GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Hashim THACI
Head of Government
Prime Minister Avdullah HOTI
Government Type
parliamentary republic
Capital
Pristina
Legislature
unicameral Assembly or Kuvendi i Kosoves/Skupstina Kosova (120 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of the court president and 18 judges and organized into Appeals Panel of the Kosovo Property Agency and Special Chamber); Constitutional Court (consists of the court president, vice president, and 7 judges)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Vlora CITAKU
US Ambassador
Ambassador Philip KOSNETT

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
has shown progress in transitioning to a market-based system and maintaining macroeconomic stability but is still highly dependent on the international community and the diaspora for financial and technical assistance
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$19.6 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$10,900 (2017 est.)
Exports
$428 million (2017 est.)
partners: Albania 16%, India 14%, Macedonia, The Former Yugo Rep of 12.1%, Serbia 10.6%, Switzerland 5.6%, Germany 5.4% (2017)
Imports
$3.223 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 12.4%, Serbia 12.3%, Turkey 9.6%, China 9.1%, Italy 6.4%, Macedonia, The Former Yugo Rep of 5.1%, Albania 5%, Greece 4.4% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
1.9 million (July 2020 est.)
Population Growth
0.66% (2020 est.)
Ethnicity
Albanians 92.9%, Bosniaks 1.6%, Serbs 1.5%, Turk 1.1%, Ashkali 0.9%, Egyptian 0.7%, Gorani 0.6%, Romani 0.5%, other/unspecified 0.2% (2011 est.)
note: Serb, Romani, and some other ethnic minority populations may be underrepresented because of exclusions in and boycotts during the 2011 national census
Language
Albanian (official) 94.5%, Bosnian 1.7%, Serbian (official) 1.6%, Turkish 1.1%, other 0.9% (includes Romani), unspecified 0.1% (2011 est.)
Religion
Muslim 95.6%, Roman Catholic 2.2%, Orthodox 1.5%, other 0.1%, none 0.1%, unspecified 0.6% (2011 est.)

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 10,887 sq km
Land: 10,887 sq km
Water: 0 sq km
Climate
influenced by continental air masses resulting in relatively cold winters with heavy snowfall and hot, dry summers and autumns; Mediterranean and alpine influences create regional variation; maximum rainfall between October and December
Natural Resources
nickel, lead, zinc, magnesium, lignite, kaolin, chrome, bauxite

as of August 2020