



GERMANY



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Frank-Walter STEINMEIER

Head of Government

Chancellor Angela MERKEL

Government Type

federal parliamentary republic

Capital

Berlin

Legislature

bicameral Parliament or Parlament consists of the Federal Council or Bundesrat (69 seats) and the Federal Diet or Bundestag (709 seats)

Judiciary

Federal Court of Justice (court consists of 127 judges); Federal Constitutional Court or Bundesverfassungsgericht (27 members)

Ambassador to US

Emily Margarethe HABER

US Ambassador

Ambassador Richard GRENELL

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 357,022 sq km
Land: 348,672 sq km
Water: 8,350 sq km

Climate

temperate and marine; cool, cloudy, wet winters and summers; occasional warm mountain (foehn) wind

Natural Resources

coal, lignite, natural gas, iron ore, copper, nickel, uranium, potash, salt, construction materials, timber, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

fifth-largest economy in the world in PPP terms and Europe's largest; leading exporter of machinery, vehicles, chemicals, and household equipment; highly skilled labor force; country's budget and trade surpluses are likely to remain high

GDP Purchasing Power Parity

\$4.4 trillion (2018)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$53,209 (2018)

Exports

\$1.56 trillion (2018)

partners: US 8.7%, France 8.0%, China 7.1%, Netherlands 6.4%, UK 6.2%, Italy 5.3%, Austria 4.8%, Poland 4.8%, Switzerland 4.1% (2018)

Imports

\$1.24 trillion (2018)

partners: Netherlands 13.2%, China 6.9%, France 6.4%, Belgium 6.0%, Italy 5.6%, Poland 5.5%, Czechia 4.8%, US 4.5%, Austria 4.2%, (2018)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

80.5 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth

-0.17% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

German 87.2%, Turkish 1.8%, Polish 1%, Syrian 1%, other 9% (2017 est.)

Language

German (official)

Religion

Roman Catholic 27.7%, Protestant 25.5%, Muslim 5.1%, Orthodox 1.9%, other Christian 1.1%, other .9%, none 37.8% (2018 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 77.4% of total population (2019)

rate of urbanization: 0.27% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

