

KOSOVO









GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Hashim THACI

Head of Government

Prime Minister Avdullah HOTI

Government Type

parliamentary republic

Capital

Pristina

Legislature

unicameral Assembly or Kuvendi i Kosoves/Skupstina Kosova (120 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the court president and 18 judges and organized into Appeals Panel of the Kosovo Property Agency and Special Chamber); Constitutional Court (consists of the court president, vice president, and 7 judges)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Vlora CITAKU

US Ambassador

Ambassador Philip KOSNETT

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 10,887 sq km Land: 10,887 sq km Water: 0 sq km

Climate

influenced by continental air masses resulting in relatively cold winters with heavy snowfall and hot, dry summers and autumns; Mediterranean and alpine influences create regional variation; maximum rainfall between October and December

Natural Resources

nickel, lead, zinc, magnesium, lignite, kaolin, chrome, bauxite

as of August 2020

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

has shown progress in transitioning to a market-based system and maintaining macroeconomic stability but is still highly dependent on the international community and the diaspora for financial and technical assistance

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$19.6 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$10,900 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$428 million (2017 est.)

partners: Albania 16%, India 14%, Macedonia, The Former Yugo Rep of 12.1%, Serbia 10.6%, Switzerland 5.6%, Germany 5.4% (2017)

Imports

\$3.223 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 12.4%, Serbia 12.3%, Turkey 9.6%, China 9.1%, Italy 6.4%, Macedonia, The Former Yugo Rep of 5.1%, Albania 5%, Greece 4.4% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

1.9 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

0.66% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Albanians 92.9%, Bosniaks 1.6%, Serbs 1.5%, Turk

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1.1%, Ashkali 0.9%, Egyptian 0.7%, Gorani 0.6%, Romani 0.5%, other/unspecified 0.2% (2011 est.)

note: Serb, Romani, and some other ethnic minority populations may be underrepresented because of exclusions in and boycotts during the 2011 national census

Language

Albanian (official) 94.5%, Bosnian 1.7%, Serbian (official) 1.6%, Turkish 1.1%, other 0.9% (includes Romani), unspecified 0.1% (2011 est.)

Religion

Muslim 95.6%, Roman Catholic 2.2%, Orthodox 1.5%, other 0.1%, none 0.1%, unspecified 0.6% (2011 est.)