GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
King HAMAD bin Isa Al-Khalifa

Head of Government
Prime Minister KHALIFA bin Salman Al-Khalifa

Government Type
constitutional monarchy

Capital
Manama

Legislature
bicameral National Assembly consists of the Consultative Council (40 seats) and the Council of Representatives (40 seats)

Judiciary
Court of Cassation (consists of the chairman and 3 judges)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Abdulla bin Rashid AL KHALIFA

US Ambassador
Ambassador Justin H. SIBERELL

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
oil and natural gas play a dominant role in Bahrain’s economy; despite the government’s past efforts to diversify the economy, oil still comprises 85% of budget revenues

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$71.17 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$49,000 (2017 est.)

Exports
$15.38 billion (2017 est.)
partners: UAE 19.6%, Saudi Arabia 11.7%, US 10.8%, Oman 8.1%, China 6.5%, Qatar 5.7%, Japan 4.2% (2017)

Imports
$16.08 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 8.8%, UAE 7.2%, US 7.1%, Australia 5.3%, Japan 4.8% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
1.5 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth
2.08% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity
Bahraini 46%, Asian 45.5%, other Arab 4.7%, African 1.6%, European 1%, other 1.2% (includes Gulf Co-operative country nationals, North and South Americans, and Oceanians) (2010 est.)

Language
Arabic (official), English, Farsi, Urdu

Religion
Muslim 73.7%, Christian 9.3%, Jewish 0.1%, other 16.9% (2017)

Urbanization
urban population: 89.5% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 4.38% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy
97.5% (2018)