

## The World Factbook



### Middle East :: Armenia

#### Geography :: Armenia

**Location:**

Southwestern Asia, between Turkey (to the west) and Azerbaijan

**Geographic coordinates:**

40 00 N, 45 00 E

**Map references:**

Middle East

**Area:**

**total:** 29,743 sq km

**country comparison to the world:** 143

**land:** 28,203 sq km

**water:** 1,540 sq km

**Area - comparative:**

slightly smaller than Maryland

**Land boundaries:**

**total:** 1,254 km

**border countries:** Azerbaijan proper 566 km, Azerbaijan-Naxcivan exclave 221 km, Georgia 164 km, Iran 35 km, Turkey 268 km

**Climate:**

highland continental, hot summers, cold winters

**Terrain:**

Armenian Highland with mountains; little forest land; fast flowing rivers; good soil in Aras River valley

**Elevation extremes:**

**lowest point:** Debed River 400 m

**highest point:** Aragats Lernagat' 4,090 m

**Natural resources:**

small deposits of gold, copper, molybdenum, zinc, bauxite

**Land use:**

**arable land:** 14.47%

**permanent crops:** 1.8%

**other:** 83.74% (2011)

**Irrigated land:**

2,735 sq km (2006)

### People and Society :: Armenia

**Nationality:**

**noun:** Armenian(s)

**adjective:** Armenian

**Ethnic groups:**

Armenian 98.1%, Yezidi (Kurd) 1.1%, other 0.7% (2011 est .)

**Languages:**

Armenian (official) 97.9%, Kurdish (spoken by Yezidi minority) 1%, other 1% (2011 est .)

**Religions:**

Armenian Apostolic 92.6%, Evangelical 1% other 2.4%, none 1.1%, unspecified 2.9% (2011 est .)

**Population:**

3,060,631 (July 2014 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 137

**Urbanization:**

**urban population:** 64.1% of total population (2011)

**rate of urbanization:** 0.34% annual rate of change (2010-15 est.)

**Major urban areas - population:**

YEREVAN(capital ) 1.116 million (201)

**Government :: Armenia**

**Country name:**

**conventional long form:** Republic of Armenia

**conventional short form:** Armenia

**local long form:** Hayastani Hanrapetut'yun

**local short form:** Hayastan

**former:** Armenian Soviet Socialist Republic, Armenian Republic

**Government type:**

republic

**Capital:**

**name:** Yerevan

**geographic coordinates:** 40 10N , 44 30E

**time difference:** UTC+4 (9 hours ahead of Washington, DC during Standard Time)

**Administrative divisions:**

11 provinces (marzer, singular - marz); Aragatsotn, Ararat, Armavir, Geghark'unik', Kotayk', Lorri, Shirak, Syunik', Tavush, Vayots' Dzor, Yerevan

**Independence:**

21 September 1991 (from the Soviet Union)

**National holiday:**

Independence Day, 21 September (1991)

**Constitution:**

previous 1915 1978 latest adopted 5 July 1995; amended 2005 ( 2013)

**Legal system:**

civil law system

**International law organization participation:**

has not submitted an ICJ jurisdiction declaration; non-party state to the ICCT

**Executive branch:**

**chief of state:** President Serzh SARGSIAN (since 9 April 2008)

**head of government:** Prime Minister Hovik ABRAHAMIAN (since 13 April 2014)

**International organization participation:**

ADB, BSEC, CD, CE, CIS, CSTO, EAEC (observer), EAPC, EBRD, FAO, GCTU, IAEA, IBRD, ICAO, ICC (NGOs), ICRM, IDA, IFAD, IFC, IFRCS, ILO, IMF, Interpol, IOC, IOM, IPU, ISO, ITSO, ITU, MIGA, NAM (observer), OAS (observer), OIF, OPCW, OSCE, PFP, UN, UNCTAD, UNESCO, UNIDO, UNIFIL, UNWTO, UPU, WCO, WFTU (NGOs), WHO, WIPO, WMO, WTO

**Economy :: Armenia**

**GDP (purchasing power parity):**

\$20.61 billion (2013 est. )

**country comparison to the world:** 133

\$19.7 billion (2012 est. )

\$18.38 billion (2011 est. )

**note:** data are in 2013 US dollars

**GDP (official exchange rate):**

\$10.44 billion (2013 est. )

**GDP - real growth rate:**

4.6% (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 65

7.2% (2012 est.)

4.7% (2011 est.)

**GDP - per capita (PPP):**

\$6,300 (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 147

\$6,000 (2012 est.)

\$5,600 (2011 est.)

**note:** data are in 2013 US dollars

**Gross national saving:**

16.2% of GDP (2013 est. )

**country comparison to the world:** 104

13.2% of GDP (2012 est. )

16.1% of GDP (2011 est.)

