INTRODUCTION
In 1918, the Slovenes joined the Serbs and Croats in forming a new multinational state, which was named Yugoslavia in 1929. After World War II, Slovenia was one of the communist republics in the restored Yugoslavia. Slovenes succeeded in establishing their independence in 1991.

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
President Borut PAHOR
Head of Government
President Janez JANSA
Government Type
parliamentary republic
Capital
Ljubljana
Legislature
bicameral Parliament consists of the National Council or Drzavni Svet (40 seats) and the National Assembly or Drzavni Zbor (90 seats)

GEOGRAPHY
Area
Total: 20,273 sq km
Land: 20,151 sq km
Water: 122 sq km
Climate
Mediterranean climate on the coast, continental climate with mild to hot summers and cold winters in the plateaus and valleys to the east
Natural Resources
lignite, lead, zinc, building stone, hydropower, forests

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
high-income, fast-growing EU-member economy; high human capital; key health infrastructure investments; high government spending; key Croatian investments; high-technology and manufacturing sectors; growing financial hub
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) $76.75 billion (2020 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) $36,500 (2020 est.)
Industries - ferrous metallurgy, aluminum products, lead/zinc smelting, electronics, trucks/automobiles, electric power equipment, wood products, textiles, chemicals, machine tools
Agricultural products - milk, maize, wheat, grapes, barley, potatoes, poultry, apples, beef, pork
Exports $41.73 billion (2020 est.)
packaged medicines, cars/vehicle parts, refined petroleum, electrical lighting/signaling equipment, electricity (2019)
partners: Germany 18%, Italy 11%, Croatia 8%, Austria 7%, France 5%, Switzerland 5% (2019)
Imports $36.6 billion (2020 est.)
packaged medicines, cars/vehicle parts, refined petroleum, delivery trucks, electricity (2019)
partners: Germany 14%, Italy 12%, Austria 8%, Switzerland 8%, China 7% (2019)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
2.1 million (July 2021 est.)
Population Growth
-0.03% (2021 est.)
Ethnicity
Slovene 83.1%, Serb 2%, Croat 1.8%, Bosniak 1.1%, other or unspecified 12% (2002 est.)
Language
Slovene (official) 91.1%, Serbo-Croatian 4.5%, other or unspecified 4.4%, Italian (official in municipalities where Italian national communities reside), Hungarian (official in municipalities where Hungarian national communities reside) (2002 est.)
Religion
Catholic 57.8%, Muslim 2.4%, Orthodox 2.3%, other Christian 0.9%, unaffiliated 3.5%, other, unspecified, or none 33.1% (2002 est.)

as of October 2021