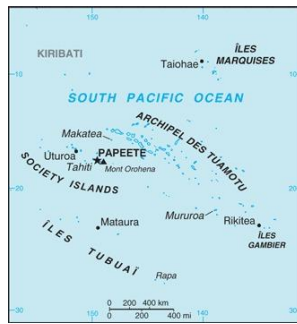


# FRENCH POLYNESIA



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Emmanuel MACRON

### Head of Government

President of French Polynesia Edouard FRITCH

### Government Type

parliamentary democracy (Assembly of French Polynesia); an overseas collectivity of France

### Capital

Papeete

### Legislature

unicameral Assembly of French Polynesia or Assemblée de la Polynésie française (57 seats)

### Judiciary

Court of Appeal or Cour d'Appel (composition NA); note - appeals beyond the French Polynesia Court of Appeal are heard by the Court of Cassation (in Paris)

### Ambassador to US

none (overseas lands of France)

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## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

Total: 4,167 sq km  
Land: 3,827 sq km  
Water: 340 sq km

### Climate

tropical, but moderate

### Natural Resources

timber, fish, cobalt, hydropower

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

Since 1962, when France stationed military personnel in the region, French Polynesia has changed from a subsistence agricultural economy to one in which a high proportion of the work force is either employed by the military or supports the tourist industry

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$5.49 billion (2015 est.)

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$17,000 (2015 est.)

### Exports

\$1.245 billion (2014 est.)  
partners: Japan 23.1%, Hong Kong 21.5%, Kyrgyzstan 15.9%, US 15.9%, France 12.4% (2017)

### Imports

\$2.235 billion (2014 est.)  
partners: France 27.9%, South Korea 12.1%, US 10.1%, China 7.3%, NZ 6.7%, Singapore 4.2% (2017)

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

295,120 (July 2020 est.)

### Population Growth

0.79% (2020 est.)

### Ethnicity

Polynesian 78%,  
Chinese 12%, local  
French 6%, metropolitan  
French 4%

### Language

French (official) 70%, Polynesian (official) 28.2%, other 1.8% (2012 est.)

### Religion

Protestant 54%, Roman Catholic 30%, other 10%, no religion 6%

### Urbanization

urban population: 62% of total population (2020)  
rate of urbanization: 1.01% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

