

# SAINT LUCIA







# GOVERNMENT

#### **Chief of State**

#### Queen ELIZABETH II

represented by Governor General Neville CENAC

#### Head of Government

Prime Minister Allen CHASTANET

## **Government Type**

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

# Capital

Castries

## Legislature

bicameral Parliament consists of the Senate (11 seats) and the House of Assembly (17 seats)

# 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 Anton Edsel EDMUNDS

# **US Ambassador**

the US does not have an embassy in Saint Lucia, US Ambassador to Barbados Linda S. TAGLIALATELA is accredited to Saint Lucia

# GEOGRAPHY

#### Area

Total: 616 sq km Land: 606 sq km Water: 10 sq km

# Climate

tropical, moderated by northeast trade winds; dry season January to April, rainy season May to August

#### **Natural Resources**

forests, sandy beaches, minerals (pumice), mineral springs, geothermal potential



# **Economic Overview**

tourism is the main source of jobs and income - accounting for 65% of GDP - and the main source of foreign exchange; the island is vulnerable to a variety of external shocks, including volatile tourism receipts, natural disasters, and dependence on foreign oil

# GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

## \$2.542 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) \$14,400 (2017 est.)

## Exports

\$185.1 million (2017 est.)

partners: US 67.6%, UK 5.9%, Trinidad and Tobago 5.5% (2017)

# Imports

\$600 million (2017 est.) partners: US 53.3%, Trinidad and Tobago 10.8% (2017)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

Population

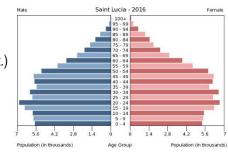
166,490 (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

# 0.29% (2020 est.)

# Ethnicity

black/African descent 85.3%, mixed 10.9%,



East Indian 2.2%, other 1.6%, unspecified 0.1% (2010 est.)

# Language

English (official); French patois

#### Religion

Roman Catholic 61.5%, Protestant 25.5%, other Christian 3.4%, Rastafarian 1.9%, other 0.4%, none 5.9%, unspecified 1.4% (2010 est.)

# Urbanization

urban population: 18.8% of total population (2020) rate of urbanization: 0.8% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

