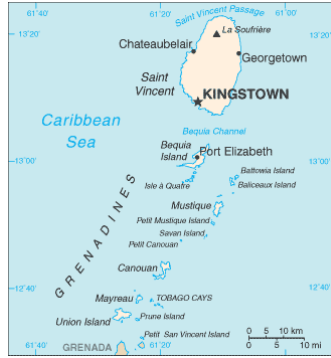


# SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

Queen ELIZABETH II represented by Governor General Susan DOUGAN

### Head of Government

Prime Minister Ralph E. GONSALVES

### Government Type

parliamentary democracy (Parliament) under a constitutional monarchy; a Commonwealth realm

### Capital

Kingstown

### Legislature

unicameral House of Assembly (23 seats)

### Judiciary

the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (ECSC), headquartered on St. Lucia, is the superior court of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Lou-Anne Gaylene GILCHRIST

### US Ambassador

the US does not have an embassy in Grenada, US Ambassador to Barbados Linda S. TAGLIALATELA is accredited to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 389 sq km (Saint Vincent 344 sq km)

Land: 389 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

### Climate

tropical; little seasonal temperature variation; rainy season (May to November)

### Natural Resources

hydropower, arable land

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

success of this lower-middle-income economy hinges upon seasonal variations in agriculture, tourism, and construction activity, as well as remittances; banana production, in particular, remains vulnerable to natural shocks

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$1.265 billion (2017 est.)

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$11,500 (2017 est.)

### Exports

\$48.6 million (2017 est.)

partners: Jordan 40.7%, France 12.5%, Barbados 7%, Saint Lucia 6.8%, Antigua and Barbuda 5.7%, US 5.5%, Trinidad and Tobago 4.7% (2017)

### Imports

\$295.9 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 36.8%, Trinidad and Tobago 19.1%, UK 7%, China 5.8% (2017)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

101,390 (July 2020 est.)

### Population Growth

-0.22% (2020 est.)

### Ethnicity

African descent 71.2%, mixed 23%, indigenous 3%, East Indian/Indian 1.1%, European 1.5%, other 0.2% (2012 est.)

### Language

English, Vincentian Creole English, French patois

### Religion

Protestant 75%, Roman Catholic 6.3%, Rastafarian 1.1%, Jehovah's Witness 0.8%, other 4.7%, none 7.5%, unspecified 4.7% (2012 est.)

### Urbanization

urban population: 53% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 1.03% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

