

Country – Fact Sheet



General	
Official Name	Republic of Azerbaijan
Capital	Baku
Area	86,600 km ²
Currency	AZN (Manat)
GDP	AZN 79.80 billion (US \$46.94 billion) [2018]
GDP Growth Rate	1.4
Unemployment	5% [2018 est.]
GDP Per Capita	AZN 8 126 (US \$4780) [2018]
Forest Cover	11%
CO2 emissions	Estimated at 32,544 KT
Tourist Arrivals	2 849 592 [2018]
Population	10 million [2019]
Age Profile	0-14 years: 23.2% 15-64 years: 70.3% 65 years and over: 6.4%
Life expectancy	Estimated at 67 / 70
Languages	Azerbaijani (Azeri) (official) 92.5%, Russian 1.4%, Armenian 1.4%, other 4.7% (2009 est.)
Ethnic groups	Azerbaijani : 91.6%; Lezgian: 2%; Russian: 1.3%; Armenian: 1.3%; Talysh 1.3%; Others: 2.4%
Religion	Shia Muslim: 70%, Sunni Muslim: 23%, Russian Orthodox: 2.5%, Armenian Orthodox: 2.3%, others: 1.8%
Internet Penetration	79.9% of population (Dec. 2018)
Mobile phones	10.6 million
Urbanisation	Urban population: 52.9% of total population (2018)
Exports	US\$ 19.5 billion (2018)
Imports	US\$ 11.4 billion (2018)
Main Trade Partners	Italy, Turkey, Russia, Germany, Israel, China, Czech Republic, India, US, Ukraine [2018]
Political	
Political Structure	Presidential democracy with a directly elected President, who has a seven

	year term. President appoints First Vice President and other Vice Presidents. President appoints Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers to run the government.
Major Political Parties	Yeni Azerbaijan [President Aliyev's party]; Azerbaijani Popular Front; National Independence Party; Musavat Party.
Head of Government	H.E. Mr. Novruz Mammadov, Prime Minister of Azerbaijan
Political Issues	Azerbaijan has territorial dispute with Armenia over Nagorno-Karabakh region and areas of seven surrounding districts which were occupied by Armenia in a war in 1991-92. Azerbaijan claims that 20% of its recognised territory is occupied by Armenia. A ceasefire was established in 1994 and OSCE- Minsk group chaired by USA, Russia and France has been mediating in the dispute. However, the tensions between the two sides have boiled over in firing by heavy weapons and small battles on many occasions, resulting in many casualties on both sides.
Bilateral	
India's Exports	US\$ 103 million [2018]
India's Imports	US\$ 820 million [2018]
Indian Exports	The main import products from India were Rice, Electric heating resistors, Air compressors, Drugs/Human vaccine, Meat, Machinery/equipment & parts thereof, Apparel & clothing accessories, Tea.
Indian Imports	Mainly Crude oil, Cattle skins, propan-1-ol (propyl alcohol) & propan-2-ol (isopropyl alcohol), Iodine, Self-propelled earth-moving and tunneling machines.
Indian Investments in Azerbaijan	In March 2013, ONGC Videsh Ltd acquired shares worth US\$ 900 million in development project of the Azeri-Chirag-Gunashli (2.31%) oil field and the Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan pipe line (2.36%) from US Company Hess.
Azerbaijani Investments in India	NIL
Indian Community	The Indian community in Azerbaijan comprises of about 1300 persons, including professionals employed with international companies in the oil and gas sectors, businessmen engaged in commodities trading, catering and restaurant business and construction workers on short-term contracts. There are three Indian associations, viz., Indian Association Azerbaijan (IAA), Baku Malyalee Association (BMA) and Tamil Sangam, which work in close association with the Embassy of India in Baku. They regularly hold social events to celebrate major Indian festivals and events. The Indian community which is in the 4th/5th place in Azerbaijan, in terms of numerical strength, is very active both professionally and socially and has integrated well with the local population.

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