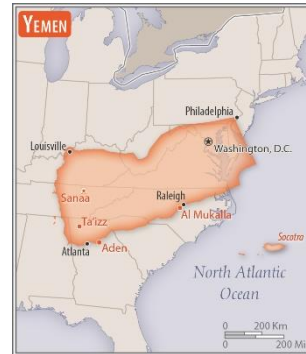




YEMEN



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Abd Rabuh Mansur HADI

Head of Government

Prime Minister Maeen Abd al-Malik SAEED

Government Type

in transition

Capital

Sanaa

Legislature

bicameral Parliament or Majlis consists of Shura Council or Majlis Alshoora (111 seats) and House of Representatives or Majlis al Nuwaab (301 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the president of the Court, 2 deputies, and nearly 50 judges)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Ahmad Awadh BIN MUBARAK

US Ambassador

Ambassador Matthew H. TUELLER

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 527,968 sq km

Land: 527,968 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

Climate

mostly desert; hot and humid along west coast; temperate in western mountains affected by seasonal monsoon; extraordinarily hot, dry, harsh desert in east

Natural Resources

petroleum, fish, rock salt, marble; small deposits of coal, gold, lead, nickel, and copper; fertile soil in west

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

a low-income country struggling to stabilize its economy in the face of armed conflict, a severe humanitarian crisis, declining water resources, and food scarcity; Yemen will require significant international assistance

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$73.63 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$2,500 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$384.5 million (2017 est.)

partners: Egypt 29.4%, Thailand 16.7%, Belarus 13.5%, Oman 10.5%, UAE 6.5%, Saudi Arabia 5% (2017)

Imports

\$4.079 billion (2017 est.)

partners: UAE 12.2%, China 12.1%, Turkey 8.7%, Brazil 7.3%, Saudi Arabia 6.5%, Argentina 5.5%, India 4.7% (2017)

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Population

28.7 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth

2.17% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

predominantly Arab; but also Afro-Arab, South Asian, European

Language

Arabic (official); note: a distinct Socotri language is widely used on Socotra Island and Archipelago; Mahri is still fairly widely spoken in eastern Yemen

Religion

Muslim 99.1% (official; virtually all are citizens, an estimated 65% are Sunni and 35% are Shia), other 0.9% (many are refugees or temporary foreign residents) (2010 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 36.6% of total population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 4.06% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

70.1% (2015 est.)

