main exports

Machinery and equipment, petroleum products, rubber, manufactured goods, processed foods, coconut oil, palm oil, copra

Main imports

Machinery and equipment, mineral fuel, chemicals, manufactured goods, food

Main exports to Canada

\$1.4 billion (2000), including boilers, mechanical machinery, electrical machinery, organic chemicals, optical instruments and equipment, mineral fuel and mineral oil

Main imports from Canada

\$366 million (2000), including boilers, mechanical machinery, electrical machinery, nickel, paper and paperboard, organic chemicals

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