CHAD

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State/Head of Government
President Idriss DEBY Itno, Lt. Gen. (prime minister position eliminated under 2018 constitution)
Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
N'Djamena
Legislature
unicameral National Assembly (188 seats; 4-year terms)
Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of chief justice, 3 chamber presidents, and 12 judges or councilors; divided into 3 chambers); Constitutional Council (consists of 3 judges and 6 jurists)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Ngote Gali KOUTOU
US Ambassador
Charge d’Affaires Thomas R. GENTON

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
oil provides about 60% of export revenues, while cotton, cattle, livestock, and gum arabic provide the bulk of non-oil export earnings; relies on foreign assistance and foreign capital for most public and private sector investment, but investment is difficult due to limited infrastructure, lack of trained workers, extensive government bureaucracy, and corruption
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$28.62 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$2,300 (2017 est.)
Exports
$2.46 billion (2017 est.)
partners: US 38.7%, China 16.6%, Netherlands 15.7%, UAE 12.2%, India 6.3% (2017)
Imports
$2.16 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 19.9%, Cameroon 17.2%, France 17%, US 5.4%, India 4.9%, Senegal 4.5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
16.9 million (July 2020 est.)
Population Growth
3.18% (2020 est.)
Ethnicity
Sara (Ngambaye/Sara/Madjingaye/Mbaya) 30.5%, Kanembu/Bornu/Buduma 9.8%, Arab 9.7%, Wadai/Maba/Masalit/Mimi 7%, Gorane 5.8%, Masa/Musseye/Musgum 4.9%, many others (2014-15 est.)
Language
French (official), Arabic (official), Sara (in south), more than 120 different languages and dialects
Religion
Muslim 52%, Christian 44% (2014-15 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 23.5% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 3.88% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

as of August 2020