



Croatia

Joining European Union in July 2013
if all 27 member states approve

Full name: **Republic of Croatia**
(*Republika Hrvatska*)

Area: **56,594 sq km**

Population: **4.42 million (2010)**

Population aged 0-14 years: **15%**

Life expectancy: **73 years (men),**
80 years (women)

Background: Independence from Yugoslavia declared in 1991, followed by four years of conflict with Serb-dominated Yugoslav army and near-decade of authoritarian rule by nationalist leader **Franjo Tudjman**

Economy

GDP: **\$60.85 billion (2010)**

GNI per capita: **\$13,870 (2010)**

Inflation: **1.1% (2010)**

Labour force: **1.99m (2009)**

Jobless rate: **12.3% (2010 est.)**

Poverty rate: **11.1% (2004)**

GDP by sector
Agriculture **6.3%,**
industry **28.1%,** services **65.6%**



Prime Minister
Zoran Milanovic

Recent events: Application for EU membership submitted 2003. Accession talks speeded up after 2005 capture of Croatian war crimes suspect **General Ante Gotovina**. NATO membership achieved 2009