

**Uruguay** has about 3,400,000 inhabitants, which give a population density of 19 h / km<sup>2</sup>, which, despite being low, is the largest of all the countries in the region. It is, mainly, a descendant population of Europeans such as Spaniards, Italians and French. The pre-Columbian peoples have disappeared, mainly due to actions carried out during the 19th century. There are small minorities of mestizos and black people.

The Uruguayan population is beginning to suffer the effects of aging in countries that have completed the demographic transition in the 1970s. 24% of the population is under 15 years of age, 63% between 15 and 65, and 13% more. 65 years old The real growth rate is 0.5% per year, very low. The birth rate is 15 ‰, and the fertility rate is 2.17 children per woman, slightly above the replacement level. They are the lowest birth and fertility rates in the region. The life expectancy at birth is just over 75 years.

The Uruguayan population is, mainly urban, in spite of being a cattle and agriculture country. Its population is concentrated around Montevideo (42.5%) and along the Atlantic coast. The macrocephaly of Montevideo and its surroundings dominates the whole country.

Uruguay is a country made by immigrants. Apart from Spanish immigration in colonial times, Uruguay continued to receive large numbers of immigrants from its independence until the end of the nineteenth century. In the first third of the 20th century the immigration process continues, this time, coming from both Europe and the neighboring countries; but as of 1932, and as a consequence of the measures taken to alleviate the economic crisis of the time, the borders were closed and the migratory flow was stopped.

Uruguay has, since then, had a negative migratory balance of -0.21 ‰. The main destinations of Uruguayan immigrants are Argentina, Brazil, Spain, the United States and Italy. European destinations are the preferred ones after the crisis of the beginning of the 21st century. The spoken language in Uruguay is Spanish, and there are no communities that speak pre-Columbian languages. As in Argentina, we speak the variety of Spanish called River Plate, influenced by Italian.

Source: World Development Indicators database  
Figures in italics refer to periods other than those specified.

World view	1990	2000	2010	2016
Population, total (millions)	3.11	3.32	3.37	3.44
Population growth (annual %)	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.4
Surface area (sq. km) (thousands)	176.2	176.2	176.2	176.2
Population density (people per sq. km of land area)	17.8	19	19.3	19.7
Poverty headcount ratio at national poverty lines (% of population)	..	..	18.5	9.4
Poverty headcount ratio at \$1.90 a day (2011 PPP) (% of population)	0.5	..	0.2	0.3
GNI, Atlas method (current US\$) (billions)	8.84	23.42	35.06	52.45
GNI per capita, Atlas method (current US\$)	2,840	7,050	10,390	15,230
GNI, PPP (current international \$) (billions)	19.06	33.79	54.37	72.77
GNI per capita, PPP (current international \$)	6,130	10,180	16,110	21,130
<b>People</b>				
Income share held by lowest 20%	5.3	..	4.9	5.1
Life expectancy at birth, total (years)	73	75	76	77
Fertility rate, total (births per woman)	2.5	2.2	2.1	2
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women ages 15-19)	69	65	59	56
Contraceptive prevalence, any methods (% of women ages 15-49)	..	84	..	..
Births attended by skilled health staff (% of total)	99	100	100	100
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	23	17	11	9

Prevalence of underweight, weight for age (% of children under 5)	6.5	5.2	4.5	..
Immunization, measles (% of children ages 12-23 months)	97	89	95	95
Primary completion rate, total (% of relevant age group)	94	97	104	103
School enrollment, primary (% gross)	108.6	109	112.1	108.6
School enrollment, secondary (% gross)	81	98	90	95
School enrollment, primary and secondary (gross), gender parity index (GPI)	..	1	1	1
Prevalence of HIV, total (% of population ages 15-49)	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.6
<b>Environment</b>				
Forest area (sq. km) (thousands)	8	13.7	17.3	18.5
Terrestrial and marine protected areas (% of total territorial area)	1.3	1.3	..	1.7
Annual freshwater withdrawals, total (% of internal resources)	..	4	..	4
Improved water source (% of population with access)	95	97	99	100
Improved sanitation facilities (% of population with access)	92	94	96	96
Urban population growth (annual %)	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.5
Energy use (kg of oil equivalent per capita)	724	931	1,211	1,378
CO2 emissions (metric tons per capita)	1.28	1.6	1.89	1.97
Electric power consumption (kWh per capita)	1,244	2,030	2,803	3,068

Economy				
GDP (current US\$) (billions)	9.3	22.82	40.28	52.42
GDP growth (annual %)	0.3	-1.9	7.8	1.5
Inflation, GDP deflator (annual %)	106.8	3.5	4.9	7
Agriculture, value added (% of GDP)	9	7	8	7
Industry, value added (% of GDP)	35	25	28	29
Services, etc., value added (% of GDP)	56	69	64	64
Exports of goods and services (% of GDP)	24	17	26	21
Imports of goods and services (% of GDP)	18	20	25	20
Gross capital formation (% of GDP)	12	14	19	19
Revenue, excluding grants (% of GDP)	23.8	24.7	29.9	30.4
Net lending (+) / net borrowing (-) (% of GDP)	0.5	-3	-0.9	-6.2
States and markets				
Time required to start a business (days)	..	45	64	7
Domestic credit provided by financial sector (% of GDP)	46.7	50.2	31.7	35.2
Tax revenue (% of GDP)	16.2	14.7	18.9	18.5
Military expenditure (% of GDP)	3.5	2.4	1.9	1.9
Mobile cellular subscriptions (per 100 people)	0	12.4	131.6	148.7
Individuals using the Internet (% of population)	0	10.5	46.4	66.4
High-technology exports (% of manufactured exports)	3	2	7	10
Statistical Capacity score (Overall average)	..	..	96	89
Global links				

Merchandise trade (% of GDP)	33	25	38	29
Net barter terms of trade index (2000 = 100)	116	100	93	112
External debt stocks, total (DOD, current US\$) (millions)	..	..	..	..
Total debt service (% of exports of goods, services and primary income)	..	..	..	..
Net migration (thousands)	-20	-104	-30	..
Personal remittances, received (current US\$) (millions)	..	0	125	85
Foreign direct investment, net inflows (BoP, current US\$) (millions)	42	263	2,191	-317
Net official development assistance received (current US\$) (millions)	52.4	18.6	47.5	19.2