

## Introduction

The Gambia is the smallest country in the continent of Africa. It is located in Western Africa completely surrounded by Senegal and borders the Northern Atlantic Ocean. The government system is a republic; the chief of state and head of government is the president. The Gambia has a mixed economic system with a heavy reliance on agriculture, combined with relatively weak centralized economic planning and government regulation. The Gambia is a member of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).



**Location:** Western Africa

**Capital City:** Banjul (GMT)

**Chief of State:** President Adama Barrow

**Head of Govt.:** President Adama Barrow

**Currency:** Dalasi (GMD)

**Major Languages:** <p>English (official), Mandinka, Wolof, Fula, other indigenous vernaculars</p>

**Primary Religions:** <p>Muslim 95.7%, Christian 4.2%, none 0.1%, no answer 0.1%</p>

**Calling Code:** 220

**Voltage:** 230

## Key Websites

Main Government Page: [statehouse.gm](http://statehouse.gm)

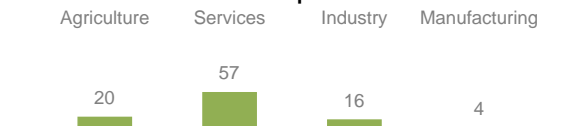
Export Promotion Agency: [giepa.gm](http://giepa.gm)

Investment Promotion Agency: [giepa.gm](http://giepa.gm)

## Key Economic Facts

Income Level (by per capita GNI):	Low Income
Level of Development:	Developing
GDP, PPP (current international \$):	\$5.01 billion (2018)
GDP growth (annual %):	6.55% (2018)
GDP per capita, PPP (current international \$):	\$2,196.46 (2018)
External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US\$):	\$681,391,024.80 (2018)
Manufacturing, value added (% of GDP):	4.42% (2018)
Current account balance (BoP, current US\$):	-\$0.08 billion (2018)
Inflation, consumer prices (annual %):	7.12% (2019)
Labor force, total:	779,341 (2019)
Unemployment, total (% of total labor force) (modeled ILO estimate):	9.06% (2019)
Imports of goods and services (current US\$):	\$0.68 billion (2018)
Exports of goods and services (current US\$):	\$0.36 billion (2018)

## GDP Composition %



*\*Although Manufacturing is included in the Industry figures, it is also separately reported because it plays a critical role in economy.*

## Rankings

Index	Rank
Corruption Perceptions Index	93 / 180
Global Competitiveness Index	124 / 141
Global Enabling Trade Index	99 / 136
Index of Economic Freedom	144 / 179
International Logistics Performance Index (LPI)	127 / 160
Inward FDI Potential Index	113 / 139
KOF Index of Globalization	116 / 185
Networked Readiness Index (NRI)	113 / 139

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