ARGENTINA

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Mauricio MACRI
Head of Government
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Government Type
presidential republic
Capital
Buenos Aires
Legislature
bicameral National Congress or Congreso Nacional consists of the Senate (72 seats) and the Chamber of Deputies (257 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court or Corte Suprema (consists of the court president, vice-president, and 5 judges)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Fernando ORIS DE ROA
US Ambassador
Ambassador Edward Charles PRADO

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
suffered recurring economic crises during most of the 20th century, but now beginning a transformation towards a more liberal economic order, taking advantage of its rich natural resources, highly literate population, export-orientation, and diversified industry
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$920.2 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$20,900 (2017 est.)
Exports
$59.69 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Brazil 16.1%, US 7.9%, China 7.5%, Chile 4.4% (2017)
Imports
$60.78 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Brazil 26.9%, China 18.5%, US 11.3%, Germany 4.9% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
44.3 million (July 2017 est.)
Population Growth
0.91% (2017 est.)
Ethnicity
European (mostly Spanish and Italian descent) and mestizo (mixed European and Amerindian ancestry) 97.2%, Amerindian 2.4%, African 0.4% (2010 est.)
Language
Spanish (official), Italian, English, German, French, indigenous (Mapudungun, Quechua)
Religion
nominally Roman Catholic 92% (less than 20% practicing), Protestant 2%, Jewish 2%, other 4%
Urbanization
urban population: 91.9% of total population (2018)
rate of urbanization: 1.07% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)
Literacy
98.1%

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 2,780,400 sq km
Land: 2,736,690 sq km
Water: 43,710 sq km
Climate
mostly temperate; arid in southeast; subantarctic in southwest
Natural Resources
fertile plains of the pampas, lead, zinc, tin, copper, iron ore, manganese, petroleum, uranium, arable land

as of September 2018