

# KIRIBATI









## **GOVERNMENT**

#### **Chief of State**

President Taneti MAAMAU

#### **Head of Government**

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#### **Government Type**

presidential republic

# Capital

Tarawa

# Legislature

unicameral House of Assembly or Maneaba Ni Maungatabu (46 seats)

#### **Judiciary**

High Court (consists of a chief justice and other judges as prescribed by the president)

# **Ambassador to US**

Ambassador Teburoro TITO

#### **US Ambassador**

the US does not have an embassy in Kiribati; the US Ambassador to Fiji is accredited to Kiribati

#### **GEOGRAPHY**

#### Area

Total: 811 sq km Land: 811 sq km Water: 0 sq km

## Climate

tropical; marine, hot and humid, moderated by trade winds

## **Natural Resources**

phosphate (production discontinued in 1979), coconuts (copra), fish

## **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

has few natural resources and is one of the least developed Pacific Island countries: economic development is constrained by a shortage of skilled workers, weak infrastructure, and remoteness from international markets; the public sector dominates economic activity

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$227 million (2017 est.)

# GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$2,000 (2017 est.)

# **Exports**

\$84.75 million (2013 est.)

partners: Philippines 50.8%, Malaysia 17.2%, US 11.4%, Bangladesh 5.8%, Fiji 5.4% (2017)

## **Imports**

\$107.1 million (2016 est.)

partners: Australia 29.3%, Fiji 17.3%, NZ 10.7%, China 5.8%, US 5.8%, Singapore 5.1%, Japan 4.6%, Thailand 4.1% (2017)

## **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

## **Population**

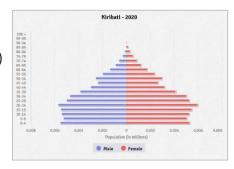
111,800 (July 2020 est.)

## **Population Growth**

1.09% (2020 est.)

## **Ethnicity**

I-Kiribati 96.2%. I-Kiribati/mixed 1.8%. Tuvaluan 0.2%, other 1.8% (2015 est.)



## Language

I-Kiribati, English (official)

#### Religion

Roman Catholic 57.3%, Kiribati Uniting Church 31.3%, Mormon 5.3%, Baha'i 2.1%, Seventh Day Adventist 1.9%, other 2.1% (2015 est.)

#### Urbanization

urban population: 55.6% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 3.19% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)