

Basic Facts about Latvia (2002)



Population

Estimated population (millions)	2.3
Annual population growth (%)	- 0.5
Population density (persons per km ²)	36.1

Population distribution (%)

Rural	32.2
Urban	67.8

Gender distribution (%)

Males	46
Females	54

Age distribution (%)

0-14	16.0
Of working age (males 15-60, females 15-57)	62.4
Over working age	21.6

Ethnic distribution (%)

Latvians	58.5
Russians	29.0
Belarussians	3.9
Ukrainians	2.6
Poles	2.5
Lithuanians	1.4
Others	2.1

Human Development Index rank (Global HDR 2003)

Adult literacy rate (%)	99.8
Human Development Index rank (Global HDR 2003)	50/175

Health

Average life expectancy (years)	71
Males	65
Females	77
Infant mortality (per 1000 births)	9.8
Number of physicians (per 10,000 inhabitants)	34

Economy

Total GDP (millions of lats)	5195
GDP per capita (lats, at average prices of 2000)	2130
Real GDP per capita (PPP)	8460
Real growth of GDP (%)	6.1
Unemployment rate (% of work force)	8.5

Distribution of employment by sector (%)

Agriculture	15.4
Industry	25.6
Services	59.0

Government expenditures (% of GDP)

Total	38.6
of which: Defence	1.3
Education	7.1
Health	3.6
Social Security	12.4

Average exchange rate of LVL per USD	0.618
Average exchange rate of LVL per EUR	0.583

Land area (km ²)	64,589
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