

PERU AND UNESCO: KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

I. COUNTRY PROFILE

Political system

- The country is a Presidential Republic. The President is both Head of State and Head of Government; Cabinet is appointed by the President.
- President of the Republic: Mr Martín Alberto VIZCARRA CORNEJO (since 23 March 2018). He was elected as Vice-President in 2016 at the Presidential election won by Pedro Pablo Kuczynski. On 21 March 2018, the resignation of President Kuczynski was accepted by the Parliament on 23 March 2018 and Mr Vizcarra assumed the Presidency (Constitutional rule).
- Minister of Foreign Affairs: Mr Gustavo Adolfo Meza-Cuadra Velásquez (since 3 October 2019)
- Elections: President directly elected by absolute majority popular vote in two rounds if needed for a 5-year term (eligible for nonconsecutive terms. Next election to be held in April 2021.

Statistical data (source: UNDP Human Development Report)

- Total population (million): 32
- Human Development Index: 0.759 / 82^e rank
- Life expectancy at birth (years): 76.5
- Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2011 PPP\$): 12,323
- Internet users (% of population): 45.5%
- Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tones): 1.7

Education (source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics)

- Expected years of schooling (years): 13.8
- Compulsory education (years): 14 (from age 3 to 16)
- Net enrolment ratio in primary education (%): 95.35%
- Government expenditure on education (% of GDP): 3.8%

II. COOPERATION WITH UNESCO

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** 21 November 1946

2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** No (last mandate 2009-2013)

3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions:** 9

- 2021: Legal Committee
- 2021: Subsidiary Committee of the Meeting of States Parties to the 1970 Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property
- 2020: SDG-Education 2030 Steering Committee
- 2019: International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere
- 2019: Intergovernmental Council for the International Hydrological Programme Member
- 2019: Headquarters Committee
- 2019: Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme
- 2019: Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions Member
- Permanent membership: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

4. **DG's visits to the country:** None

5. **Former Director-General's visits to the country:** 1 in 2011

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO

- Ambassador Víctor Ricardo LUNA MENDOZA, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since September 2018)

7. UNESCO Office: Yes

- Established in 1995
- National Office headed by Mr Ernesto Fernandez Polcuch (P-5, Argentina) (since 1 November 2019)

8. Peruvian National Commission for UNESCO (Comisión Nacional Peruana de Cooperación con la UNESCO)

- Establishment: October 1947
- President/Chairperson: Ms Flor Aidee Pablo Medina, Minister of Education
- Secretary-General: Ms María Amelia Trigoso Barentzen
- Technical Coordinator: Ms Silvia Martínez

9. Personalities linked to the UNESCO activities: 3

- Mr Juan Diego Flórez, Goodwill Ambassador
- Ms Tania Libertad, Artists for Peace
- Ms Magaly Solier, Artists for Peace

10. UNESCO Chairs and UNITWIN Networks: 6 Chairs

- 2019: UNESCO Chair on Educational Policies and the 2030 Agenda, Universidad Antonio Ruiz de Montoya, Lima
- 2018: UNESCO Chair on Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Tourism, University of San Martín de Porres, Lima
- 2017: UNESCO Chair on Improving the Teaching of Reading and Writing in the early grades of primary education, Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University
- 2016: UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality in Higher Education Institutions, The Pontifical Catholic University of Peru
- 2014: UNESCO Chair on “Cultural Diversity and Dialogue”, University Ricardo Palma
- 2003: UNESCO Chair in Communication and Culture of Peace, University of Lima, Lima

11. Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet) : 72

- Pre-primary (2), Pre-primary to Secondary (2), Primary (23), Primary/Secondary (25), Secondary (6), Teacher Training Institution (4), Vocational and Technical Institution (8), and Higher Technological Institutes (2)

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 1

- Regional Centre for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Heritage of Latin America (CRESPIAL), in Cusco (signed in March 2014; into force from January 2015)

