CAMEROON

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Paul BIYA
Head of Government
President Joseph Dion NGUTE
Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
Yaounde
Legislature
bicameral Parliament consists of the Senate (100 seats) and the National Assembly (180 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court of Cameroon (consists of 9 titular and 6 surrogate judges); Constitutional Council (consists of 11 members)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Henri ETOUNDI ESSOMBA
US Ambassador
Ambassador Paul Henry BARLERIN

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
market-based, diversified economy; oil main export commodity that accounts for nearly 40% of exports; generally unfavorable climate for business enterprise
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$89.54 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$3,700 (2017 est.)
Exports
$4.732 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Netherlands 15.6%, France 12.6%, China 11.7%, Belgium 6.8%, Italy 6.3%, Algeria 4.8%, Malaysia 4.4% (2017)
Imports
$4.812 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 19%, France 10.3%, Thailand 7.9%, Nigeria 4.1% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
27.7 million (July 2020 est.)
Population Growth
2.78% (2020 est.)
Ethnicity
Bamileke-Bamu 24.3%, Beti/Bassa, Mbam 21.6%, Biu-Mandara 14.6%, Arab-Choa/Hausa/Kanuri 11%, Adamawa-Ubangi, 9.8%, Grassfields 7.7%, Kako, Meka/Pygmy 3.3%, Cotier/Ngoe/Oroko 2.7%, Southwestern Bantu 0.7%, foreign/other ethnic group 4.5% (2018 est.)
Language
24 major African language groups, English (official), French (official)
Religion
Roman Catholic 38.3%, Protestant 25.5%, other Christian 6.9%, Muslim 24.4%, animist 2.2%, other 0.5%, none 2.2% (2018 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 57.6% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 3.63% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
77.1% (2018)

as of April 2020

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 475,440 sq km
Land: 472,710 sq km
Water: 2,730 sq km
Climate
varies with terrain, from tropical along coast to semiarid and hot in north
Natural Resources
petroleum, bauxite, iron ore, timber, hydropower