

United States of America



- Capital city: Washington, DC
 - Official language: no official national language
- 1) Geographical features:**
- Area: 9,826,675 sq km
 - Geographical coordinates: 38° 00' N, 97° 00' W
 - Climate: mostly temperate, but tropical in Hawaii and Florida, arctic in Alaska, semiarid in the great plains west of the Mississippi River, and arid in the Great Basin of the southwest; low winter temperatures in the northwest are ameliorated occasionally in January and February by warm chinook winds from the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains

- Topography type: vast central plain, mountains in west, hills and low mountains in east; rugged mountains and broad river valleys in Alaska; rugged, volcanic topography in Hawaii

2) Political features:

- Government type: constitution-based federal republic; strong democratic tradition
- Head of state: President Barack H. OBAMA (since 20 January 2009)
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3) Economic features:

- Total GDP: \$ 17,419,000,000,000.0 (2014)
- GDP growth rate: 2.6% (2014)
- GDP per capita: \$54,629.5 (2014)
- GNI (PPP): \$ 17,812,700,000,000 (2014)
- Sectoral composition of economy (2014 est.):
 - » Agriculture: 1.6%
 - » Industry: 20.7%
 - » Services: 77.7%
- Currency and exchange rates:
 - British pounds per US dollar: 0.6003 (2014 est.)
 - Canadian dollars per US dollar: 1.099 (2014 est.)
 - Chinese yuan per US dollar: 6.12 (2014 est.)
 - Euros per US dollar: 0.7489 (2014 est.)
 - Japanese yen per US dollar: 104.50 (2014 est.)
- Exports: \$ 1.61 trillion (2014 est.)
- Biggest exporting partners: Canada 19.2%, Mexico 14.8%, China 7.6%, Japan 4.1% (2014)
- Imports: \$ 2.334 trillion (2014 est.)

- Biggest importing partners: China 19.9%, Canada 14.8%, Mexico 12.5%, Japan 5.7%, Germany 5.3% (2014)

4) Social and demographic features:

- Population size: 318,857,056.0 (2014)
- Main languages spoken: English 79.2%, Spanish 12.9%, other Indo-European 3.8%, Asian and Pacific island 3.3%, other 0.9% (2011 est.)

Note: English has acquired official status in 31 of the 50 states; Hawaiian is an official language in the state of Hawaii

- Main religions followed: Protestant 51.3%, Roman Catholic 23.9%, Mormon 1.7%, other Christian 1.6%, Jewish 1.7%, Buddhist 0.7%, Muslim 0.6%, other or unspecified 2.5%, unaffiliated 12.1%, none 4% (2007 est.)
- Biggest ethnic groups: white 79.96%, black 12.85%, Asian 4.43%, Amerindian and Alaska native 0.97%, native Hawaiian and other Pacific islander 0.18%, two or more races 1.61% (July 2007 estimate)

Note: about 15.1% of the total US population is Hispanic

- Sex ratio: 0.971 male(s)/female (2015 est.)

5) Military and defense:

- Total defense expenditure: \$ 609914m (2014)
- Defense expenditure as a % of GDP: 3.5% (2014)
- Military obligation: 18 years of age voluntary service; no conscription (2013)
- Military strength (Active manpower): 1,400,000 (2014)

6) Important rankings:

- GDP ranking (nominal): 1 (2015)
- HDI ranking: 5 (2014)
- Global peace index: 94 (2015)
- KOF Globalization index: 34 (2015)

- Military strength ranking: 1 (2015)
- Where-to-be-born index: 16 (2013)