GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Enrique PENA NIETO

Head of Government
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Government Type
federal presidential republic

Capital
Mexico City

Legislature
Bicameral National Congress or Congreso de la Union consists of the Senate or Camara de Senadores (128 seats) and the Chamber of Deputies or Camara de Diputados (500 seats)

Judiciary
Supreme Court of Justice or Suprema Corte de Justicia de la Nacion (consists of the chief justice and 11 justices and organized into civil, criminal, administrative, and labor panels)

Ambassador to US
Ambassador Geronimo GUTIERREZ Fernandez

US Ambassador
Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires William H. DUNCAN

GEOGRAPHY

Area
Total: 1,964,375 sq km
Land: 1,943,945 sq km
Water: 20,430 sq km

Climate
varies from tropical to desert

Natural Resources
petroleum, silver, copper, gold, lead, zinc, natural gas, timber

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
124.6 million (July 2017 est.)

Population Growth
1.12% (2017 est.)

Ethnicity
mestizo (Amerindian-Spanish) 62%, predominantly Amerindian 21%, Amerindian 7%, other 10% (mostly European) (2012 est.)

Language
Spanish only 92.7%, Spanish and indigenous languages 5.7%, indigenous only 0.8%, unspecified 0.8%

note: indigenous languages include various Mayan, Nahuatl, and other regional languages (2005)

Religion
Roman Catholic 82.7%, Pentecostal 1.6%, Jehovah's Witness 1.4%, other Evangelical Churches 5%, other 1.9%, none 4.7%, unspecified 2.7% (2010 est.)

Urbanization
urban population: 80.8% of total population (2018)
rate of urbanization: 1.22% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
since the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) entered into force in 1994, Mexico's $2.4 trillion economy – 11th-largest in the world - has increasingly focused on manufacturing; the government's emphasis on economic reforms aims to improve competitiveness and economic growth in the long term

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$2.406 trillion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$19,000 (2017 est.)

Exports
$406.5 billion (2017 est.)
partners: US 79.9% (2017)

Imports
$417.3 billion (2017 est.)
partners: US 46.4%, China 17.7%, Japan 4.3% (2017)

as of July 2018