PERU

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Martin Alberto VIZCARRA Comejo
Head of Government
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Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
Lima
Legislature
unicameral Congress of the Republic of Peru or Congreso de la Republica del Peru (130 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of 16 judges and divided into civil, criminal, and constitutional-social sectors)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Carlos Jose PAREJO Rios
US Ambassador
Ambassador Krishna R. URs

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
Peru's economy reflects its varied topography - an arid lowland coastal region, the central high sierra of the Andes, and the dense rain forest of the Amazon; a wide range of important mineral resources, including silver and copper, found in the mountainous regions and coastal waters provide excellent fishing grounds
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$430.3 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$13,500 (2017 est.)
Exports
$44.92 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 26.5%, US 15.2%, Switzerland 5.2%, South Korea 4.4%, Spain 4.1%, India 4.1% (2017)
Imports
$38.65 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 22.3%, US 20.1%, Brazil 6%, Mexico 4.4% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
31.3 million (July 2018 est.)
Population Growth
0.94% (2018 est.)
Ethnicity
mestizo (mixed Amerindian and white) 60.2%, Amerindian 25.8%, white 5.9%, African descent 3.6%, other 1.2%, unspecified 3.3% (2017 est.)
Language
Spanish (official) 82.9%, Quechua (official) 13.6%, Aymara (official) 1.6%, Ashaninka 0.3%, other native languages 0.8%, other 0.2%, none .1%, unspecified .7% (2017 est.)
Religion
Roman Catholic 60%, Christian 14.6%, other 0.3%, none 4%, unspecified 21.1% (2017 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 77.9% of total population (2018)
rate of urbanization: 1.44% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
94.2% (2016 est.)

as of February 2019