



Russia



Background Under PETER I (1682-1725), the Principality of Muscovy expanded and became the Russian Empire. The Romanov dynasty was overthrown in 1917, ushering in communism and the formation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). The USSR collapsed in 1991, and after a period of political and economic turmoil, Russia shifted toward a centralized, authoritarian state under President Vladimir PUTIN (2000-2008, 2012-present).

Capital name: Moscow

Government type semi-presidential federation

Area total : 17,098,242 sq km
land: 16,377,742 sq km
water: 720,500 sq km

Climate ranges from steppes in the south through humid continental in much of European Russia; subarctic in Siberia to tundra climate in the polar north; winters vary from cool along Black Sea coast to frigid in Siberia; summers vary from warm in the steppes to cool along Arctic coast

Natural resources wide natural-resource base including major deposits of oil, natural gas, coal, and many strategic minerals, bauxite, reserves of rare earth elements, timber

Population total: 140,820,810 (2024 est.)

Population growth rate -0.49% (2024 est.)

Ethnic groups Russian 77.7%, Tatar 3.7%, Ukrainian 1.4%, Bashkir 1.1%, Chuvash 1%, Chechen 1%, other 10.2%, unspecified 3.9% (2010 est.)

Religions Russian Orthodox 15-20%, Muslim 10-15%, other Christian 2% (2006 est.)

Languages Russian (official) 85.7%, Tatar 3.2%, Chechen 1%, other 10.1% (2010 est.)

Executive branch chief of state: President Vladimir Vladimirovich PUTIN (since 7 May 2012)
head of government: Premier Mikhail Vladimirovich MISHUSTIN (since 16 January 2020)

Diplomatic representation in the US chief of mission: Ambassador (vacant); Chargé d'Affaires Aleksandr Vyacheslavovich KIM (since 11 October 2024)

Diplomatic representation from the US chief of mission: Ambassador Lynne M. TRACY (30 January 2023)

Economic overview natural resource-rich Eurasian economy; leading energy exporter to Europe and Asia; decreased oil export reliance; endemic corruption, Ukrainian invasion, and lack of green infrastructure limit investment and have led to sanctions

Real GDP (purchasing power parity)\$5.816 trillion (2023 est.)
\$5.614 trillion (2022 est.)
\$5.732 trillion (2021 est.)

Real GDP per capita	\$39,800 (2023 est.) \$38,300 (2022 est.) \$38,900 (2021 est.)
Exports	\$465.66 billion (2023 est.) \$640.878 billion (2022 est.) \$549.717 billion (2021 est.)
Exports - partners	China 33%, India 17%, Turkey 8%, Kazakhstan 4%, Brazil 3% (2023)
Exports - commodities	crude petroleum, refined petroleum, natural gas, coal, fertilizers (2023)
Imports	\$379.315 billion (2023 est.) \$347.384 billion (2022 est.) \$376.923 billion (2021 est.)
Imports - partners	China 53%, Turkey 5%, Germany 5%, Kazakhstan 5%, Italy 2% (2023)
Imports - commodities	cars, packaged medicine, broadcasting equipment, garments, plastic products (2023)

Population Pyramid

