



# RWANDA



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Paul KAGAME

### Head of Government

Prime Minister Edouard NGIRENTE

### Government Type

presidential republic

### Capital

Kigali

### Legislature

bicameral Parliament consists of the Senate or Senat (26 seats) and the Chamber of Deputies or Chambre des Deputes (80 seats)

### Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the chief and deputy chief justices and 15 judges); High Court (consists of the court president, vice president, and a minimum of 24 judges)

### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Mathilde MUKANTABANA

### US Ambassador

Ambassador Peter H. VROOMAN

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 26,338 sq km

Land: 24,668 sq km

Water: 1,670 sq km

### Climate

temperate; two rainy seasons (February to April, November to January); mild in mountains with frost and snow possible

### Natural Resources

gold, cassiterite (tin ore), wolframite (tungsten ore), methane, hydropower, arable land

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

agriculture, minerals, and agro-processing account for about 63% of export earnings; tourism, minerals, coffee, and tea are main sources of foreign exchange; food production often does not keep pace with demand, requiring food imports

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$24.68 billion (2017 est.)

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$2,100 (2017 est.)

### Exports

\$1.05 billion (2017 est.)

partners: UAE 38.3%, Kenya 15.1%, Switzerland 9.9%, Democratic Republic of the Congo 9.5%, US 4.9%, Singapore 4.5% (2017)

### Imports

\$1.92 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 20.4%, Uganda 11%, India 7.2%, Kenya 7.1%, Tanzania 5.3%, UAE 5.1% (2017)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

12.7 million (July 2020 est.)

### Population Growth

2% (2020 est.)

### Ethnicity

Hutu, Tutsi, Twa (Pygmy)

### Language

Kinyarwanda (official, universal Bantu vernacular) 93.2%, French (official) <.1, English (official) <.1, Swahili/Kiswahili (official, used in commercial centers) <.1, more than one language, other 6.3%, unspecified 0.3% (2002 est.)

### Religion

Protestant 49.5% (includes Adventist 11.8% and other Protestant 37.7%), Roman Catholic 43.7%, Muslim 2%, other 0.9% (includes Jehovah's Witness), none 2.5%, unspecified 1.3% (2012 est.)

### Urbanization

urban population: 17.4% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 2.86% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

### Literacy

69.4% (2018)

