

# Thailand

**Official Title** Kingdom of Thailand



## General Information:

**Capital** Bangkok  
**Total Area** 514,000 km<sup>2</sup> **Population (million)** 66.400  
**Currency** 1 CAN\$= 29.94 Thai Baht (THB)(2009)  
**National Holiday** Birthday of King Bhumibol, 5 December (1927)  
**Language(s)** Thai (official), Yawi, various ethnic languages

## Political Information:

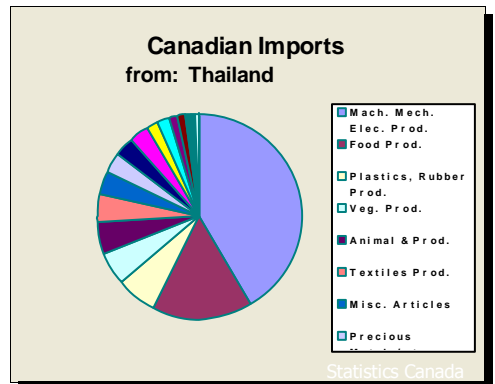
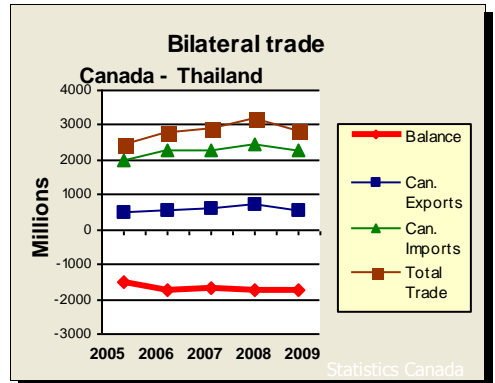
**Type of State**  
**Type of Government**  
 Constitutional Monarchy

**Head of State**  
 His Majesty King BHUMIBOL Adulyadej (King Rama IX)  
**Head of Government**  
 Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva

**Ministers** Foreign Minister: Kasit Piromya  
 Commerce: Pornthiva Nakasai

**Main Political Parties**  
 Phue Thai Party, Democrat Party, Thai Nation Party, For the Motherland Party

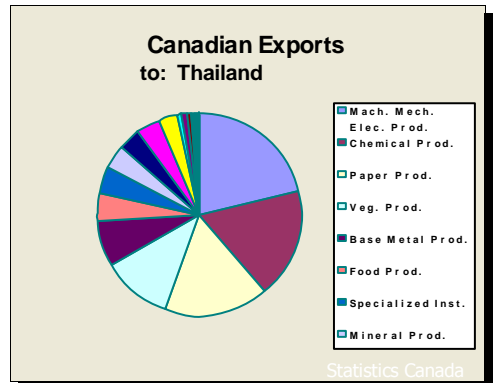
**Elections** General election every four years. Last: December 2007.



## Economic Information: (2008)

IMF/Statistics Canada

	Thailand	Canada
<b>GDP: (billion)</b>	\$291.36	\$1,600.08
<b>GDP per capita:</b>	\$4,388.05	\$48,011.00
<b>GDP Growth rate: (%)</b>	2.59	0.4
<b>Inflation: (%)</b>	5.47	2.3
<b>Unemployment: (%)</b>	n/a	6.1



## Trade and investment: (2008)

Statistics Canada

<b>Canadian Exports: (2009)</b>	\$565,705,743
<b>Canadian Imports: (2009)</b>	\$2,297,971,866
<b>Foreign Direct Investment in Canada</b>	\$5 (million)
<b>Canadian Direct Investment to Thailand</b>	\$1,300 (million)

## Representation:

### Foreign Representation in Canada

Ambassador, His Excellency SNANCHART Devahastin

### Canadian Representation Abroad

Ambassador Ron Hoffmann

Sources:  
 Statistics/Industry Canada  
<http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/tdo-dcd.nsf/eng/Home>  
 IMF  
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