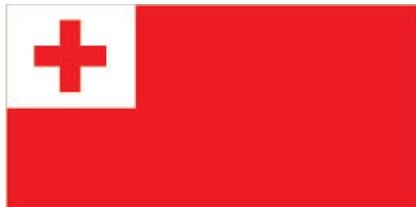




TONGA



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

King TUPOU VI

Head of Government

Prime Minister Pohiva TU'IONETOA

Government Type

constitutional monarchy

Capital

Nuku'alofa

Legislature

unicameral Legislative Assembly or Fale Alea
(up to 30 seats)

Judiciary

Court of Appeal (consists of the court president
and a number of judges determined by the
monarch)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Mahe'uli'uli Sandhurst
TUPOUNIUA

US Ambassador

the US does not have an embassy in Tonga;
the US Ambassador to Fiji is accredited to
Tonga

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 747 sq km

Land: 717 sq km

Water: 30 sq km

Climate

tropical; modified by trade winds; warm season
(December to May), cool season (May to
December)

Natural Resources

arable land, fish

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

a small, open island economy having a narrow export base in
agricultural goods; remains dependent on external aid and
remittances from overseas Tongans to offset its trade deficit

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$591 million (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$5,900 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$18.4 million (2017 est.)

partners: Hong Kong 25.1%, NZ 22.6%, US 14.3%, Japan 12.8%,
Australia 10.5% (2017)

Imports

\$250.2 million (2017 est.)

partners: NZ 33.3%, Fiji 11.7%, US 9.8%, Singapore 9%,
Australia 8.9%, China 7.9%, Japan 5.9% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

106,100 (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

-0.16% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Tongan 97%,
part-Tongan 0.8%,
other 2.2%,
unspecified (2016 est.)

Language

Tongan and English 76.8%, Tongan, English, and other language
10.6%, Tongan only (official) 8.7%, English only (official) 0.7%,
other 1.7%, none 2.2% (2016 est.)

Religion

Protestant 64.1%, Mormon 18.6%, Roman Catholic 14.2%, other
2.4%, none 0.5%, unspecified 0.1% (2016 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 23.1% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: -0.71% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

99.4% (2015)

