BOTSWANA

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Mokgweetsie Eric MASISI
Head of Government
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Government Type
parliamentary republic
Capital
Gaborone
Legislature
unicameral Parliament consists of the National Assembly (63 seats); note – the House of Chiefs, an advisory body to the National Assembly, consists of 35 members
Judiciary
Court of Appeal, High Court (each consists of a chief justice and a number of other judges as prescribed by the Parliament)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador David John NEWMAN
US Ambassador
Ambassador Craig Lewis CLOUD

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
middle-income country with a heavy reliance on diamond exports; ranks as one of the least corrupt and best places to do business in Sub-Saharan Africa
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$39.01 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$17,000 (2017 est.)
Exports
$5.934 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Belgium 20.3%, India 12.6%, UAE 12.4%, South Africa 11.9%, Singapore 8.7%, Israel 7%, Hong Kong 4.1%, Namibia 4.1% (2017)
Imports
$5.005 billion (2017 est.)
partners: South Africa 66.1%, Canada 8.3%, Israel 5.3% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
2.3 million (July 2020 est.)
Population Growth
1.48% (2020 est.)
Ethnicity
Tswana (or Setswana) 79%, Kalanga 11%, Basarwa 3%, other, including Kgalagadi and white 7% (2011 est.)
Language
Setswana 77.3%, Sekalanga 7.4%, Shekgalagadi 3.4%, English (official) 2.8%, Zezuru/Shona 2%, Sesarwa 1.7%, Sembukushu 1.6%, Ndebele 1%, other 2.8% (2011 est.)
Religion
Christian 79.1%, Badimo 4.1%, other 1.4% (includes Baha’I, Hindu, Muslim, Rastafarian), none 15.2%, unspecified 0.3% (2011 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 70.9% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 2.87% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
88.5% (2015)

as of April 2020