

BULGARIA









GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Rumen RADEV

Head of Government

Prime Minister Boyko BORISOV

Government Type

parliamentary republic

Capital

Sofia

Legislature

unicameral National Assembly or Narodno Sabranie (240 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court of Cassation (consists of a chairman and approximately 72 judges organized into penal, civil, and commercial colleges); Supreme Administrative Court; Constitutional Court, which resides outside the judiciary

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Tihomir Anguelov STOYTCHEV

US Ambassador

Ambassador Herro MUSTAFA

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 110,879 sq km Land: 108,489 sq km Water: 2,390 sq km

Climate

temperate; cold, damp winters; hot, dry summers

Natural Resources

bauxite, copper, lead, zinc, coal, timber, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

open economy, but its per-capita income remains among the lowest in the EU; reliance on energy imports from Russia, corruption, a weak judiciary, low productivity, lack of transparency in public procurements, and organized crime hamper the investment climate and economic prospects

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$153.5 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$21,800 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$29.08 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 13.5%, Italy 8.3%, Romania 8.2%, Turkey 7.7%, Greece 6.5%, Belgium 4.2%, France 4.1% (2017)

Imports

\$31.43 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 12.3%, Russia 10.3%, Italy 7.3%, Romania 7.1%, Turkey 6.2%, Spain 5.3%, Greece 4.4% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

7 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

-0.65% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Bulgarian 76.9%,

Turkish 8%, Romani 4.4%, other 10.7% (2011 est.)



Language

Bulgarian (official) 76.8%, Turkish 8.2%, Romani 3.8%, other 0.7%, unspecified 10.5% (2011 est.)

Religion

Eastern Orthodox 59.4%, Muslim 7.8%, other (including Catholic, Protestant, Armenian Apostolic Orthodox, and Jewish) 1.7%, none 3.7%, unspecified 27.4% (2011 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 75.7% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: -0.22% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

98.4% (2015)