**SUDAN**

**GOVERNMENT**

Chief of State/Head of Government in transition; a Sovereignty Council of military officials and a civilian alliance assumed leadership until elections can be held

Government Type presidential republic

Capital Khartoum

Legislature government is in transition until elections can be held in 2022

Judiciary National Supreme Court (consists of 70 judges organized into panels of 3 judges); Constitutional Court (9 justices)

Ambassador to US Ambassador Nureldin Mohamed Hamed SATTI

US Ambassador Charge d’Affaires Brian SHUKAN

**ECONOMY**

Economic Overview suffering from protracted social conflict and the loss of three quarters of its oil production due to the secession of South Sudan; struggling to stabilize its economy and make up for the loss of foreign exchange earnings; world’s largest exporter of gum Arabic, producing 75-80% of the world’s total output; agriculture employs 80% of the work force

**GEOGRAPHY**

Area

- Total: 1,861,484 sq km
- Land: 1,731,671 sq km
- Water: 129,813 sq km

Climate hot and dry; arid desert; rainy season varies by region (April to November)

Natural Resources petroleum; small reserves of iron ore, copper, chromium ore, zinc, tungsten, mica, silver, gold; hydropower

**PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

Population 45.6 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth 2.69% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity unspecified Sudanese Arab (approximately 70%), Fur, Beja, Nuba, Fallata

Language Arabic (official), English (official), Nubian, Ta Bedawie, Fur

Religion Sunni Muslim, small Christian minority

Urbanization urban population: 35.3% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 3.17% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy 60.7% (2018)

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