



## GEOGRAPHY

**LOCATION:** Caribbean, tropical island located between the Caribbean Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean, east of the Dominican Republic

**GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES:** 18 15 N, 66 30 W

**MAP REFERENCES:** Central America and the Caribbean

**LAND AND WATER AREA:** 9,104 sq km

**COASTLINE:** 501 km

**CLIMATE:** Tropical marine, mild; little seasonal temperature variation

**TERRAIN:** Mostly mountains, with coastal plain belt in north; mountains precipitous to sea on west coast; sandy beaches along most coastal areas

**ELEVATION EXTREMES:** Lowest point: Caribbean Sea 0 m  
Highest point: Cerro de Punta 1,338 m

## PEOPLE

**POPULATION:** 3,203,295 (July 1, 2024 est.)

**AGE STRUCTURE:** 0-14 years: 12.1% (male 197,470; female 190,741) (2023 est.)  
15-64 years: 63.8% (male 985,064; female 1,061,561) (2023 est.)  
65 years and over: 24.0% (male 331,170; female 439,685) (2023 est.)

**MEDIAN AGE:** Total: 45.2 years (2023 est.)  
Male: 43.1 years / Female: 47.1 years

**POPULATION GROWTH RATE:** -0.02% (2024 est.)

**BIRTH RATE:** 7.8 births/1,000 population (2024 est.)

**DEATH RATE:** 10.2 deaths/1,000 population (2024 est.)

**NET MIGRATION RATE:** -9.6 migrant(s)/1,000 population (2024 est.)

**SEX RATIO:** At birth: 1.06 males(s)/female (2024 est.)  
Under 15 years: 1.04 male(s)/female • 15-64 years: 0.92 male(s)/female  
65 years and over: 0.75 male(s)/female  
Total population: 0.89 male(s)/female (2024 est.)

**INFANT MORTALITY RATE:** Total: 5.8 deaths/1,000 live births (2024 est.)  
Male: 6.4 deaths/1,000 live births • Female: 5.2 deaths/1,000 live births

**LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH:** Total population: 82.1 years (2024 est.)  
Male: 78.9 years • Female: 85.5 years

**TOTAL FERTILITY RATE:** 1.26 children born/woman (2024 est.)

**NATIONALITY:** Noun: Puerto Rican(s) (US citizens)  
Adjective: Puerto Rican

**ETHNIC GROUPS:** White 75.8%, black / African American 12.4%, other 8.5%, and mixed 3.3% (2010)

**RELIGION:** Roman Catholic 56%, Protestant 33%, other 2%, atheist 1%, none 7% (2014 est.)

**LANGUAGES:** Spanish, English

**LITERACY:** Definition: age 15 and over can read and write  
Total population: 92.4% • Male: 92.4% • Female: 92.4% (2021)

## GOVERNMENT

**COUNTRY NAME:** Conventional long form: Commonwealth of Puerto Rico  
Conventional short form: Puerto Rico

**GOVERNMENT STATUS:** Unincorporated organized territory of the US with commonwealth status; policy relations between PR and the US conducted under the jurisdiction of the Office of the President

**GOVERNMENT TYPE:** Presidential democracy; a self-governing commonwealth associated to the U.S.

**CAPITAL:** San Juan

**LEGAL SYSTEM:** Based on civil law and within the US Federal judicial system

**SUFFRAGE:** 18 years of age; universal; island residents are US citizens but do not vote in US presidential elections

**HEAD OF STATE:** President Donald J. Trump (since January 20, 2025)

**GOVERNOR:** Jennifer González Colón (since January 2, 2025)

**LEGISLATIVE BRANCH:** Bicameral Legislative Assembly consists of the Senate (28 seats; members are directly elected by popular vote to serve four-year terms) and the House of Representatives (53 seats; members are directly elected by popular vote to serve four-year terms)

**JUDICIAL BRANCH:** Supreme Court; Appellate Court; Court of First Instance composed of two sections: A Superior Court and a Municipal Court (justices for all these courts appointed by the governor with the consent of the Senate)

## ECONOMY

**GNP:** \$85.6 billion (2024)

**GNP - REAL GROWTH RATE:** 2.1% (2024)

**GNP - PER CAPITA:** \$26,725 (2024)

**GDP:** \$125.8 billion (2024)

**GDP - PER CAPITA:** \$39,276 (2024)

**GDP - COMPOSITION BY SECTOR:** (2024) Manufacturing: 44.2%  
Finance, insurance, and real estate: 18.7% • Services: 16.3% • Trade: 9.6% • Government: 5.5% • Transportation and other public utilities: 3.6% • Construction and Mining: 1.6% • Agriculture: 0.7%

**PERSONS BELOW POVERTY LEVEL:** 39.6% (2023)

**INFLATION RATE (change in the implicit price deflator for GNP):** 2.4% (2024)

**INFLATION RATE (change in the Consumer price index):** 2.4% (2024)

**LABOR FORCE:** 1.2 million of persons 16 years and over (2024)

**LABOR FORCE - BY OCCUPATION:** (2024) Services: 36.0% • Trade: 24.0%  
Government: 15.9% • Manufacturing: 9.8%  
Construction: 5.4% • Transportation and other public utilities: 4.0%  
Finance, insurance and real estate: 3.8% • Agriculture: 1.4%

**EMPLOYED PERSONS OF 16 YEARS AND OVER:** (2024) 1,038 thousand of persons

**EMPLOYED PERSONS OF 16 YEARS AND OVER BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT LEVEL:** (2023) Less than high school: 6.5%  
High school: 35.8% • Less than bachelor's degree: 27.0%  
Bachelor's degree and more: 43.9%

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (annual average):** 5.8% (2024)

**INDUSTRIES:** Pharmaceuticals, electronic products, medical equipment, food products, apparel

**ELECTRICITY - PRODUCTION:** 19,358 million kWh (2024)

**ELECTRICITY - CONSUMPTION:** 17,359 million kWh (2024)

**NATURAL GAS - CONSUMPTION:** 4,200,679 M<sup>3</sup> (2024)

**NATURAL GAS - IMPORTS:** 4,200,679 M<sup>3</sup> (2024)

**AGRICULTURE - PRODUCTS:** Coffee, sugar, fruits, legumes, starchy vegetables; livestock products, milk, poultry, ornamental plants (2023)

**EXPORTS:** \$65.4 billion (2024)

**EXPORTS - COMMODITIES:** Pharmaceuticals, chemicals, medical equipment and supplies, electrical equipment, computers, electronics, machinery and food.

**EXPORTS - PARTNERS:** U.S. 72.6%, Netherlands 6.3%, Spain 5.1%, Belgium 2.8%, and Japan 1.5%. (2024)

**IMPORTS:** \$53.9 billion (2024)

**IMPORTS - COMMODITIES:** Pharmaceuticals, chemicals products, petroleum products, food, computer and electronic products, motor vehicles, machinery, plastics and rubber products and electrical equipment.

**IMPORTS - PARTNERS:** U.S. 60.0%, Ireland 9.3%, Singapore 2.1%, Colombia 2.0%, and México 1.9%. (2024)

**CURRENCY:** US dollar (USD)

**CURRENCY CODE:** USD

**FISCAL YEAR:** July 1<sup>ST</sup> - June 30<sup>TH</sup>

## TRANSPORTATION

**HIGHWAYS:** Total: 32,159.2 km • Paved: 32,159.2 km • Unpaved: 0 km (2022)

**PORTS AND HARBORS:** 12

**AIRPORTS:** 10

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