

Gambia, The



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: English (official), Mandinka, Wolof, Fula, other indigenous

vernaculars

Primary Religions: Muslim 96.4%, Christian 3.5%,

other or none 0.1% (2019-20 est.)

Calling Code: 220 Voltage: 230

Key Websites

| Mair | Government Page: | op.gov.gm |
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| Export | Promotion Agency: | giepa.gm |
| Inv | estment Promotion | giepa.gm |
| | Agency: | |

Key Economic Facts

| Income Level (by per capita GNI): | Low Income | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Level of Development: | Developing | | | | | |
| GDP, PPP (current international \$): | \$6.79 billion (2022) | | | | | |
| GDP growth (annual %): | 4.92% (2022) | | | | | |
| GDP per capita, PPP (current international \$): | \$2,509.83 (2022) | | | | | |
| External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US\$): | \$1,073,620,443.80 (2021) | | | | | |
| Manufacturing, value added (% of GDP): | 1.71% (2022) | | | | | |
| Current account balance (BoP, current US\$): | -\$0.09 billion (2021) | | | | | |
| Inflation, consumer prices (annual %): | 11.51% (2022) | | | | | |
| Labor force, total: | 947,408 (2022) | | | | | |
| Unemployment, total (% of total labor force) (modeled ILO estimate): | 4.78% (2022) | | | | | |
| Imports of goods and services (current US\$): | \$0.70 billion (2022) | | | | | |
| Exports of goods and services (current US\$): | \$0.10 billion (2022) | | | | | |
| GDP Composition % | | | | | | |
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| Agriculture | Services | Industry | Manufacturing |
|-------------|----------|----------|---------------|
| 23 | 52 | 17 | |
| | | 17 | 2 |

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

Rankings

| Index | Rank |
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| Corruption Perceptions Index | 101 / 178 |
| Global Competitiveness Index | 124 / 141 |
| Global Enabling Trade Index | 99 / 136 |
| Index of Economic Freedom | 101 / 176 |
| 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 |
| Open Budget Index | 76 / 114 |

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