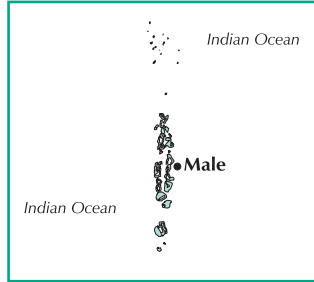


Maldives



Area (km²):	298
Population (millions), 1997:	0.3
Capital:	Male
Official language:	Divehi
Currency:	Maldivian rufiyaa
GNP per capita (\$), 1997:	1,180
Percentage shares in GDP, 1997:	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	..
Industry (including <i>manufacturing</i>)	..
Services (private and public)	..
Gross domestic investment	..
Exports of goods and serv. (% of GDP), 1997:	122.2
Main employer (% of labour force), 1996:	
Services	48

Life expectancy (male/female), 1990-95:	63/61
Infant mortality rate, 1997: (per 1,000 live births)	53
Daily calorie intake per capita (% of regional minimum requirements), 1997:	138.9
Population with access to safe water (%), urban/rural), 1997:	98/50
Adult literacy rate (%), male/female), 1995:	93/93
Transport, 1996 or latest available:	
Road network density (km/1,000 km ²)	..
Railway network density (km/1,000 km ²)	..
Installed electricity capacity, 1995: (kW/1,000 inhabitants)	85
Telephone (units per 1,000 inhabitants), 1996:	63
Number of tourist arrivals, 1997:	366,000
Total exports of goods and serv. (\$ m), 1997:	418
Main export sector (% of total exports), 1995-97:	
Travel	68.8
Main markets for exports (% shares), 1997:	
Developed market economy countries	62.4
<i>Main destination:</i> European Union	22.4
Main sources of imports (% shares), 1997:	
Developing countries	77.9
<i>Main origin:</i> Asia	
Foreign direct investment inflows (\$ m), 1997:	7.7
Total net financial inflows (\$ m), 1997:	37
<i>of which:</i> net ODA (\$ m/%)	26/70.3
External debt (\$ m), 1997:	200
As % of GDP	70
Debt service as % of exports	7