

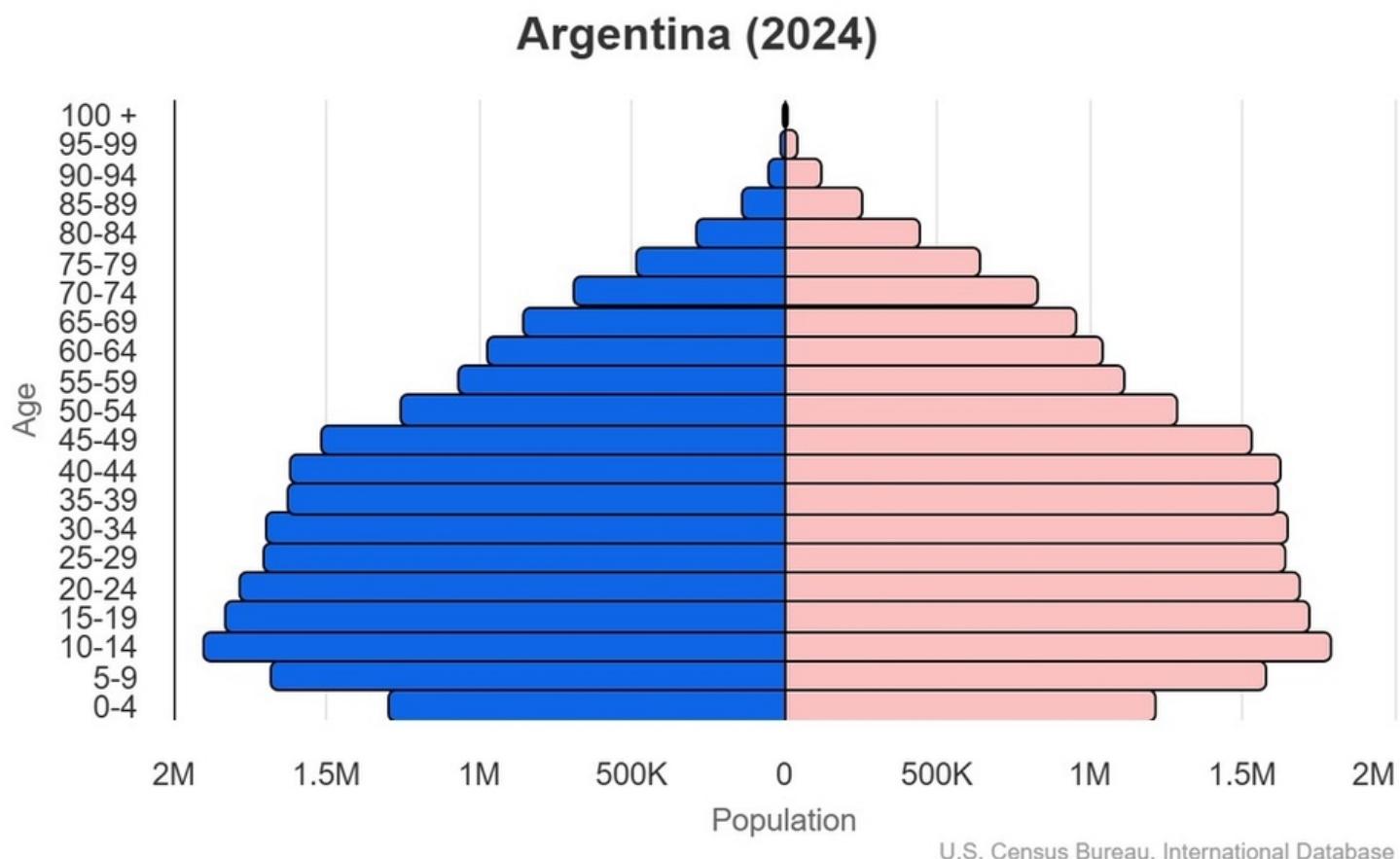


# Argentina



<b>Background</b>	In 1816, the United Provinces of the Río de la Plata declared their independence from Spain. After Bolivia, Paraguay, and Uruguay left, the area that remained became Argentina. European immigrants heavily shaped the country's population and culture.
<b>Capital</b>	name: Buenos Aires
<b>Government type</b>	presidential republic
<b>Area</b>	total : 2,780,400 sq km land: 2,736,690 sq km water: 43,710 sq km
<b>Climate</b>	mostly temperate; arid in southeast; subantarctic in southwest
<b>Natural resources</b>	fertile plains of the pampas, lead, zinc, tin, copper, iron ore, manganese, petroleum, uranium, arable land
<b>Population</b>	total: 46,994,384 (2024 est.)
<b>Population growth rate</b>	0.79% (2024 est.)
<b>Ethnic groups</b>	European (mostly Spanish and Italian descent) and Mestizo (mixed European and Indigenous ancestry) 97.2%, Indigenous 2.4%, African descent 0.4% (2010 est.)
<b>Religions</b>	Roman Catholic 62.9%, Evangelical 15.3% (Pentecostal 13%, other Evangelical 2.3%), Jehovah's Witness and Church of Jesus Christ 1.4%, other 1.2% (includes Muslim, Jewish), none 18.9% (includes agnostic and atheist), unspecified 0.3% (2019 est.)
<b>Languages</b>	Spanish (official), Italian, English, German, French, indigenous (Quechua, Guarani, Mapudungun)
<b>Executive branch</b>	chief of state: President Javier Gerardo MILEI (since 10 December 2023) head of government: President Javier Gerardo MILEI (since 10 December 2023)
<b>Diplomatic representation in the US</b>	chief of mission: Ambassador Alejandro (Alec) Carlos Francisco OXENFORD (since 11 June 2025)
<b>Diplomatic representation from the US</b>	chief of mission: Ambassador Peter LAMELAS (since 4 November 2025)
<b>Economic overview</b>	large diversified economy; financial risks from debt obligations, rapid inflation, and reduced investor appetites; resource-rich, export-led growth model; increasing trade relations with China; G20 and OAS leader; tendency to nationalize businesses and under-report inflation
<b>Real GDP (purchasing power parity)</b>	\$1.213 trillion (2024 est.) \$1.234 trillion (2023 est.) \$1.255 trillion (2022 est.)
<b>Real GDP per capita</b>	\$26,500 (2024 est.) \$27,100 (2023 est.) \$27,600 (2022 est.)
<b>Exports</b>	\$96.899 billion (2024 est.) \$82.947 billion (2023 est.) \$102.928 billion (2022 est.)
<b>Exports - partners</b>	Brazil 18%, USA 9%, Chile 8%, China 8%, India 4% (2023)
<b>Exports - commodities</b>	soybean meal, corn, trucks, soybean oil, crude petroleum (2023)
<b>Imports</b>	\$79.999 billion (2024 est.) \$92.3 billion (2023 est.) \$97.399 billion (2022 est.)
<b>Imports - partners</b>	Brazil 23%, China 20%, USA 12%, Paraguay 5%, Germany 4% (2023)
<b>Imports - commodities</b>	soybeans, vehicle parts/accessories, refined petroleum, natural gas, cars (2023)

Population Pyramid



U.S. Census Bureau, International Database