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SLOVAKIA

Update: 20th July 2026

Geography

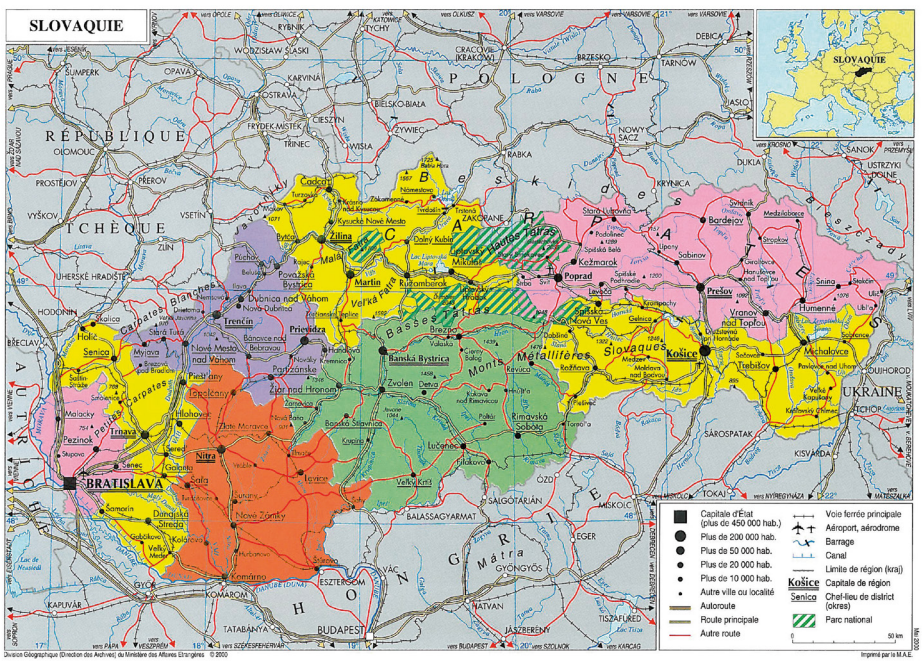
Area: 49,035 km²

Borders: 1.474 km: Hungary (676 km), Poland (420 km), Czech Republic (197 km), Austria (91 km), Ukraine (90 km)

Capital: Bratislava

Official language: Slovak

Source : The CIA World Factbook



Population

Population: 5,419,451 inhabitants (2024)

Natural change rate: -1.4‰ (2023)

Net migration rate: - 0.4‰ (2024)

First time asylum applicants: 130 (2024)

Population repartition: 15.8% under 15 years old, 18.8% over 65 years old (2024)

Foreign residents: 1% EU nationals, 0.3% non-EU nationals (2019)

Life expectancy: men 75.2 years, women 81.7 years (2023)

Ethnic groups: Slovak 80.7%, Hungarian 8.5%, Roma 2%, other and unspeci ied 8.8% (est. 2011)

Religion: Roman Catholic 55.8%, Lutherians 5.3%, Greek Catholic 4%, Reformed Christian 1.6%, other 3%, none 23.8%, unspecified 6.5% (2021 est.)

Source : Eurostat

Economy

Currency: euro

GDP: € 136.754 billion (2025)

GDP per capita (PPS): € 27,400 (2024)

GDP growth: 0.8% (2024)

Unemployment: 5.6% (Mars 2026)

Inflation: 3,5 % (Octobre 2025)

Public debt: 61.40% of GDP (2025)

Public balance: - 4.5% of GDP (2025)

High performance sectors: automobile industry, steel industry, chemistry

Stock of foreign direct investment from the entire world: 48.4% of GDP (2022)

Source : Eurostat, BNP Paribas

Political System

Republic, parliamentary democracy (Constitution of 1st January 1993, revised in 1999 to allow for direct universal election of the president):

Head of State: Peter Pellegrini (HLAS-SD), elected on 6th April 2024

Prime Minister: Robert Fico (SMER-SD) since 23rd October 2023. He leads a government coalition with the centre-left HLAS and nationalist SNS parties.

Unicameral parliamentary system:

The National Council (Národná rada) is made up of 150 seats. Representatives are elected for four years by proportional representation .

Political Representation

Parliament composition (since October 2023):

- 42 seats SMER-SD (Direction Social Democracy, populist)
- 32 seats PS (Progressive Slovakia, centrist party)
- 27 seats HLAS-SD (Voice, populist)
- 16 seats S-KÚ-ZĽ (Slovakia - Christian Union - For the People)
- 12 seats KDH (Christian Democratic Movement)
- 11 seats SaS (Freedom and Solidarity, euroskeptic)
- 10 seats SNS (Slovak National Party, far-right)

Female representation:

In the government: 3/17
In the Národná rada: 33/150

Next elections: general in 2027 and presidential in 2029.