



CUBA



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President of the Council of State and President of the Council of Ministers Miguel DIAZ-CANEL Bermudez

Head of Government

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Government Type

communist state

Capital

Havana

Legislature

unicameral National Assembly of People's Power or Asamblea Nacional del Poder Popular (605 seats)

Judiciary

People's Supreme Court (consists of court president, vice president, 41 professional justices, and lay judges)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Jose Ramon CABANAS Rodriguez

US Ambassador

Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires Mara TEKACH

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 110,860 sq km
Land: 109,820 sq km
Water: 1,040 sq km

Climate

tropical; moderated by trade winds; dry season (November to April); rainy season (May to October)

Natural Resources

cobalt, nickel, iron ore, chromium, copper, salt, timber, silica, petroleum, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

the government continues to balance loosening its socialist economic system against a desire for firm political control by allowing private ownership of real estate and new vehicles, allowing private farmers to sell agricultural goods, and adopting a new foreign investment law

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$137 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$12,300 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$2.63 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Venezuela 17.8%, Spain 12.2%, Russia 7.9%, Lebanon 6.1%, Indonesia 4.5%, Germany 4.3% (2017)

Imports

\$11.06 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 22%, Spain 14%, Russia 5%, Brazil 5%, Mexico 4.9%, Italy 4.8%, US 4.5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

11.1 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth

-0.27% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

white 64.1%, mulatto or mixed 26.6%, black 9.3% (2012 est.)

note: data represent racial self-identification from Cuba's 2012 national census

Language

Spanish (official)

Religion

nominally Roman Catholic 85%, Protestant, Jehovah's Witnesses, Jewish, Santeria

note: prior to CASTRO assuming power

Urbanization

urban population: 77% of total population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 14% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

99.8% (2015 est.)

