## PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA

الجمهورية الجزائرية الديمقراطية الشعبية

Formal Name: People's

Democratic Republic of Algeria

Short Name: Algeria

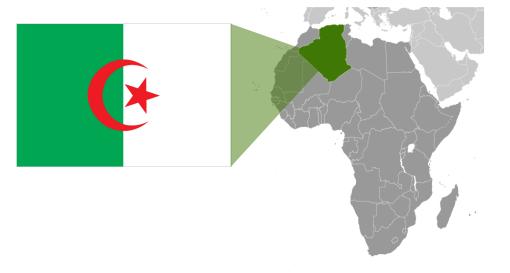
Adjective: Algerian

Capital: Algiers

Government: Republic

LAS Member since: August 16,

1962



## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Ethnicity Groups: Arab 84%, Berber 15%,

European less than 1%

Religions: Muslim 99%, Christian and Jewish 1%

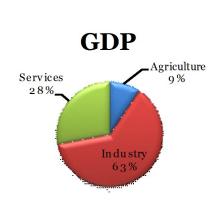
Languages: Arabic (official), French, Berber dialects

Life Expectancy: 76.4 years

Median Age: 27.3 years

Sex Ratio: 1.03 male/female

Literacy Rate: 72.6%



Independence Day:

July 5, 1962

Total Area:

2,381,741 km<sup>2</sup>

Population:

38.8 million

**Gross Domestic Product:** 

\$284.7 billion

Military Spending:

4.48% of GDP

## **ECONOMY**

Labor Force: 11.2 million

Unemployment Rate: 10.3%

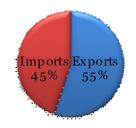
Poverty Rate: 23%

Inflation: 3.9%

Exports: \$68.25 billion (petroleum, natural gas, and petroleum products)

Imports: \$55.02 billion (capital goods, foodstuffs, consumer goods)

## **Trade Balance**





1510	Spanish occupation of Penon de Algiers
1536	Province of the Ottoman Empire
1830	Algiers taken by France
1954	FLN launches revolt against French
1962	Algeria gains independence from France
1963	Ahmed Ben Bella elected as 1st President
1976	Boumedienne elected President; commits to socialism and FLN the sole political party Islam recognized as state religion
1989	National People's Assembly revokes ban on political parties
	Islamic Salvation Front (FIS) founded
1991	Changes to electoral system
	FIS strikes, state of siege declared
	Military takes over
1992	National People's Assembly dissolved
	President Chadli resigns
	Higher State Council, chaired by Boudiaf, takes over
1994	Liamine Zeroual appointed chairman of the Higher State Council
1999	Abdelaziz Bouteflika elected as President
2002	Berber language recognized as a national language
	FLN wings general elections
2004	President Bouteflika re-eelected to 2nd term
2010	Algeria, Mauritania, Mali, and Niger set up join command to tackle threat of terrorism
2011	President Abdelaziz Bouteflika lifts 19 year old state of emergency
2012	Abdelmalek Sellal appointed as Prime Minister
2014	Abdelaziz Bouteflika wins fourth term as President