



# RUSSIA



## INTRODUCTION

Founded in the 12th century, the Principality of Muscovy emerged from over 200 years of Mongol domination and gradually conquered and absorbed surrounding principalities. In the early 17th century, Russia continued this policy of expansion across Siberia to the Pacific. Communists under Vladimir LENIN seized power soon after the 1917 revolution and formed the USSR, which dissolved in December 1991 into Russia and 14 other independent states.

## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Vladimir Vladimirovich PUTIN

### Head of Government

Premier Mikhail Vladimirovich MISHUSTIN

### Government Type

semi-presidential federation

### Capital

Moscow

### Legislature

bicameral Federal Assembly consists of the Federation Council (170 seats) and the State Duma (450 seats)

### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Anatoliy Ivanovich ANTONOV

### US Ambassador

Ambassador Lynne M. TRACY

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 17,098,242 sq km

Land: 16,377,742 sq km

Water: 720,500 sq km

### Climate

subarctic in Siberia to tundra climate in the polar north; winters vary from cool along Black Sea coast to frigid in Siberia; summers vary from warm in the steppes to cool along the Arctic coast

### Natural Resources

oil, natural gas; coal; strategic minerals, including bauxite and rare earth elements; timber

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

natural resource-rich Eurasian economy; leading energy exporter; decreased oil export reliance; endemic corruption, Ukrainian invasion, and lack of green infrastructure limit investment and have led to sanctions

**GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)** \$4.027 trillion (2022 est.)

**GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)** \$27,500 (2022 est.)

**Industries** - mining/extractive industries (coal, oil, gas, chemicals, metals), machine building (including high-performance aircraft, space vehicles), defense industries (including radar, missile production, advanced electronic components), shipbuilding

**Agricultural products** - wheat, sugar beets, milk, potatoes, barley, sunflower seed, maize, poultry, oats, soybeans

**Exports** \$631.6 billion (2022 est.)

crude and refined petroleum, natural gas, coal, wheat, iron (2021)  
**partners:** China 15%, Netherlands 8%, US 6%, UK 5%, Italy 5% (2021)

**Imports** \$349.2 billion (2022 est.)

cars/vehicle parts, packaged medicines, broadcasting equipment, aircraft, computers (2021)

**partners:** China 25%, Germany 12%, Belarus 6%, South Korea 4%, Poland 3% (2021)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

141.7 million (2023 est.)

### Population Growth

-0.48% (2023 est.)

### Ethnicity

Russian 77.7%, Tatar 3.7%, Ukrainian 1.4%, Bashkir 1.1%, Chuvash 1%, Chechen 1%, other 10.2%, unspecified 3.9% (2010 est.)

### Language

Russian (official) 85.7%, Tatar 3.2%, Chechen 1%, other 10.1% (2010 est.)

### Religion

Russian Orthodox 15-20%, Muslim 10-15%, other Christian 2% (2006 est.)