MAURITIUS

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Pritivirajsing ROOPUN

Head of Government
Prime Minister Pravind JUGNAUTH

Government Type
parliamentary republic

Capital
Port Louis

Legislature
unicameral National Assembly or Assemblee Nationale (70 seats)

Judiciary
Supreme Court of Mauritius (consists of the chief justice, a senior puisne judge, and 18 puisne judges)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Sooroojdev PHOKERR

US Ambassador
Ambassador David D. REIMER

ECONOMY

since independence in 1968, Mauritius’ economy has undergone a remarkable economic transformation from a low-income, agriculturally based economy to a diversified, upper middle-income economy; industrial, financial, and tourist sectors are growing

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$28.27 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$22,300 (2017 est.)

Exports
$2.36 billion (2017 est.)
partners: France 16.7%, US 12.5%, UK 12%, South Africa 9%, Madagascar 6.7%, Italy 6.6%, Spain 5.2% (2017)

Imports
$4.98 billion (2017 est.)
partners: India 17.9%, China 15.7%, France 11.1%, South Africa 9.7% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
1.4 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth
0.57% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity
Indo-Mauritian (compose approximately two thirds of the total population), Creole, Sino-Mauritian, Franco-Mauritian

Language
Creole 86.5%, Bhojpuri 5.3%, French 4.1%, two languages 1.4%, other 2.6% (includes English, the official language of the National Assembly) (2011 est.)

Religion
Hindu 48.5%, Roman Catholic 26.3%, Muslim 17.3%, other Christian 6.4%, other 0.6%, none 0.7%, unspecified 0.1% (2011 est.)

Urbanization
urban population: 40.8% of total population (2019)
rate of urbanization: 0.11% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

as of December 2019