



Egypt



Background The richness of the annual Nile River flood, coupled with semi-isolation provided by deserts to the east and west, allowed for the development of one of the world's great civilizations in Egypt. A unified kingdom arose circa 3200 B.C. Egypt has been ruled by many nations, becoming independent in 1952.

Capital name: Cairo

Government type presidential republic

Area total : 1,001,450 sq km
land: 995,450 sq km
water: 6,000 sq km

Climate desert; hot, dry summers with moderate winters

Natural resources petroleum, natural gas, iron ore, phosphates, manganese, limestone, gypsum, talc, asbestos, lead, rare earth elements, zinc

Population total: 111,247,248

Population growth rate 1.49% (2024 est.)

Ethnic groups Egyptian 99.7%, other 0.3% (2006 est.)

Religions Muslim (predominantly Sunni) 90%, Christian (majority Coptic Orthodox, other Christians include Armenian Apostolic, Catholic, Maronite, Orthodox, and Anglican) 10%

Languages Arabic (official); English and French widely understood by educated classes

Executive branch chief of state: President Abdel Fattah EL-SISI (since 8 June 2014)
head of government: Prime Minister Mostafa MADBOULY (since 7 June 2018)

Diplomatic representation in the US chief of mission: Ambassador Motaz Mounir ZAHRAN (since 17 September 2020)

Diplomatic representation from the US chief of mission: Ambassador Herro MUSTAFA GARG (since 15 November 2023)

Economic overview Africa's second-largest economy; 2030 Vision to diversify markets and energy infrastructure; improving fiscal, external, and current accounts; underperforming private sector; poor labor force participation; expanded credit access

Real GDP (purchasing power parity) \$1.912 trillion (2023 est.)
\$1.842 trillion (2022 est.)
\$1.729 trillion (2021 est.)

Real GDP per capita \$16,700 (2023 est.)
\$16,400 (2022 est.)
\$15,600 (2021 est.)

Exports	\$68.218 billion (2023 est.) \$76.295 billion (2022 est.) \$58.339 billion (2021 est.)
Exports - partners	Saudi Arabia 10%, Turkey 9%, Italy 6%, USA 5%, UAE 5% (2023)
Exports - commodities	refined petroleum, natural gas, fertilizers, garments, crude petroleum (2023)
Imports	\$82.265 billion (2023 est.) \$97.144 billion (2022 est.) \$94.039 billion (2021 est.)
Imports - partners	China 16%, Saudi Arabia 6%, Russia 6%, USA 6%, Germany 5% (2023)
Imports - commodities	refined petroleum, wheat, plastics, natural gas, packaged medicine (2023)