UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President KHALIFA bin Zayid Al-Nuhayyan

Head of Government
Prime Minister Vice President MUHAMMAD BIN RASHID Al-Maktum

Government Type
federation of monarchies

Capital
Abu Dhabi

Legislature
unicameral Federal National Council (FNC) or Majlis al-Ittihad al-Watani (40 seats)

Judiciary
Federal Supreme Court (consists of the court president and 4 judges; jurisdiction limited to federal cases)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Yusif bin Mani bin Said al-UTAYBA

US Ambassador
Ambassador John RAKOLTA Jr.

GEOGRAPHY

Area
Total: 83,600 sq km
Land: 83,600 sq km
Water: 0 sq km

Climate
desert; cooler in eastern mountains

Natural Resources
petroleum, natural gas

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
an open economy with a high per capita income and a sizable annual trade surplus; dependence on oil is a significant long-term challenge

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$696 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$68,600 (2017 est.)

Exports
$308.5 billion (2017 est.)
partners: India 10.1%, Iran 9.9%, Japan 9.3%, China 5.4%, Oman 5%, Switzerland 4.4%, South Korea 4.1% (2017)

Imports
$229.2 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 8.5%, US 6.8%, India 6.6% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
10 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth
1.49% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity
Emirati 11.6%, South Asian 59.4% (includes Indian 38.2%, Bangladeshi 9.5%, Pakistani 9.4%, other 2.3%), Egyptian 10.2%, Filipino 6.1%, other 12.8% (2015 est.)

Language
Arabic (official), English, Hindi, Malayam, Urdu, Pashto, Tagalog, Persian

Religion
Muslim (official) 76%, Christian 9%, other (primarily Hindu and Buddhist) 15% (2005 est.)

note: data represent the total population; as of 2019, immigrants make up about 87.9% of the total population, according to UN data

Urbanization
urban population: 87% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 1.71% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy
93.8% (2015)