13. Biosphere Reserves: 5

- 2016: Gran Pajatén
- 2010: Oxapampa-Ashaninka-Yanesha
- 1977: Noroeste Amotapes-Manglares (extended in 2017; part of Transboundary Bosques de Paz with Ecuador)

- 1977: Huascarán
- 1977: Manu (extended in 2017)

14. UNESCO Global Geopark Network: 1

- 2019: Colca y Volcanes de Andagua

15. World Heritage

Sites inscribed on the World Heritage List: 12 (8 Cultural, 2 Natural and 2 Mixed)

- 2014: Qhapaq Ñan, Andean Road System (Transboundary property: Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru) (Cultural)
- 2009: Sacred City of Caral-Supe (Cultural)
- 2000: Historical Centre of the City of Arequipa (Cultural)
- 1994: Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca and Palpa (Cultural)
- 1990: Río Abiseo National Park (Mixed)
- 1988: Historic Centre of Lima (Cultural)
- 1987: Manú National Park (Natural)
- 1986: **Chan Chan Archaeological Zone (Cultural)** (List of World Heritage in Danger since 1986)
- 1985: Huascarán National Park (Natural)
- 1983: City of Cuzco (Cultural)
- 1983: Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu (Mixed)
- 1985: Chavin (Archaeological Site) (Cultural)

Tentative List: 24

- 2019: Archaeological complex of Marcahuamachuco
- 2019: Archaeological Complex of Toro Muerto
- 2019: Baroque Temples of Collao
- 2019: Battlefield of Ayacucho
- 2019: Ceremonial Centers and Forests in the La Leche Valley
- 2019: Chachapoyas sites of the Utcubamba Valley
- 2019: Cultural Landscape of the Sondondo Valley
- 2019: Guano Islands, Islets, and Capes National Reserve System from Peru (RNSIIPG)
- 2019: Wineries and Vineyards for traditional Pisco Production
- 2019: Huayllay National Sanctuary
- 2019: Landscape Reserve Sub Cuenca del Cotahuasi
- 2019: Las Huarinas Lagoons
- 2019: Nasca Aqueducts
- 2019: Paleontological Sites of Pisco and Camana Basins
- 2019: Peruvian Central Railway
- 2019: Rural Temples of Cusco
- 2019: Salt Mines of Maras
- 2019: Sierra del Divisor National Park
- 2019: The Coastal Lomas System of Peru
- 2017: Santa Bárbara mining complex
- 2013: Chankillo Astronomical Complex
- 2005: Lake Titicaca
- 2002: The Historic Centre of Cajamarca
- 1996: Historic Center of the City of Trujillo

16. Intangible Heritage Lists: 12 elements in 3 Lists

Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity: 10

- 2019: 'Hatajo de Negritos' and 'Hatajo de Pallitas' from the Peruvian south-central coastline
- 2017: Traditional system of Corongo's water judges
- 2015: Wititi dance of the Colca Valley
- 2014: Festivity of Virgen de la Candelaria of Puno
- 2013: Knowledge, skills and rituals related to the annual renewal of the Q'eshwachaka bridge
- 2011: Pilgrimage to the sanctuary of the Lord of Qoyllurit'i
- 2010: Huaconada, ritual dance of Mito
- 2010: Scissors dance
- 2008: Oral heritage and cultural manifestations of the Zápara people (Ecuador and Peru)
- 2008: Taquile and its textile art

List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding: 1

- 2011: Eshuva, Harákmbut sung prayers of Peru's Huachipaire people

Register of Good Safeguarding Practices: 1

- 2009: Safeguarding intangible cultural heritage of Aymara communities in Bolivia, Chile and Peru (Chile, Peru and Plurinational State of Bolivia)

17. Memory of the World Register: 3

- 2013: Peruvian and South American First Editions (1584-1619)
- 2013: Travelling Registry of the Conquistadors or "Becerro Book"
- 2007: American Colonial Music: a sample of its documentary richness (Bolivia, Colombia, Mexico and Peru)

