

# **BOLIVIA**









#### GOVERNMENT

# **Chief of State**

President Juan Evo MORALES Ayma

#### **Head of Government**

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# **Government Type**

presidential republic

# Capital

La Paz

# Legislature

bicameral Plurinational Legislative Assembly or Asamblea Legislativa Plurinacional consists of the Chamber of Senators or Camara de Senadores (36 seats) and the Chamber of Deputies or Camara de Diputados (130 seats)

### **Judiciary**

Supreme Court or Tribunal Supremo de Justicia (consists of 12 judges or ministros organized into civil, penal, social, and administrative chambers)

#### Ambassador to US

Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires Rafael Pablo CANEDO Daroca

#### **US Ambassador**

Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires Bruce WILIAMSON

# **GEOGRAPHY**

#### Area

Total: 1,098,581 sq km Land: 1,083,301 sq km Water: 15,280 sq km

#### Climate

varies with altitude; humid and tropical to cold and semiarid

#### **Natural Resources**

tin, natural gas, petroleum, zinc, tungsten, antimony, silver, iron, lead, gold, timber, hydropower

# as of February 2019

# **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

this resource rich country, remains one of the least-developed countries in Latin America: state-oriented investment policies hurt foreign investment interest

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$83.72 billion (2017 est.)

# **GDP** per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$7,600 (2017 est.)

# **Exports**

\$7.746 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Brazil 17.9%, Argentina 16%, US 7.8%, Japan 7.3%,

India 6.6%, South Korea 6.3%, Colombia 5.8% (2017)

# **Imports**

\$8.601 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 21.7%, Brazil 16.8%, Argentina 12.6%, US 8.4%,

Peru 6.5% (2017)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

# **Population**

11.3 million (July 2018 est.)

# **Population Growth**

1.48% (2018 est.)

# **Ethnicity**

mestizo (mixed white and

Amerindian ancestry) 68%,

indigenous 20%, white 5%, cholo/chola 2%, black 1%, other 1%,

unspecified 3% (2009 est.)

# Language

Spanish (official) 60.7%, Quechua (official) 21.2%, Aymara (official) 14.6%, foreign languages 2.4%, Guarani (official) 0.6%, other native languages 0.4%, none 0.1% (2001 est.)

#### Religion

Roman Catholic 76.8%, Evangelical and Pentecostal 8.1%, Protestant 7.9%, other 1.7%, none 5.5% (2012 est.)

# Urbanization

urban population: 69.4% of total population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 1.97% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

# Literacy

92.5% (2015 est.)