

St. Kitts and Nevis

Also known as:

“Mother Colony of The West Indies”

Motto:

“Country Above Self”

History:

Originally settled by Caribs, and by the British in 1623 who fought with the French for possession. The island was finally ceded to Britain in 1783 and gained independence in 1983.

Head of State:

H.E Samuel Weymouth Tapley Seaton
Governor General (Ag.)



Head of Government:

Dr. the Hon. Timothy Harris
Prime Minister

Marital Status: Married

Education:

Bachelor’s degree in accounting from the Cave Hill Campus of the University of the West Indies.
Master’s degree in accounting from the St. Augustine Campus of UWI in Trinidad.
Doctor of Philosophy Degree in administration majoring in accounting from Concordia University in Montreal Canada.

Professional/Political Life:

2015: Elected Prime Minister

Economic Summary:

Both islands have pleasant scenery, good beaches and historic buildings, which have favoured the development of tourism as the economy's most promising growth area. A deep-water harbour, cruise ship and container facilities are significant features in this sector's growth. In the agricultural sector, sugar was the main crop for generations. St. Kitts and Nevis has, however, decided to stop sugar production as the sector has become less viable.

There is also economic development in the manufacturing sectors. The main areas include food processing and production of beverages and electronic components.

Airports: Robert Llewlyn Bradshaw International (St. Kitts)
Vance Amory International (Nevis)

Status: Independent – 19 September 1983

Capital: Basseterre

Population: 51,967 (2009)

Currency: Eastern Caribbean Dollar (EC\$)

Date of CARICOM Membership: 26 July 1974

National Anthem: **O Land of Beauty!**

Our country where peace abounds,
Thy children stand free
On the strength of will and love.
With God in all our struggles,
St. Kitts and Nevis be
A nation bound together,
With a common destiny.
As stalwarts we stand
For justice and liberty.
With wisdom and truth
We will serve and honour thee.
No sword nor spear can conquer
For God will surely defend.
His blessings shall forever
To posterity extend.

National Highest Award: Order of the National Hero

National Dish: Goat Water (Stew)

National Symbols:



St. Kitts and Nevis - Coat of Arms

Coat of Arms



St. Kitts & Nevis national flower -
Poinciana or Flamboyant

National Flower



National Flag