CUBA

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President of the Council of State and President of the Council of Ministers Miguel Díaz-Canel Bermúdez
Head of Government
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Government Type
communist state
Capital
Havana
Legislature
unicameral National Assembly of People’s Power or Asamblea Nacional del Poder Popular (605 seats)
Judiciary
People’s Supreme Court (consists of court president, vice president, 41 professional justices, and lay judges)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Jose Ramon CABANAS Rodriguez
US Ambassador
Ambassador (vacant); Charge d’Affaires Mara TEKACH

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
the government continues to balance loosening its socialist economic system against a desire for firm political control by allowing private ownership of real estate and new vehicles, allowing private farmers to sell agricultural goods, and adopting a new foreign investment law
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$137 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$12,300 (2017 est.)
Exports
$2.63 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Venezuela 17.8%, Spain 12.2%, Russia 7.9%, Lebanon 6.1%, Indonesia 4.5%, Germany 4.3% (2017)
Imports
$11.06 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 22%, Spain 14%, Russia 5%, Brazil 5%, Mexico 4.9%, Italy 4.8%, US 4.5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
11.1 million (July 2018 est.)
Population Growth
-0.27% (2018 est.)
Ethnicity
white 64.1%, mulatto or mixed 26.6%, black 9.3% (2012 est.)
note: data represent racial self-identification from Cuba's 2012 national census
Language
Spanish (official)
Religion
nominally Roman Catholic 85%, Protestant, Jehovah's Witnesses, Jewish, Santeria
note: prior to CASTRO assuming power
Urbanization
urban population: 77% of total population (2018)
rate of urbanization: 14% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
99.8% (2015 est.)

as of February 2019

GOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 110,860 sq km
Land: 109,820 sq km
Water: 1,040 sq km
Climate
tropical; moderated by trade winds; dry season (November to April); rainy season (May to October)
Natural Resources
cobalt, nickel, iron ore, chromium, copper, salt, timber, silica, petroleum, arable land

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