



# MAURITIUS



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Pritivirajsing ROOPUN

### Head of Government

Prime Minister Pravind JUGNAUTH

### Government Type

parliamentary republic

### Capital

Port Louis

### Legislature

unicameral National Assembly or Assemblée Nationale (70 seats)

### Judiciary

Supreme Court of Mauritius (consists of the chief justice, a senior puisne judge, and 18 puisne judges)

### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Soorojdev PHOKERR

### US Ambassador

Ambassador David D. REIMER

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 2,040 sq km

Land: 2,030 sq km

Water: 10 sq km

### Climate

tropical, modified by southeast trade winds; warm, dry winter (May to November); hot, wet, humid summer (November to May)

### Natural Resources

arable land, fish

## ECONOMY

since independence in 1968, Mauritius' economy has undergone a remarkable economic transformation from a low-income, agriculturally based economy to a diversified, upper middle-income economy; industrial, financial, and tourist sectors are growing

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$28.27 billion (2017 est.)

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$22,300 (2017 est.)

### Exports

\$2.36 billion (2017 est.)

partners: France 16.7%, US 12.5%, UK 12%, South Africa 9%, Madagascar 6.7%, Italy 6.6%, Spain 5.2% (2017)

### Imports

\$4.98 billion (2017 est.)

partners: India 17.9%, China 15.7%, France 11.1%, South Africa 9.7% (2017)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

1.4 million (July 2018 est.)

### Population Growth

0.57% (2018 est.)

### Ethnicity

Indo-Mauritian (compose approximately two thirds of the total population), Creole, Sino-Mauritian, Franco-Mauritian

### Language

Creole 86.5%, Bhojpuri 5.3%, French 4.1%, two languages 1.4%, other 2.6% (includes English, the official language of the National Assembly) (2011 est.)

### Religion

Hindu 48.5%, Roman Catholic 26.3%, Muslim 17.3%, other Christian 6.4%, other 0.6%, none 0.7%, unspecified 0.1% (2011 est.)

### Urbanization

urban population: 40.8% of total population (2019)

rate of urbanization: 0.11% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

