

# Netherlands



Prime Minister: ***Jan Peter Balkenende***  
– Christian Democrat-led coalition

Country area: **41,526 sq km**

Population: **16.5 million**

Capital city: **Amsterdam**

Life expectancy (yrs): **76 (m), 82 (w)**

GDP – per capita: **\$30,300**

Unemployment: **6.6%**

Main exports: **Metal manufacturing, chemicals, foodstuffs**

Religion: Catholic **31%**, Protestant **21%**

Currency: **Euro**

Support for European Union: **72%**