GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
King CARL XVI GUSTAF
Head of Government
Prime Minister Stefan LOFVEN
Government Type
parliamentary constitutional monarchy
Capital
Stockholm
Legislature
unicameral Parliament or Riksdag (349 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court of Sweden (consists of 16 justices, including the court chairman);
Supreme Administrative Court (consists of 18 justices, including the court president)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Karin Ulrika OLOFSDOTTER
US Ambassador
Ambassador (vacant); Charge d’Affaires ad interim Clifford G. BOND

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 450,295 sq km
Land: 410,335 sq km
Water: 39,960 sq km
Climate
temperate in south with cold, cloudy winters and cool, partly cloudy summers; subarctic in north
Natural Resources
iron ore, copper, lead, zinc, gold, silver, tungsten, uranium, arsenic, feldspar, timber, hydropower

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
Sweden’s small, open, and competitive economy, which remains outside of the euro zone, has been thriving, and Sweden has achieved an enviable standard of living, with its combination of free-market capitalism and extensive welfare benefits
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$518 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$51,200 (2017 est.)
Exports
$165.6 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 11%, Norway 10.2%, Finland 6.9%, US 6.9%, Denmark 6.9%, UK 6.2%, Netherlands 5.5%, China 4.5%, Belgium 4.4%, France 4.2% (2017)
Imports
$153.2 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 18.7%, Netherlands 8.9%, Norway 7.7%, Denmark 7.2%, China 5.5%, UK 5.1%, Finland 4.7%, Belgium 4.7% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
10 million (July 2018 est.)
Population Growth
0.8% (2018 est.)
Ethnicity
Swedish 81.5%, Syrian 1.7%, Finnish 1.5%, Iraqi 1.4%, other 13.9% (2017 est.)
Language
Swedish (official)
note: Finnish, Sami, Romani, Yiddish, and Meankieli are official minority languages
Religion
Church of Sweden (Lutheran) 61.8%, other (includes Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Baptist, Muslim, Jewish, and Buddhist) 8.2%, none or unspecified 30% (2016 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 87.4% of total population (2018)
risk of urbanization: 1.05% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

as of February 2019