EL SALVADOR

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Nayib Armando BUKELE Ortez

Head of Government
President Nayib Armando BUKELE Ortez

Government Type
presidential republic

Capital
San Salvador

Legislature
unicameral Legislative Assembly or Asamblea Legislativa (84 seats)

Judiciary
Supreme Court or Corte Suprema de Justicia (consists of 15 judges assigned to constitutional, civil, penal, and administrative conflict divisions)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Werner Matias ROMERO Guerra

US Ambassador
Ambassador Ronald D. JOHNSON

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
benefits greatly from the Dominican Republic-Central American Free Trade Agreement and a Millennium Challenge Corporation compact but still depends on remittances for nearly one fifth of its GDP

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$51.17 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$8,000 (2017 est.)

Exports
$4.662 billion (2017 est.)
partners: US 45.7%, Honduras 13.9%, Guatemala 13.5%, Nicaragua 6.7%, Costa Rica 4.6% (2017)

Imports
$9.499 billion (2017 est.)
partners: US 36.7%, Guatemala 10.5%, China 8.7%, Mexico 7.4%, Honduras 6.7% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
6.5 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth
0.83% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity
mestizo 86.3%, white 12.7%, Amerindian 0.2% (includes Lenca, Kakawira, Nahua-Pipil), black 0.1%, other 0.6% (2007 est.)

Language
Spanish (official), Nawat (among some Amerindians)

Religion
Roman Catholic 50%, Protestant 36%, other 2%, none 12% (2014 est.)

Urbanization
urban population: 73.4% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 1.57% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy
88.5% (2017)

as of September 2020