

CIA World Factbook–Style Country Report

United States of America (U.S.)





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Basic Data

Category	Information
Conventional Name	United States of America
Short Form	United States (U.S.)
Capital	Washington, D.C.
Government Type	Federal Presidential Constitutional Republic
Independence	4 July 1776
Constitution	Ratified 1788
Population	Approximately 343 million
Area	9.83 million km ²

Category	Information
Currency	U.S. Dollar (USD)
Official Language	No federal official language; English is the de facto national language
Time Zones	UTC−5 to UTC−10 (including Alaska and Hawaii)

Geography

The United States occupies most of North America and includes Alaska, Hawaii, and several overseas territories. It borders Canada to the north and Mexico to the south.

Strategic Features

- Atlantic and Pacific coastlines
- Arctic access through Alaska
- Gulf of Mexico coastline
- Extensive inland river network
- World's largest Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)

Climate

Ranges from Arctic tundra in Alaska to tropical climates in Hawaii and southern Florida.

Population

Ethnic Composition

The United States is one of the world's most ethnically diverse nations.

Major demographic groups include:

- White
- Hispanic/Latino
- African American
- Asian American

- Native American
- Pacific Islander
- Mixed ethnicity

Urbanization

Approximately 83% urban.

Major metropolitan areas include:

- New York City
- Los Angeles
- Chicago
- Dallas–Fort Worth
- Houston
- Washington D.C.
- Miami
- Atlanta

Government

Executive

- President
- Vice President
- Cabinet Departments

Legislative

Congress consists of:

- Senate (100 members)
- House of Representatives (435 members)

Judicial

Headed by the Supreme Court.

Independent federal courts operate nationwide.

Economy

Indicator	Status
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GDP	World's largest economy
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GDP Per Capita	High-income economy
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Currency	Global reserve currency
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Stock Markets	NYSE, NASDAQ
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Inflation	Moderate
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Unemployment	Historically low by developed-country standards
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Major Industries

- Technology
- Defense
- Aerospace
- Finance
- Artificial Intelligence
- Biotechnology
- Energy
- Agriculture
- Pharmaceuticals
- Entertainment

Natural Resources

Major resources include:

- Oil

- Natural gas
- Coal
- Timber
- Agricultural land
- Rare minerals
- Fresh water

The United States has become one of the world's largest producers of oil and natural gas.

Energy

Strengths

- Major oil producer
- Leading natural gas producer
- Large nuclear fleet
- Expanding renewable energy sector

Strategic petroleum reserves remain an important national security asset.

Transportation

Extensive national infrastructure includes:

- Interstate Highway System
 - Major rail freight network
 - Global aviation hubs
 - Inland waterways
 - Deep-water ports
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Communications

The United States possesses one of the world's most advanced communications infrastructures.

Major capabilities include:

- Global satellite networks
 - Fiber-optic backbone
 - 5G deployment
 - Large cloud computing infrastructure
 - Leading AI research centers
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Military

Commander-in-Chief

President of the United States

Service Branches

- U.S. Army
- U.S. Navy
- U.S. Marine Corps
- U.S. Air Force
- U.S. Space Force
- U.S. Coast Guard

Active Personnel

Approximately 1.3 million active-duty personnel.

Strategic Forces

- Nuclear Triad
 - Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles
 - Ballistic Missile Submarines
 - Strategic Bombers

Global Presence

The United States maintains military installations, alliances, or rotational deployments across Europe, the Middle East, the Indo-Pacific, Africa, and the Americas.

Intelligence Community

The U.S. Intelligence Community consists of 18 organizations.

Principal agencies include:

- Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)
 - National Security Agency (NSA)
 - Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)
 - National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA)
 - National Reconnaissance Office (NRO)
 - Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
 - Department of Homeland Security Intelligence & Analysis
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Foreign Relations

The United States maintains diplomatic relations with nearly every sovereign state.

Major alliances include:

- NATO
 - Five Eyes
 - USMCA
 - Bilateral security treaties with Japan and South Korea
 - Strategic partnerships throughout the Indo-Pacific
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Strategic Interests

Primary national interests include:

- Homeland defense
 - Protection of global trade routes
 - Stability of the international financial system
 - Prevention of nuclear proliferation
 - Counterterrorism
 - Technological leadership
 - Freedom of navigation
 - Space security
 - Cybersecurity
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Current Strategic Challenges

Tier I

- Strategic competition with China
- Russia and the war in Ukraine
- Middle East regional instability
- Cyber warfare
- Artificial Intelligence competition

Tier II

- Illegal migration
- Fentanyl trafficking
- Domestic political polarization
- Infrastructure modernization
- Federal debt

Tier III

- Climate resilience
- Arctic competition

- Semiconductor supply chains
 - Critical mineral security
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Defense Industrial Base

The United States possesses the world's largest defense industrial ecosystem.

Major sectors include:

- Aerospace
 - Shipbuilding
 - Missile systems
 - Precision-guided weapons
 - Nuclear weapons infrastructure
 - Cyber defense
 - Artificial intelligence
 - Space launch capability
 - Unmanned systems
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Space Capability

The United States remains the global leader in space operations.

Capabilities include:

- GPS constellation
- Military reconnaissance satellites
- Missile warning satellites
- Commercial launch industry
- Deep-space exploration
- Human spaceflight
- Space Force operational command

National Strength Assessment

Category	Rating
Political Stability	Moderate
Economic Power	Very High
Military Capability	Very High
Technological Leadership	Very High
Intelligence Capability	Very High
Energy Security	High
Food Security	Very High
Financial Influence	Very High
Global Diplomatic Reach	Very High

ATLAS Intelligence Assessment

Strategic Assessment: Level 3 (Comprehensive National Assessment)

The United States remains the world's preeminent comprehensive power, combining unmatched military reach, technological innovation, financial influence, and global alliance networks. Its enduring advantages stem from geographic security, abundant natural resources, a dynamic private sector, and a robust defense-industrial base. The principal long-term challenge is sustaining these advantages amid strategic competition with China, continued confrontation with Russia, rapid advances in emerging technologies, and increasing domestic political polarization. While these internal pressures complicate policymaking, they have not fundamentally diminished the nation's capacity to project power or shape the international security environment.

ATLAS Confidence Assessment: High (90%)

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