

Jordan



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Government

Chief of State: King ABDALLAH II

Head of Government: Prime Minister Bisher AL-KHASAWNEH

Government Type: Parliamentary Constitutional Monarchy

Capital: Amman

Legislature: Bicameral National Assembly consists of the Senate (65 seats) and the Chamber of Deputies (130 seats)

Judiciary: Court of Cassation or Supreme Court (consists of 15 members, including the chief justice)

Geography

Area

Total: 89,342 sq km

Land: 88,802 sq km

Water: 540 sq km

Climate: Mostly arid desert; rainy season in west (November to April)

Natural Resources: Phosphates, potash, shale oil

Population

Population: 10.8 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth: 1.4% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity: Jordanian 69.3%, Syrian 13.3%, Palestinian 6.7%, Egyptian 6.7%, Iraqi 1.4%, other 2.6% (includes Armenian, Circassian) (2015 est.)

Language: Arabic (official), English (widely understood among upper and middle classes)

Religion: Muslim 97.2% (official; predominantly Sunni), Christian 2.2% (majority Greek Orthodox, but some Greek, Buddhist 0.4%, Hindu 0.1%, Jewish <0.1, folk <0.1, unaffiliated <0.1, other <0.1 (2010 est.)

Urbanization:

Urban Population: 91.4% of total population (2020)

Rate of Urbanization: 2.43% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy: 98.2% (2012)

Italian presence: 1295

Economy

Economic Overview: Economy is among the smallest in the Middle East, with insufficient supplies of water, oil, and other natural resources.

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$89 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$9,200 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$7.511 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: US 24.9%, Saudi Arabia 12.8%, India 8.2%, Iraq 8.2%, Kuwait 5.4%, UAE 4.6% (2017)

Imports

\$15.99 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: China 13.6%, Saudi Arabia 13.6%, US 9.9%, UAE 4.9%, Germany 4.4% (2017)

