BULGARIA

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Rumen RADEV

Head of Government
Prime Minister Boyko BORISOV

Government Type
parliamentary republic

Capital
Sofia

Legislature
unicameral National Assembly or Narodno Sabranie (240 seats)

Judiciary
Supreme Court of Cassation (consists of a chairman and approximately 72 judges organized into penal, civil, and commercial colleges); Supreme Administrative Court; Constitutional Court, which resides outside the judiciary

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Tihomir Anguelov STOYTCHEV

US Ambassador
Ambassador Herro MUSTAFA

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
open economy, but its per-capita income remains among the lowest in the EU; reliance on energy imports from Russia, corruption, a weak judiciary, low productivity, lack of transparency in public procurements, and organized crime hamper the investment climate and economic prospects

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$153.5 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$21,800 (2017 est.)

Exports
$29.08 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 13.5%, Italy 8.3%, Romania 8.2%, Turkey 7.7%, Greece 6.5%, Belgium 4.2%, France 4.1% (2017)

Imports
$31.43 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 12.3%, Russia 10.3%, Italy 7.3%, Romania 7.1%, Turkey 6.2%, Spain 5.3%, Greece 4.4% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
7 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth
-0.65% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity
Bulgarian 76.9%,
Turkish 8%, Romani 4.4%, other 10.7% (2011 est.)

Language
Bulgarian (official) 76.8%, Turkish 8.2%, Romani 3.8%, other 0.7%, unspecified 10.5% (2011 est.)

Religion
Eastern Orthodox 59.4%, Muslim 7.8%, other (including Catholic, Protestant, Armenian Apostolic Orthodox, and Jewish) 1.7%, none 3.7%, unspecified 27.4% (2011 est.)

Urbanization
urban population: 75.7% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: -0.22% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy
98.4% (2015)

as of August 2020