AZERBAIJAN

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Ilham ALIYEV
Head of Government
Prime Minister Ali ASADOV
Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
Baku (Baki, Baky)
Legislature
unicameral National Assembly or Milli Mejlis (125 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of 25 judges); Constitutional Court (consists of 9 judges)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Elin SULEYMANOV
US Ambassador
Ambassador Earle LITZENBERGER

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
limited progress with market-based economic reforms; pervasive public and private sector corruption and structural economic inefficiencies remain a drag on long-term growth
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$172.2 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$17,500 (2017 est.)
Exports
$15.15 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Italy 23.2%, Turkey 13.6%, Israel 6.1%, Russia 5.4%, Germany 5%, Czech Republic 4.6%, Georgia 4.3% (2017)
Imports
$9.04 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Russia 17.7%, Turkey 14.8%, China 9.9%, US 8.3%, Ukraine 5.3%, Germany 5.1% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
10.1 million (July 2018 est.)
Population Growth
0.83% (2018 est.)
Ethnicity
Azerbaijani 91.6%, Lezghin 2%, Russian 1.3%, Armenian 1.3%, Talysh 1.3%, other 2.4% (2009 est.)
Language
Azerbaijani (Azeri) (official) 92.5%, Russian 1.4%, Armenian 1.4%, other 4.7% (2009 est.)
note: Russian is widely spoken
Religion
Muslim 96.9% (predominantly Shia), Christian 3%, other <0.1, unaffiliated <0.1 (2010 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 56% of total population (2019)
rate of urbanization: 1.58% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
99.8% (2016)

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 86,600 sq km
Land: 82,629 sq km
Water: 3,971 sq km
Climate
dry, semiarid steppe
Natural Resources
petroleum, natural gas, iron ore, nonferrous metals, bauxite

as of December 2019