Garoua is the third most populated city in Cameroon. The annual growth rate is 2.8%. Projected population growth:

- 2021: Approximately 350,000
- 2030: Approximately 456,000

The city's population is diverse and growing due to high birth rates in the Far North region and an influx of migrants from Chad and Nigeria.

Garoua is located in the Soudano-sahelian agro-ecological zone and has the following climate:

- **TEMPERATURES ARE TYPICALLY HIGH WITH AN AVERAGE OF 28°C**
- **982mm ANNUAL RAINFALL**
- **RAINY SEASON: April to September**
- **DRY SEASON: October to March**

Garoua is the economic hub of North Cameroon. The main economic activities include:

- **AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHING**
- **TRADE (MOSTLY INFORMAL)**
- **PROCESSING HANDICRAFTS AND THE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES**
- **TRANSPORT (MOSTLY MOTO-TAXIS)**

Garoua is the sparkling city at a glance.