



# SENEGAL



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Macky SALL

### Head of Government

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### Government Type

presidential republic

### Capital

Dakar

### Legislature

unicameral National Assembly or *Assemblée Nationale* (165 seats)

### Judiciary

Supreme Court or *Cour Supreme* (consists of the court president and 12 judges);  
Constitutional Council or *Conseil Constitutionnel* (consists of 7 members)

### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Mansour KANE

### US Ambassador

Ambassador Tulinabo S. MUSHINGI

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 196,722 sq km  
Land: 192,530 sq km  
Water: 4,192 sq km

### Climate

tropical; hot, humid; rainy season (May to November) has strong southeast winds; dry season (December to April) dominated by hot, dry, harmattan wind

### Natural Resources

fish, phosphates, iron ore

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

driven by mining, construction, tourism, fisheries and agriculture, which are primary sources of employment in rural areas; key export industries include phosphate mining, fertilizer production, agricultural products and commercial fishing; reached a growth rate of 7% in 2017, due to strong

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$54.8 billion (2017 est.)

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$3,500 (2017 est.)

### Exports

\$2.36 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Mali 14.8%, Switzerland 11.4%, India 6%, Cote d'Ivoire 5.3%, UAE 5.1%, Gambia, The 4.2%, Spain 4.1% (2017)

### Imports

\$5.22 billion (2017 est.)

partners: France 16.3%, China 10.4%, Nigeria 8%, India 7.2%, Netherlands 4.8%, Spain 4.2% (2017)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

15.7 million (July 2020 est.)

### Population Growth

2.31% (2020 est.)

### Ethnicity

Wolof 37.1%, Pular 26.2%, Serer 17%, Mandinka 5.6%, Jola 4.5%, Soninke 1.4%, other 8.3% (includes Europeans and persons of Lebanese descent) (2017 est.)

### Language

French (official), Wolof, Pular, Jola, Mandinka, Serer, Soninke

### Religion

Muslim 95.9% (most adhere to one of the four main Sufi brotherhoods), Christian 4.1% (mostly Roman Catholic) (2016 est.)

### Urbanization

urban population: 48.1% of total population (2020)  
rate of urbanization: 3.73% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

### Literacy

51.9% (2017)

