

Country profile: Croatia

Geography, population and living standards

Area (sq. km)	56 594
Population	4 144 559
Population density (sq. km)	73
Urban population	57%
Population growth rate	-1.2 (2017 est.)
Total fertility rate	1.4 (2016 est.)
Life expectancy	78.3 (2018)
Ethnic groups	Croats 90.4%, Serbs (4.36%), and 21 other ethnicities (less than 1% each).

Government

State structure	Parliamentary Republic
Executive	President elected by popular vote every 5 years The prime minister of Croatia is appointed by the National Assembly
Legislative	Unicameral <i>Sabor</i> representatives (MPs): 100 to 160; elected by popular vote to 4 year terms
Elections	Last parliamentary elections: September 2016 (next to be held: December 2020) Last presidential elections: January 2015 (next to be held: January 2020)
Political situation	The current government led by prime minister Andrej Plenković is a centre-right/liberal coalition of the Croatian Democratic Union (HDZ) and the Croatian People's Party (HNS)
Legal system	Civil law system; legal appeals are made to the Supreme Court
Administrative-territorial structure	Croatia is a unitary state with three levels of governance: 21 regional government units; 428 municipalities and 127 towns on local level

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