



BAHRAIN



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

King HAMAD bin Isa Al-Khalifa

Head of Government

Prime Minister KHALIFA bin Salman Al-Khalifa

Government Type

constitutional monarchy

Capital

Manama

Legislature

bicameral National Assembly consists of the Consultative Council (40 seats) and the Council of Representatives (40 seats)

Judiciary

Court of Cassation (consists of the chairman and 3 judges)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Abdulla bin Rashid AL KHALIFA

US Ambassador

Ambassador Justin H. SIBERELL

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 760 sq km

Land: 760 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

Climate

arid; mild, pleasant winters; very hot, humid summers

Natural Resources

oil, associated and nonassociated natural gas, fish, pearls

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

oil and natural gas play a dominant role in Bahrain's economy; despite the government's past efforts to diversify the economy, oil still comprises 85% of budget revenues

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$71.17 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$49,000 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$15.38 billion (2017 est.)

partners: UAE 19.6%, Saudi Arabia 11.7%, US 10.8%, Oman 8.1%, China 6.5%, Qatar 5.7%, Japan 4.2% (2017)

Imports

\$16.08 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 8.8%, UAE 7.2%, US 7.1%, Australia 5.3%, Japan 4.8% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

1.5 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

2.08% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Bahraini 46%, Asian 45.5%, other Arab 4.7%, African 1.6%, European 1%, other 1.2% (includes Gulf Co-operative country nationals, North and South Americans, and Oceanians) (2010 est.)

Language

Arabic (official), English, Farsi, Urdu

Religion

Muslim 73.7%, Christian 9.3%, Jewish 0.1%, other 16.9% (2017)

Urbanization

urban population: 89.5% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 4.38% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

97.5% (2018)

