



Azerbaijan

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General Information:

Title	Republic of Azerbaijan	EU Status	Non-member
Capital	Baku		
Total Area	86,600 km ²		
Population	7,911,974		
Currency	1 CAN\$ = 3,859.72 Manats (05/2005)		
National Holiday	May 28, Independence Day (1918)		
Language(s)	Azerbaijani, Russian, Armenian, other		



Political Information:

Type of State Republic

Type of Government

Presidential republic with democratic structures. Unicameral parliament with a 125-seat National Assembly (Milli Meclisi). Prime Minister and Council of Ministers appointed by the President and confirmed by the National Assembly. Administrative units: 59 districts, 11 cities and the autonomous republic of Naxçivan. Governing alliance: New Azerbaijan Party (YAP) and allies.

Head of State

President Ilham Aliyev (YAP)

Head of Government

Prime Minister Artur Rasizade (YAP)

Ministers

Foreign Affairs: Elmar Mammadyarov (YAP)
Finance: Avaz Alakbarov (YAP)
Economic Development: Farhad Aliyev (YAP)

Main Political Parties

New Azerbaijan Party (YAP), Azadlig (Freedom), Yeni Sisayet (YeS – New Policy), Civil Solidarity (VBP), Ana Vatan (AV), Liberal Party, Democratic Reforms Party (DRP), Umid Party, United Popular Front Party (UPF), Great Creation Party (GCP), Social Prosperity Party (SPP), Civil Unity Party (CU).

National Assembly: YAP (58), Azadlig (8), YeS (2), VBP (2), AV (2), Liberal Party (1), DRP (1), Umid (1), UPF (1), SPP (1), CU (1).

Elections

President and members of the National Assembly elected for five-year terms by popular vote. Next presidential election in October 2008; next parliamentary election in 2010.





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Economic Information: (for 2004)

Please note that economic statistics reflect Canadian dollars - yearly averages for 2004. 2005 figures will be available early 2006

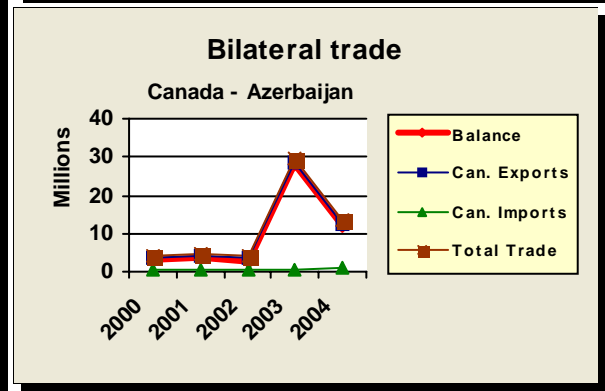
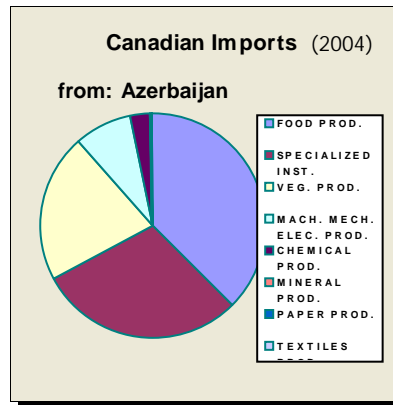
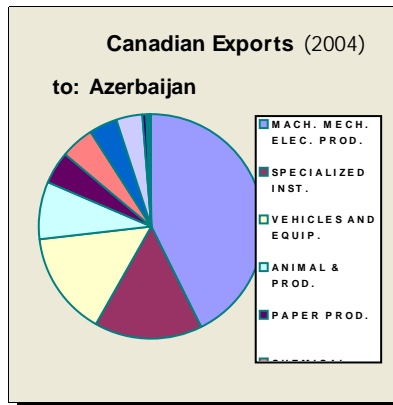
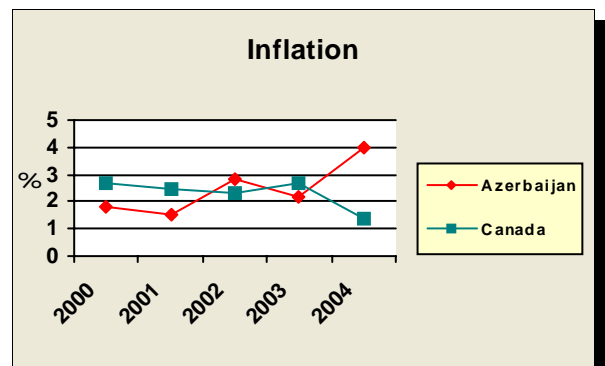
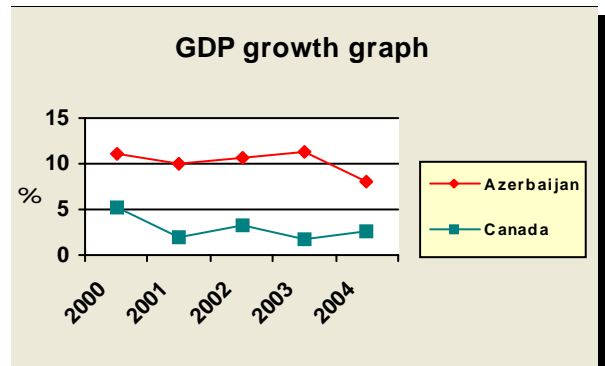
	Azerbaijan	Canada
GDP : (billion)	\$10.46	\$1,238
GDP per capita:	\$1,254	\$38,756
GDP Growth rate: (%)	8.1	2.6
Inflation: (%)	4	1.4
Country unemployment: (%)	n/a	7.4

Canadian exports to country
\$12,632,854

Canadian Imports from country
\$816,561

FDI in Canada: (million) n/a

CDI in this country: (million) n/a



Representation:

Foreign Representation in Canada

Ambassador: Fakhrraddin Gurbanov

Foreign Consulates in Canada

Canadian Representation Abroad

Ambassador: Michael Leir
Ankara (Turkey)

Canadian Consulates Abroad