**GDP - composition, by end use:**

**household consumption:** 84.7%

**government consumption:** 13%

**investment in fixed capital:** 22.7%  
**investment in inventories:** -0.9%  
**exports of goods and services:** 23.6%  
**imports of goods and services:** -43.1%  
(2013 est.)

**GDP - composition, by sector of origin:**

**agriculture:** 20.6%  
**industry:** 37.3%  
**services:** 42.1% (2013 est.)

**Agriculture - products:**

fruit (especially grapes), vegetables; livestock

**Industries:**

diamond-processing, metal-cutting machine tools, forging-pressing machines, electric motors, tires, knitted wear, hosiery, shoes, silk fabric, chemicals, trucks, instruments, microelectronics, jewelry manufacturing, software development, food processing, brandy, mining

**Industrial production growth rate:**

3.9% (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 77

**Fiscal year:**

calendar year

**Exports:**

\$1.653 billion (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 144

\$1.588 billion (2012 est.)

**Exports - commodities:**

pig iron, unwrought copper, nonferrous metals, diamonds, mineral products, foodstuffs, energy

**Exports - partners:**

Russia 19.6%, Germany 10.7%, Bulgaria 9.1%, Belgium 8.9%, Iran 6.9%, US 6.1%, Canada 6%, Georgia 5.7%, Netherlands 5.6%, Switzerland 5% (2012)

**Imports:**

\$3.459 billion (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 140

\$3.656 billion (2012 est.)

**Imports - commodities:**

natural gas, petroleum, tobacco products, foodstuffs, diamonds

**Imports - partners:**

Russia 20%, Germany 11%, Bulgaria 9%, Belgium 9%, Iran 6.5%, US 6.1%, Canada 5.9%, Netherlands 5.6%, Georgia 5.6%,

Switzerland 5.2% (2012 est.)

**Exchange rates:**

drams (AMD) per US dollar -

410.5 (2013 est.)

401.76 (2012 est.)

373.66 (2010 est.)

363.28 (2009)

303.93 (2008)

**Energy :: Armenia**

**Electricity- production:**

7.432 billion kWh (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 103

**Electricity- consumption:**

5.8 billion kWh (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 108

**Electricity- exports:**

1.36 billion kWh (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 52

**Electricity- imports:**

246 million kWh (2013 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 85

**Electricity- installed generating**

**capacity:**

3.472 million kW (2010 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 84

**Electricity- from fossil fuels:**

55.6% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)

**country comparison to the world:** 142

**Electricity- from nuclear fuels:**

10.8% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 16  
**Electricity- from hydroelectric plants:**  
33.5% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 67  
**Electricity- from other renewable sources:**  
0.1% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 106  
**Crude oil - production:**  
0 bbl/day (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 149  
**Crude oil - exports:**  
0 bbl/day (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 77  
**Crude oil - imports:**  
0 bbl/day (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 152  
**Crude oil - proved reserves:**  
0 bbl (1 January 2013 es)  
**country comparison to the world:** 103  
**Refined petroleum products - production:**  
0 bbl/day (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 118  
**Refined petroleum products - consumption:**  
45,300 bbl/day (2011 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 102  
**Refined petroleum products - exports:**  
31.78 bbl/day (2010 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 124  
**Refined petroleum products - imports:**  
46,550 bbl/day (2010 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 72  
**Natural gas - production:**  
0 cu m (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 98  
**Natural gas - consumption:**  
2.1 billion cu m (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 78  
**Natural gas - exports:**  
0 cu m (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 57  
**Natural gas - imports:**  
2.1 billion cu m (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 47  
**Natural gas - proved reserves:**  
0 cu m (1 January 2013 es)  
**country comparison to the world:** 109  
**Carbon dioxide emissions from consumption of energy:**  
11.74 million Mt (2013 est.)  
**country comparison to the world:** 98  
**Communications :: Armenia**  
**Telephones - main lines in use:**  
584,000 (2012)  
**country comparison to the world:** 92  
**Telephones - mobile cellular:**  
3.223 million (2012)  
**country comparison to the world:** 128  
**Transportation :: Armenia**  
**Airports:**  
11 (2013)  
**country comparison to the world:** 154  
**Airports - with paved runways:**  
**total:** 10

**over 3,047 m:** 2

**2,438 to 3,047 m:** 2

**1,524 to 2,437 m:** 4

**914 to 1,523 m:** 2 (2013)

**Airports - with unpaved runways:**

**total:** 1

**914 to 1,523 m:** 1 (2013)

**Pipelines:**

gas 2,233 km (2013)

**Railways:**

**total:** 869 km

**country comparison to the world:** 96

**broad gauge:** 869 km 1.520-m gauge (818 km electrified)

*note:* some lines are out of service (2009)

**Roadways:**

**total:** 7,705 km (2012)

**country comparison to the world:** 143