

NIGERIA











INTRODUCTION

Africa's most populous country attained independence from Britain in 1960. Adoption of a new constitution in 1999 completed a peaceful transition to civilian rule. The government continues to face the daunting task of institutionalizing democracy and reforming a petroleum-based economy.

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Bola TINBU

Head of Government

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Government Type

federal presidential republic

Capital

Abuja

Legislature

bicameral National Assembly consists of the Senate (109 seats) and the House of Representatives (360 seats)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Uzoma Elizabeth EMENIKE

US Ambassador

Charge d'Affaires David GREENE

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 923,768 sq km Land: 910,768 sq km Water: 13,000 sq km

Climate

varies; equatorial in south, tropical in center, arid in north

Natural Resources

natural gas, petroleum, tin, iron ore, coal, limestone, niobium, lead, zinc, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

largest African market economy; enormous but mostly lower middle income labor force; major oil exporter; key telecommunications and finance industries; susceptible to global energy price shocks; regional leader in critical infrastructure; primarily agrarian employment

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) \$1.05 trillion (2021 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) \$4,900 (2021 est.)
Industries - crude oil, coal, tin, columbite, rubber products, wood,

hides/skins, textiles, cement/other construction materials, food products, footwear, chemicals, fertilizer, printing, ceramics, steel

Agricultural products - cassava, yams, maize, oil palm fruit, rice, vegetables, sorghum, groundnuts, fruit, sweet potatoes

Exports \$50.86 billion (2021 est.)

crude petroleum, natural gas, scrap vessels, cocoa beans, refined petroleum (2021)

partners: India 16%, Spain 12%, US 6%, France 6%, China 5% (2021)

Imports \$66.11 billion (2021 est.)

refined petroleum, wheat, cars, packaged medicines, broadcasting equipment, telephones (2021)

partners: China 36%, India 8%, Netherlands 7%, United States 7%, Belgium 4% (2021)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

230.8 million (2023 est.)

Population Growth

2.53% (2023 est.)

Ethnicity

Hausa 30%, Yoruba 15.5%, Igbo (Ibo) 15.2%, Fulani 6%, Tiv 2.4%, Kanuri/Beriberi 2.4%, Ibibio 1.8%, Ijaw/Izon 1.8%, other 24.9% (2018 est.)

Language

English (official), Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo (Ibo), Fulani, over 500 additional indigenous languages

Religion

Muslim 53.5%, Roman Catholic 10.6%, other Christian 35.3%, other 0.6% (2018 est.)