

# HAITI









Haiti - 2016

# **GOVERNMENT**

#### **Chief of State**

President Jovenel MOISE

#### **Head of Government**

Prime Minister Joseph JOUTHE

#### **Government Type**

semi-presidential republic

# Capital

Port-au-Prince

# Legislature

bicameral legislature or le Corps Legislatif ou parlement consists of le Senat or the Senate (30 seats) and la Chambre de deputes or the Chamber of Deputies (119 seats)

# **Judiciary**

Supreme Court or Cour de Cassation (consists of a chief judge and other judges)

#### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Paul Getty ALTIDOR

# **US Ambassador**

Ambassador Michele SISON

# **GEOGRAPHY**

#### Area

Total: 27,750 sq km Land: 27,560 sq km Water: 190 sq km

#### Climate

tropical; semiarid where mountains in east cut off trade winds

#### **Natural Resources**

bauxite, copper, calcium carbonate, gold, marble, hydropower, arable land

# **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

poorest country in the Western Hemisphere; two-fifths of all Haitians depend on an agricultural sector that is vulnerable to damage from frequent natural disasters

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$19.97 billion (2017 est.)

# **GDP** per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$1,800 (2017 est.)

# **Exports**

\$980.2 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 80.6%, Dominican Republic 4.9% (2017)

#### **Imports**

\$3.618 billion (2017 est.)

partners: US 20.7%, China 18.8%, Indonesia 8.5% (2017)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

# **Population**

11.1 million (July 2020 est.)

#### **Population Growth**

1.26% (2020 est.)

#### **Ethnicity**

black 95%, mixed and white 5%

# Language

French (official), Creole (official)

# Religion

Roman Catholic 54.7%, Protestant 28.5%, vodou 2.1%, other 4.6%, none 10.2% (2003 est.)

note: many Haitians practice elements of vodou in addition to another religion, most often Roman Catholicism; vodou was recognized as an official religion in 2003

# Urbanization

urban population: 57.1% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 2.9% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

#### Literacy

61.7% (2016)

