

Iran



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Government

Chief of State: Supreme Leader Ali Hoseini-KHAMENEI

Head of Government: President Hasan Fereidun ROHANI

Government Type: Theocratic Republic

Capital: Tehran

Legislature: Unicameral Islamic Consultative Assembly (290 seats)

Judiciary: Supreme Court (consists of the chief justice and organized into 42 two-bench branches, each with a justice and a judge)

Geography

Area

Total: 1.65 million 7 sq km

Land: 1.35 million sq km

Water: 116,600 sq km

Climate: Mostly arid or semiarid, subtropical along Caspian coast

Natural Resources: Petroleum, natural gas, coal, chromium, copper, iron ore, lead, manganese, zinc, sulfur

People & Society

Population: 84.9 million (2021 est.)

Population Growth: 1.1% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity: Persian, Azeri, Kurd, Lur, Baloch, Arab, Turkmen and Turkic tribes

Language: Persian Farsi (official), Azeri and other Turkic dialects, Kurdish, Gilaki and Mazandarani, Luri, Balochi, Arabic est.)

Religion: Muslim (official) 99.4% (Shia 90-95%, Sunni 5-10%), other (includes Zoroastrian, Jewish, and Christian) 0.3%, unspecified 0.4% (2011 est.)

Urbanization:

Urban Population: 75.9% of total population (2020)

Rate of Urbanization: 1.71% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy: 85.5% (2016)

Italian presence: 376

Economy

Economic Overview: Iran's economy is marked by statist policies, inefficiencies, and reliance on oil and gas exports, but Iran also possesses significant agricultural, industrial, and service sectors.

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$1.64 trillion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity):

\$20,100 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$101.4 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: China 27.5%, India 15.1%, South Korea 11.4%, Turkey 11.1%, Italy 5.7%, Japan 5.3% (2017)

Imports

\$76.39 billion (2017 est.)

Partners: UAE 29.8%, China 12.7%, Turkey 4.4%, South Korea 4%, Germany 4% (2017)

