

# **EGYPT**









## INTRODUCTION

The richness of the annual Nile River flood, coupled with semi-isolation provided by deserts to the east and west, allowed for the development of one of the world's great civilizations. A unified kingdom arose circa 3200 B.C. Egypt has been ruled by many nations, becoming independent in 1952.

## **GOVERNMENT**

### **Chief of State**

President Abdelfattah ELSISI

### **Head of Government**

Prime Minister Mostafa MADBOULY

## **Government Type**

presidential republic

# Capital

Cairo

## Legislature

bicameral Parliament consists of Senate or Majlis Al-Shiyoukh (300 seats) and House of Representatives or Majlis Al-Nowaab (596 seats)

## **Ambassador to US**

Ambassador Motaz Mounir ZAHRAN

## **US Ambassador**

Charge d'Affaires John P. DESROCHER

## **GEOGRAPHY**

# Area

Total: 1,001,450 sq km Land: 995,450 sq km Water: 6,000 sq km

# Climate

desert; hot, dry summers with moderate

winters

### **Natural Resources**

petroleum, natural gas, iron ore, phosphates, manganese, limestone, gypsum, talc, asbestos, lead, rare earth elements, zinc

# **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

Africa's second largest economy; 2030 Vision to diversify markets and energy infrastructure; improving fiscal, external, and current accounts; underperforming private sector; poor labor force participation; expanded credit access

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) \$1.264 trillion (2021 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) \$11,600 (2021 est.)

**Industries -** textiles, food processing, tourism, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, hydrocarbons, construction, cement, metals, light manufactures

**Agricultural products -** sugar cane, sugar beets, wheat, maize, tomatoes, rice, potatoes, oranges, onions, milk

**Exports** \$58.34 billion (2021 est.)

refined petroleum, crude petroleum, natural gas, nitrogen fertilizers, gold (2021)

partners: US 8%, Turkey 7%, Greece 7%, Italy 6%, India 5% (2021) Imports \$94.04 billion (2021 est.)

refined petroleum, wheat, cars, crude petroleum, corn, packaged medicines (2021)

**partners:** China 18%, Saudi Arabia 9%, US 6%, Russia 5%, Turkey 5% (2021)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

# **Population**

109.5 million (2023 est.)

## **Population Growth**

1.59% (2023 est.)

## **Ethnicity**

Egyptian 99.7%, other 0.3% (2006 est.)

### Language

Arabic (official), English, and French widely understood by educated classes

## Religion

Muslim (predominantly Sunni) 90%, Christian (majority Coptic Orthodox, other Christians include Armenian Apostolic, Catholic, Maronite, Orthodox, and Anglican) 10%

## Urbanization

urban population: 43.1% of total population (2023)

rate of urbanization: 1.9% annual rate of change (2020-25 est.)