

The Political System, Economy and Education in Romania

Romania is a member of NATO and the European Union. The main language is Romanian, but some people speak Hungarian and German too. The main religion is Eastern Orthodox which constitutes 86% of the population. Other denominations are: Protestant, Roman Catholic, Muslim. Romania is a secular state whose national symbol is golden eagle. The flag colours are blue, yellow and red. The national holiday, called the Unification Day is on 1 December. The currency is LEU (RON).

Romania is a parliamentary republic. President Klaus Iohannis is the head of state now. The president is elected for 5 years. The head of Government is the Prime Minister who works with the President and members of the Parliament. The Romanian Constitution was adopted in 1991 with later amendments.

The economy in Romania is well developed because the country has a lot of natural resources. They are: oil (petroleum), natural gas, coal and lignite, copper, gold, silver and salt. The most important industries include mining, forestry, food processing, clothes production, machinery production. There are a lot of orchards and vineyards. Sheep, pigs and cattle are kept for meat production. Agriculture produces wheat, corn, potatoes, sugar beets and grapes. The river network helps to develop the fishing industry and allows to use hydropower. There is a network of roads for easy transportation. Of course, tourism is also an important source of income for the country.

Education is free in Romania and there are some private schools and universities too. School is compulsory for ten years. Primary school starts from age 6 and lasts four years. Secondary education has 2 levels: lower secondary (5 to 8 grade) and high school (9 to 12th). School subjects involve: Romanian language and literature, Maths, foreign languages, science, humanities and art. The best universities are in Bucharest, Brasov, Cluj-Napoca and Iasi. Romania participates fully in the EU education program. Thank you for your attention.