

Egypt

Official Title The Arab Republic of Egypt



General Information:

Capital	Cairo (Al-Qahirah)	
Total Area	1,001,450 km ²	Population (million) 72.131
Currency	1 CAN\$=	5.13 Pounds (EGP) (2006)
National Holiday	23 July, National Day	
Language(s)	Arabic	

Political Information:

Type of State Presidential / Parliamentary system

Type of Government

The Cabinet is appointed by the President, but partially responsible to bicameral legislature. The Lower House (People's Assembly or Majlis al-Sha'b), has 454 seats for members who serve five-year terms, 444 of which are elected by popular vote and 10 appointed by the President. The Upper House, the Advisory Council or Majlis al-Shura, which functions in a consultative role has 264 seats for members serving 6 year terms, of whom 176 are elected by popular vote while 88 are appointed by the President.

Head of State

President Hosni Mubarak

Head of Government

Prime Minister Ahmed Nazif

Ministers

Foreign Affairs: Ahmed Ali Abul Gheit
Foreign Trade and Industry: Rashid Mohamed Rashid

Main Political Parties

Principal: National Democratic Party (NDP – 311 MPs).

Minor: The New Wafd Party (6 MPs); Tagamoia Party (2 MPs); Al-Ghad (1 MP).

Not recognized: Muslim Brotherhood (88 "independent" MPs); Al-Wafat; Al-Karameh (2 "independent" MPs).

Elections Advisory Council: 1/2 every 3 years. Last: June 2007 Next: May-June 2010
People's Assembly: Elected every 5 years. Last: Nov.-Dec. 2005 Next: Nov.-Dec.

Economic Information: (2006)

	Egypt	Canada
GDP: (billion)	\$94.68	\$1,124.50
GDP per capita:	\$1,312.60	\$34,513.31
GDP Growth rate: (%)	6.8	2.8
Inflation: (%)	4.2	2
Unemployment: (%)	n/a	6.3

Trade and investment: (2006)

Canadian Exports to Egypt	\$422,082,361
Canadian Imports from Egypt	\$139,248,867
Foreign Direct Investment in Canada	n/a (million)
Canadian Direct Investment to Egypt	\$158 (million)

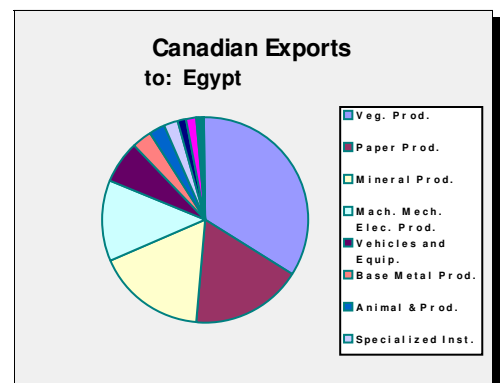
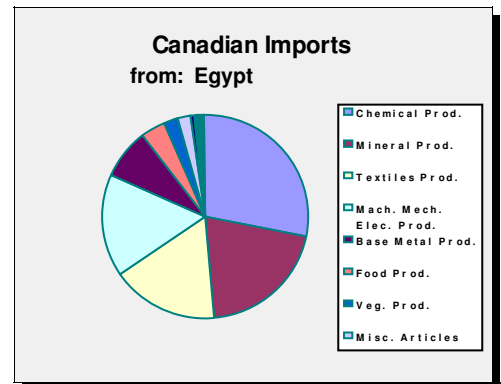
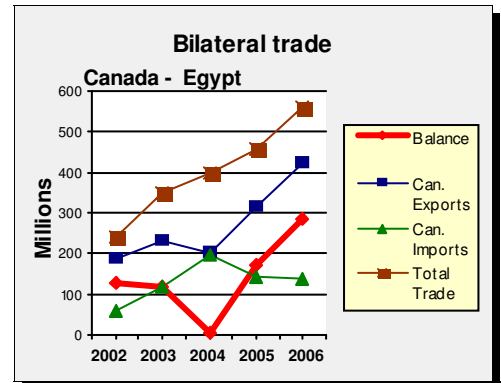
Representation:

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Ambassador Philip MacKinnon



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