

# Holy See

**Official Title** Holy See



## General Information:

**Capital** Vatican City  
**Total Area** 0 km<sup>2</sup>      **Population (million)** n/a  
**Currency** 1 CAN\$= 0.70 EURO (EUR) (2006)  
**National Holiday** October 22, Installation of Pope John Paul II  
**Language(s)** Latin, Italian, and other

## Political Information:

**Type of State**

**Type of Government**

Independent city-state administered by the Curia & ruled by the Pope who retains full executive, legislative & legal powers as governor of Vatican City. Current constitution in effect since 1989. Administrative divisions include Vatican City plus: 13 buildings in Rome located outside Vatican city; the Pope's summer residence in Castel Gandolfo; pontifical sanctuaries of Pompeii, Loreto & Bari. The Holy See has diplomatic relations with 174 states and has 100 apostolic nuncios abroad. The Holy See is a member or observer of most regional and international organizations.

**Head of State** Pope Benedict XVI  
 (Accession 2005)

**Head of Government**  
 His Eminence Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone

**Ministers** Substitute (equivalent to Deputy Prime Minister): His Excellency Mgr. Giovanni Battista Re, Archbishop (Italian); Secretary for Relations with States: Msgr Cardinal Dominique Mamberti

**Main Political Parties**

**Elections** The pope is elected for life by the College of Cardinals. The Secretary of State is appointed by the pope.

## Economic Information: (2006)

	Holy See	Canada
<b>GDP: (billion)</b>	n/a	\$1,446.29
<b>GDP per capita:</b>	n/a	\$44,389.93
<b>GDP Growth rate: (%)</b>	n/a	2.8
<b>Inflation: (%)</b>	n/a	2
<b>Unemployment: (%)</b>	n/a	6.3

## Trade and investment: (2006)

<b>Canadian Exports to Holy See</b>	n/a
<b>Canadian Imports from Holy See</b>	n/a
<b>Foreign Direct Investment in Canada</b>	n/a (million)
<b>Canadian Direct Investment to Holy See</b>	n/a (million)

## Representation:

**Foreign Representation in Canada**

Apostolic Nuncio Mgr Luigi Ventura

**Canadian Representation Abroad**

Ambassador Donald Smith



## Bilateral trade Canada - Holy See

2002 2003 2004 2005 2006

## Canadian Imports from: Holy See

## Canadian Exports to: Holy See

Sources:

Statistics/Industry Canada

<http://strategis.ic.gc.ca>

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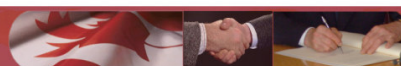
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