



DOMINICA



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Charles A. SAVARIN

Head of Government

Prime Minister Roosevelt SKERRIT

Government Type

parliamentary republic

Capital

Roseau

Legislature

unicameral House of Assembly (32 seats)

Judiciary

the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (ECSC), headquartered on St. Lucia, is the superior court of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Vince HENDERSON

US Ambassador

the US does not have an embassy in Dominica, US Ambassador to Barbados Linda S. TAGLIALATELA is accredited to Dominica

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 751 sq km

Land: 751 sq km

Water: negligible

Climate

tropical; moderated by northeast trade winds; heavy rainfall

Natural Resources

timber, hydropower, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

formerly dependent on agriculture – especially bananas – the economy increasingly has been driven by tourism; however, Hurricane Maria in September 2017 damaged or destroyed agricultural crops and transportation infrastructure

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$783 million (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$11,000 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$28 million (2017 est.)

partners: Saudi Arabia 42.6%, Trinidad and Tobago 9.3%, Jamaica 8.1%, St. Kitts and Nevis 7.1%, Guyana 6.7% (2017)

Imports

\$206.6 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 61.3%, Trinidad and Tobago 9.8% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

74,200 (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

0.13% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

black 86.6%, mixed 9.1%, indigenous 2.9%, other 1.3%, unspecified 0.2% (2001 est.)

Language

English (official), French patois

Religion

Roman Catholic 61.4%, Protestant 28.6%, Rastafarian 1.3%, Jehovah's Witness 1.2%, other 0.3%, none 6.1%, unspecified 1.1% (2001 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 71.1% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 0.94% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

