# **SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS**









## **GOVERNMENT**

#### **Chief of State**

Queen ELIZABETH II represented by Governor General Samuel W.T. **SEATON** 

#### **Head of Government**

Prime Minister Timothy HARRIS

# **Government Type**

federal parliamentary democracy (Parliament) under a constitutional monarchy; a Commonwealth realm

## Capital

Basseterre

#### Legislature

unicameral National Assembly (14 or 15 seats, depending on inclusion of attorney general)

## **Judiciary**

the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (ECSC), headquartered on St. Lucia, is the superior court of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

#### Ambassador to US

Ambassador Dr. Thelma Patricia PHILLIP-**BROWNE** 

#### **US Ambassador**

the US does not have an embassy in Saint Kitts and Nevis, US Ambassador to Barbados Linda S. TAGLIALATELA is accredited to Antigua and Barbuda

## **GEOGRAPHY**

# Area

Total: 261 sq km Land: 261 sq km Water: 0 sq km

#### Climate

tropical, tempered by constant sea breezes; little seasonal temperature variation; rainy season (May to November)

#### **Natural Resources**

arable land

# **ECONOMY**

### **Economic Overview**

the economy depends on tourism; since the 1970s, tourism has supplanted sugar as the economy's mainstay; the government has made notable progress in reducing its public debt - due largely to public enterprise losses – from 154% of GDP in 2011 to 62% in 2017

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$1.55 billion (2017 est.)

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

\$28,200 (2017 est.)

# **Exports**

\$57.4 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 49.6%, Poland 15.2%, Turkey 11.6% (2016)

#### **Imports**

\$335.3 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 56.8%, Trinidad and Tobago 6.8%, Cyprus 6.2%,

Japan 4% (2017)

## **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

## **Population**

53,800 (July 2020 est.)

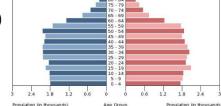
## **Population Growth**

0.67% (2020 est.)

#### **Ethnicity**

African origin 92.5%,

mixed 3%, white 2.1%,



East Indian 1.5%, other .6%, unspecified .3% (2001 est.)

#### Language

English (official)

# Religion

Protestant 74.4%, Roman Catholic 6.7%, Rastafarian 1.7%, Jehovah's Witness 1.3%, other 7.6%, none 5.2%, unspecified 3.2% (2001 est.)

## Urbanization

urban population: 30.8% of total population (2020) rate of urbanization: 0.92% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

as of April 2020