YEMEN

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Abd Rabuh Mansur HADI

Head of Government
Prime Minister Maeen Abd al-Malik SAEED

Government Type
in transition

Capital
Sanaa

Legislature
bicameral Parliament or Majlis consists of the Shura Council or Majlis Alshoora (111 seats) and the House of Representatives or Majlis al Nuwaab (301 seats)

Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of the president of the Court, 2 deputies, and nearly 50 judges)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Ahmad Awadh BIN MUBARAK

US Ambassador
Ambassador Christopher HENZEL

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
a low-income country struggling to stabilize its economy in the face of armed conflict, a severe humanitarian crisis, declining water resources, and food scarcity; will require significant international assistance

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$73.63 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$2,500 (2017 est.)

Exports
$384.5 million (2017 est.)
partners: Egypt 29.4%, Thailand 16.7%, Belarus 13.5%, Oman 10.5%, UAE 6.5%, Saudi Arabia 5% (2017)

Imports
$4.079 billion (2017 est.)
partners: UAE 12.2%, China 12.1%, Turkey 8.7%, Brazil 7.3%, Saudi Arabia 6.5%, Argentina 5.5%, India 4.7% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
29.9 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth
2.04% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity
predominantly Arab; also Afro-Arab, South Asian, European

Language
Arabic (official); note: a distinct Socotri language is widely used on Socotra Island and Archipelago; Mahri is still fairly widely spoken in eastern Yemen

Religion
Muslim 99.1% (official; virtually all are citizens, an estimated 65% are Sunni and 35% are Shia), other 0.9% (many are refugees or temporary foreign residents) (2010 est.)

Urbanization
urban population: 37.9% of total population (2020)
rate of urbanization: 4.06% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy
70.1% (2015)

as of August 2020