

# ***NATO in the World***

The Atlantic Alliance unites fifteen of the most productive countries in the world. Whilst living standards vary within NATO, the income level per head averages twice that of the European Communist countries and is more than three times the world average.

NATO, with a total population of almost 520 million people, represents just over 15% of the world population of 3.4 billions but accounts for more than half of the world's gross national product.

The countries of NATO produce :

- about 58% of the world's electricity.
- 50% of the world's steel.
- more than 80% of the world's automobiles.

NATO'S fifteen nations provide more than 61% of world trade. Nearly 87% of aid to developing countries comes from members of the Alliance.

Over the last ten years economic growth among NATO members has been developing at an average rate of 4.3% a year.

MEMBER COUNTRIES

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UNDER COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT

OTHER COUNTRIES

