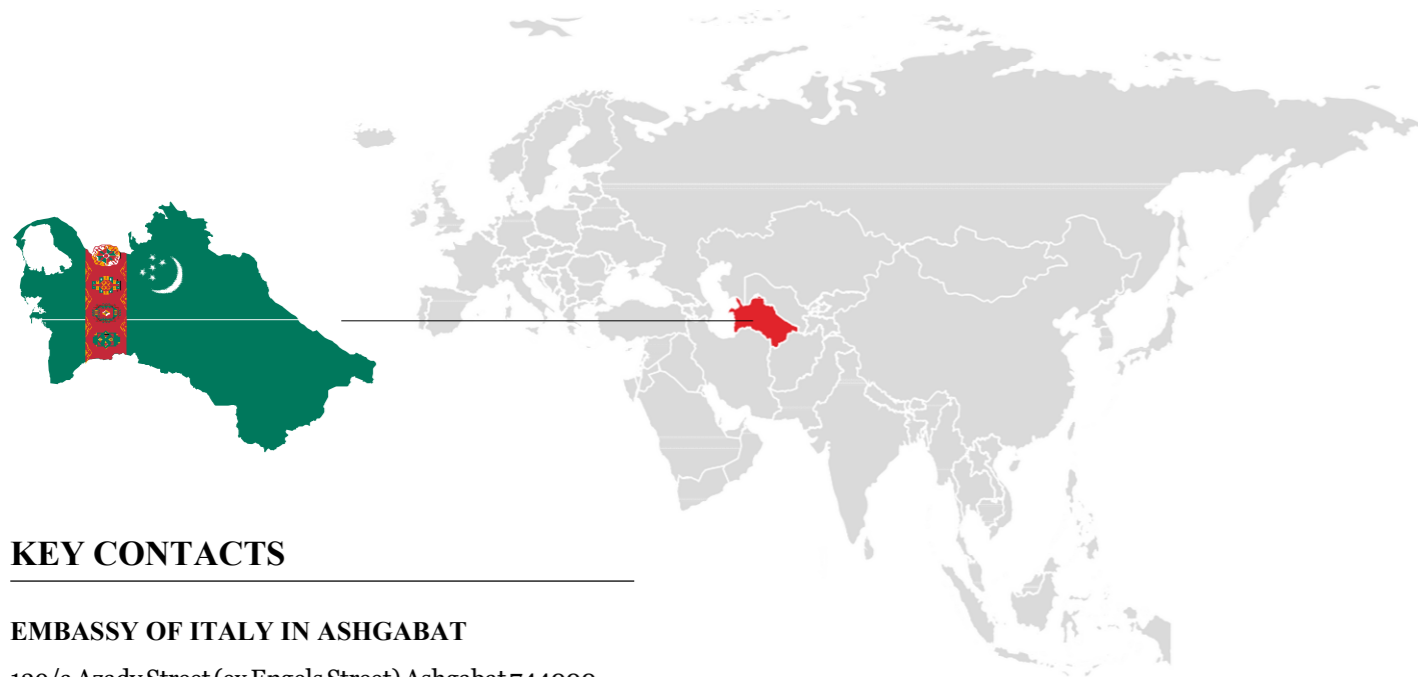


Turkmenistan



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Government

Chief of State: President Gurbanguly BERDIMUHAMEDOW

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Government Type: Presidential Republic; Authoritarian

Capital: Ashgabat (Ashkhabad)

Legislature: Unicameral National Assembly or Mejlis (125 seats)

Judiciary: Supreme Court of Turkmenistan (consists of the court president and 21 associate judges and organized into civil, criminal, and military chambers)

Geography

Area

Total: 488,100 sq km

Land: 469,930 sq km

Water: 18,170 sq km

Climate: Subtropical desert

Natural Resources: Petroleum, natural gas, sulfur, salt

Society & People

Population: 5.5 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth: 1.1% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity: Turkmen 85%, Uzbek 5%, Russian 4%, other 6% (2003)

Language: Turkmen (official) 72%, Russian 12%, Uzbek 9%, other 7%

Religion: Muslim 89%, Eastern Orthodox 9%, unknown 2%

Urbanization:

Urban Population: 52.5% of total population (2020)

Rate of Urbanization: 2.46% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy: 99.7% (2015)

Italian presence: 4

Economy

Economic Overview: Largely a desert country with intensive agriculture in irrigated oases and significant natural gas and oil resources; agriculture occupies nearly half the workforce but only represents 8% of GDP; natural gas exports, mostly to China, make up 25% of GDP

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$103.7 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$18,200 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$7.458 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: China 83.7%, Turkey 5.1% (2017)

Imports

\$4.571 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: Turkey 24.2%, Algeria 14.4%, Germany 9.8%, China 8.9%, Russia 8%, US 6.6% (2017)

