

# ALGERIA - COUNTRY REPORT \*

\* The data of the report are selections from The World Factbook - 2020

## PROFILE



**Population**  
42,972,878  
(July 2020 est.)



**Ethnic groups**  
Arab-Berber 99%  
European less than 1%



**Religious groups**  
Muslim (official; predominantly Sunni) 99%,  
other (includes Christian and Jewish) <1%  
(2012 est.)



**Capital**  
Algiers



**Official languages**  
Arabic (official), French (lingua franca)  
Berber or Tamazight (official)

## SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT

• **Government type: Presidential Republic:**  
The President is head of state and is directly elected by absolute majority of popular vote in two-rounds for a 5-year term. The Prime Minister and the Cabinet of Ministers are appointed by the president.

• **Legislative: Bicameral**  
The system is divided into two chambers:  
♦ The Council of the Nation, an upper house with 144 seats,  
♦ National People's Assembly, a lower house with 462 seats.

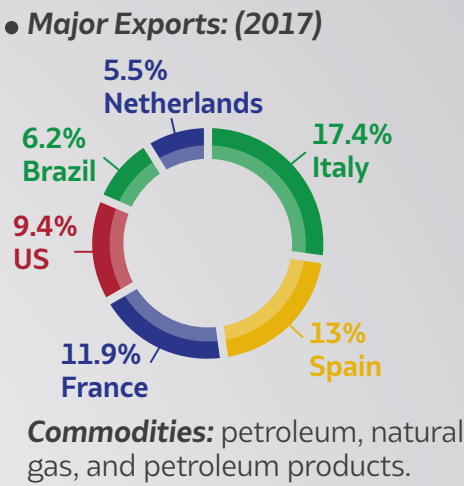
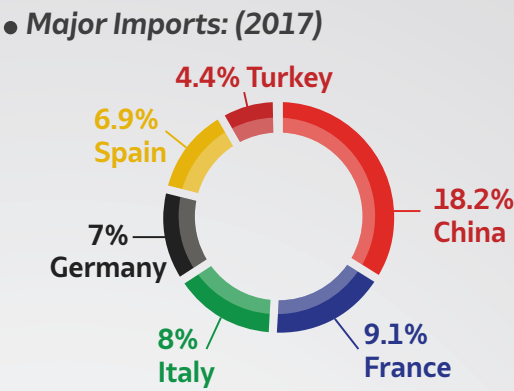
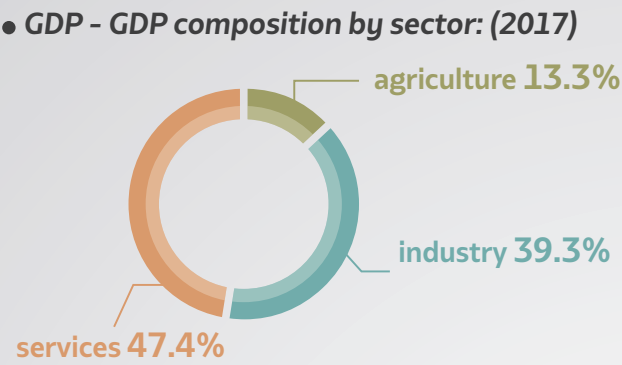
## LEGAL SYSTEM



• **Mixture of:**  
• The Islamic law  
• French civil law

## ECONOMY

• **Type of economy:**  
Algeria's economy relies on large hydrocarbon reserves: Algeria has the 10th-largest reserves of natural gas in the world - including the 3rd-largest reserves of shale gas - and is the 6th-largest gas exporter. It ranks 16th in proven oil reserves.



## DEBT

• **External: \$6.26 billion** (31 December 2017 est.)

