KAZAKHSTAN

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Kassym-Jomart TOKAYEV
Head of Government
Prime Minister Askar MAMIN
Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
Nur-Sultan
Legislature
bicameral Parliament consists of the
Senate (49 seats) and the Mazhilis (107 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court of the Republic (consists of 44 members); Constitutional Council (consists of the chairman and 6 members)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Yerzhan KAZYKHANOV
US Ambassador
Ambassador William MOSER

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 2,724,900 sq km
Land: 2,699,700 sq km
Water: 25,200 sq km
Climate
continental, cold winters and hot summers, arid and semiarid
Natural Resources
major deposits of petroleum, natural gas, coal, iron ore, manganese, chrome ore, nickel, cobalt, copper, molybdenum, lead, zinc, bauxite, gold, uranium

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
vast hydrocarbon and mineral reserves; substantial fossil fuel reserves and other minerals and metals, including uranium, copper, and zinc; large agricultural sector featuring livestock and grain
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$478.6 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$26,300 (2017 est.)
Exports
$49.29 billion (2017 est.)
partners Italy 17.9%, China 11.9%, Netherlands 9.8%, Russia 9.3%, Switzerland 6.4%, France 5.9% (2017)
Imports
$31.85 billion (2017 est.)
partners Russia 38.9%, China 16.1%, Germany 5.1%, US 4.3% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
19.1 million (July 2020 est.)
Population Growth
0.89% (2020 est.)
Ethnicity
Kazakh (Qazaq) 68%, Russian 19.3%, Uzbek 3.2%, Ukrainian 1.5%, Uighur 1.5%, Tatar 1.1%, German 1%, other 4.4% (2019 est.)
Language
Kazakh (official, Qazaq) 83.1% (understand spoken language) and trilingual (Kazakh, Russian, English) 22.3% (2017 est.); Russian (official, used in everyday business, designated the "language of interethic communication") 94.4% (understand spoken language) (2009 est.)
Religion
Muslim 70.2%, Christian 26.2% (mainly Russian Orthodox), other 0.2%, atheist 2.8%, unspecified 0.5% (2009 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 57.7% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 1.29% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)