Memory of the World Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (MOWLAC): 7

- 2018: 8 manuscritos de la obra intelectual de Ricardo Palma Soriano (1870-1904)
- 2017: Acta Fundación de Lima, 18 enero de 1853
- 2016: Gazofilacio Real del Perú, Gazophilatij Regis Perubici. Madrid, 1647 (Perú y Bolivia)
- 2016: Archivo del Registro Único de Víctimas de la violencia Política en el Perú (1980-2000) del Consejo de Reparaciones
- 2016: Archivos de la comisión de la verdad y reconciliación que testimonia la violencia política ocurrida en el Perú en los años 1980 y 2000
- 2015: Padrón de los Indios que se hallaron en la Ciudad de los Reyes del Perú (1613-1614) hecho por comisión de don Juan de Mendoza y Luna, tercer Marqués de Montesclaros y XI Virrey del Perú (1607-1615) (Perú y España)
- 2002: Memoria científica de América Andina: las expediciones e investigaciones científicas en Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador y Perú. Siglos XVIII-XIX (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Perú y España)

18. Creative Cities Network: 2

- 2019: Arequipa – City of Gastronomy
- 2019: Ayacucho – City of Crafts and Folk Art

19. UNESCO's standard-setting instruments

Ratified conventions:

Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	16/07/1963	Ratification
Convention against Discrimination in Education. Paris, 14 December 1960.	19/12/1966	Ratification
Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.	24/10/1979	Acceptance

Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.	24/02/1982	Ratification
Protocol 1 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention concerning the application of that Convention to the works of stateless persons and refugees. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	22/04/1985	Accession
Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Paris, 24 July 1971.	22/04/1985	Accession
Protocol 1 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971 concerning the application of that Convention to work of stateless persons and refugees. Paris, 24 July 1971.	22/04/1985	Accession
Protocol 2 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971 concerning the application of that Convention to works of certain international organizations. Paris, 24 July 1971.	22/04/1985	Accession
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961.	07/05/1985	Accession
Convention relating to the Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite. Brussels, 21 May 1974.	07/05/1985	Accession
Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971.	07/05/1985	Accession
Multilateral Convention for the Avoidance of Double Taxation of Copyright Royalties, with model bilateral agreement and additional Protocol. Madrid, 13 December 1979.	15/04/1988	Accession
Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict with Regulations for the Execution of the Convention. The Hague, 14 May 1954.	21/07/1989	Accession
Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 14 May 1954.	21/07/1989	Accession
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971.	30/03/1992	Ratification
Protocol to amend the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Paris, 3 December 1982.	30/03/1992	Ratification
Regional Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean. Mexico City, 19 July 1974.	17/02/1994	Ratification
Second Protocol to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 26 March 1999.	24/05/2005	Ratification
Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003.	23/09/2005	Ratification
International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	16/10/2006	Ratification
Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	16/10/2006	Accession

20. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2020-2021: None

21. Participation Programme:

- 2018-2019: 3 projects approved for a total amount of US\$ 70,000 and one emergency assistance for US\$ 40,000.
- 2016-2017: in May 2017, the Director-General approved an emergency assistance for US\$49,975, following mudslides and floods induced by the "El Niño Costero" phenomenon, which caused serious damage to educational infrastructure within the country. The Lima Office implemented this emergency assistance.

22. UNESCO Fellowships Programme

- Since 2010, 13 fellowships have been awarded to Peru for a total amount of US\$ 294,540.

23. Non-governmental organizations in official partnership with UNESCO: None

24. Payment of assessed membership fees (as at 31 January 2020):

- Assessment rate for 2020: 0.196 %

25. Representation within the Secretariat (as at 24/02/2019): Under-represented (Max. 4; Min. 3) with 1 Professional staff in geographical posts:

Young Professional Programme: Peru submitted 15 candidatures for the YPP 2018. Applications of interviewed candidates are kept in a ROSTER for possible assignment matching the profile.

26. Map of Peru:

