



INDONESIA



INTRODUCTION

The Dutch began to colonize Indonesia in the early 17th century. Independence came in 1949. Indonesia is now the world's third most populous democracy, the world's largest archipelagic state, and the world's largest Muslim-majority nation.

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Joko WIDODO

Head of Government

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Government Type

presidential republic

Capital

Jakarta

Legislature

bicameral People's Consultative Assembly or Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat consists of the Regional Representative Council or Dewan Perwakilan Daerah (136 seats) and the House of Representatives or Dewan Perwakilan Rakyat (575 seats)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

total: 1,904,569 sq km
land: 1,811,569 sq km
water: 93,000 sq km

Climate

tropical; hot, humid; more moderate in highlands

Natural Resources

petroleum, tin, natural gas, nickel, timber, bauxite, copper, fertile soils, coal, gold, silver

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

one of the fastest growing economies and largest in Southeast Asia; upper middle-income country; human capital and competitiveness phase of its 20-year development plan; COVID-19 reversed poverty reduction trajectory; strengthening financial resilience

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) \$3.13 trillion (2020 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) \$11,400 (2020 est.)

Industries - petroleum, natural gas, textiles/apparel, automotive, electrical appliances, mining, cement, medical instruments/appliances, handicrafts, chemical fertilizers, plywood

Agricultural products - oil palm fruit, rice, maize, sugarcane, coconuts, cassava, bananas, eggs, poultry, rubber

Exports \$178.3 billion (2020 est.)

coal, palm oil, natural gas, cars, gold (2019)

partners: China 15%, US 10%, Japan 9%, Singapore 8%, India 7%, Malaysia 5% (2019)

Imports \$159.6 billion (2020 est.)

refined and crude petroleum, vehicle parts, telephones, natural gas (2019)

partners: China 27%, Singapore 12%, Japan 8%, Thailand 5%, US 5%, South Korea 5%, Malaysia 5% (2019)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

275.1 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth

0.81% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity

Javanese 40.1%,
Sundanese 15.5%, Malay 3.7%, Batak 3.6%, Madurese 3%,
Betawi 2.9%, other 31.2% (2010 est.)

Language

Bahasa Indonesia (official, modified form of Malay), English, Dutch, local dialects (of which the most widely spoken is Javanese); more than 700 languages are used in Indonesia

Religion

Muslim 87.2%, Protestant 7%, Roman Catholic 2.9%, Hindu 1.7%, other 0.9% (includes Buddhist and Confucian), unspecified 0.4% (2010 est.)

