

These world leaders may be part of the working rich, but their fortunes aren't the good old capitalist kind. What follows is a selection of some of the wealthiest people in power.

Ruler	Country	Estimated net worth	Source of wealth	In power since
Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah	Brunei	\$36 billion	oil, gas	1967
King Fahd Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud	Saudi Arabia	\$25 billion	oil, investments, property	1982
Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan	UAE (Abu Dhabi)	\$15 billion	oil, investments, property	1966
Amir Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber Al-Sabah	Kuwait	\$15 billion	oil, investments, property	1977
Sheikh Maktoum Bin Rashid Al-Maktoum	UAE (Dubai)	\$10 billion	oil, services	1990
Amir Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani	Qatar	\$5 billion	oil, investments	1995
President Saddam Hussein	Iraq	\$5 billion	oil, son Uday controls smuggling	1979
Prime Minister Rafik al-Hariri ¹	Lebanon	\$3.6 billion	banking, construction, investments	1992
President Hafez Al-Assad	Syria	\$2 billion	oil, agriculture	1971
Queen Elizabeth II	United Kingdom	\$420 million or \$16 billion ²	investments, property	1952
President Fidel Castro	Cuba	\$100 million ³	tourism, nickel mining, sugar	1959



Clockwise from top left: Saddam Hussein, Sultan of Brunei, Queen Elizabeth II, Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, Fidel Castro.



¹Officially subordinate to Lebanon's president, but the de facto leader; made his fortune in business before entering politics. ²Higher figure includes the Royal Collection, with the crown jewels, held by the Queen in trust for the nation. ³Castro's share of Cuba's run-down economy.

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