

ST. KITTS **NEVIS**

Citizenship by Investment Program

ARTON INDEX



MOBILITY

QUALITY OF LIFE

20 SIMPLICITY

The Arton Index is an overall assessment and comparative benchmark of the country and its investment program.

LOCATION

Caribbean, islands in the Caribbean Sea

CAPITAL

Basseterre

TIME DIFFERENCE UTC-4

TOTAL AREA

 $261\,km^2$

AGE DEMOGRAPHICS

0-14: 20.09%, 15-24: 14.28%, 25-54: 44.25%, 55-64: 12.35%, 65+: 9.03%

LANGUAGE

English (official)

RELIGIONS

Anglican, other Protestant, Roman Catholic

GOVERNMENT TYPE

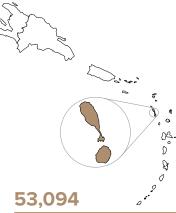
Federal parliamentary democracy (National Assembly) under a constitutional monarchy and Commonwealth realm

CURRENCY

East Caribbean dollars (XCD), tied to USD

EXCHANGE RATE

1 USD = XCD 2.70 (2017)



Population growth

28,200 USD

GDP (per capita) GDP (purchasing power parity): 1.55 billion USD

145

0.70%

Visa-free countries



With its breathtaking natural beauty, warm skies and white sandy beaches, St. Kitts & Nevis is one of the most stunning destinations in the Caribbean. And you could be waking up there every morning in as little as a few months.

QUALIFICATIONS

Saint Christopher and Nevis' Citizenship by Investment Program was established in 1984 under the regulations of the 1984 Citizenship Act, Part II, Section 3 (5), which makes it the longest established citizenship by investment program in the world.

To qualify for citizenship in St. Kitts & Nevis, applicants must fulfill one of the investment options in addition to the following criteria:

- Be of outstanding character;
- ♦ Hold no criminal record;
- Have excellent health;
- Have a high personal net worth;
- Applicants 16 years and older must be interviewed as part of the due diligence process;
- Dependents aged 16 and over are subject to interviews if determined to be necessary.

WHY CHOOSE ST. KITTS & NEVIS?

This beautiful two-island nation is blessed with tropical temperatures, clear blue waters and a bustling trade and tourism economy.

It is well-connected by direct flights to and from Europe and the U.S., and offers residents and citizens sought-after advantages, such as dual citizenship and tax-free worldwide income. As one of the longest-established programs of its kind, the St. Kitts & Nevis Citizenship by Investment Program offers applicants a host of unique benefits:

- Fast processing within 4 months;
- ♦ Inclusion of dependent children under 25, and dependent parents 65 and over;
- Addition of dependents under 16, born after citizenship has been granted to be processed through the Ministry of National Security;
- $\diamond \quad \text{No physical residency requirements;} \\$
- No requirement to travel to St. Kitts & Nevis during the application process;
- $\diamond \quad \text{No education or management experience required;} \\$
- ♦ Visa-free travel to more than 140 countries;
- ♦ No tax on worldwide income.



INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Sustainable Island State Contribution (SISC)

The Sustainable Island State Contribution (SISC) will invest in sustainable areas benefiting every citizen and resident of St. Kitts and Nevis, including health care, education, alternative energy, heritage, infrastructure, tourism and culture, climate change and resilience, and the promotion of indigenous entrepreneurship.

Depending on the total number of applicants, the following contribution levels must be met:

- ♦ US\$250,000: Single applicant;
- ♦ US\$300,000: Main applicant and a spouse;
- ♦ US\$300,000: Main applicant and one dependent;
- US\$350,000: Main applicant, a spouse and one or two dependents;
- US\$350,000: Main applicant and two or three dependents;
- ♦ US\$50,000: Per additional dependent under 18;
- US\$75,000: Per additional dependent aged 18 or over.

Real Estate Investment

Seven-Year Hold Period

Applicants may purchase government-approved property valued at a minimum of US\$400,000, or purchase shares valued at the same minimum amount in a real estate development. The investment must be maintained for a minimum of seven years. Investors may be required to pay additional taxes and fees.

Arton handpicks prestigious projects to meet our clients' expectations. Please contact us for available options.

APPLICATION FEES

Arton's Advisory fees are based on the number of dependents, country of origin, residence and other retained services, as well as service and legal fees related to the submission of citizenship and passport application for the main applicant. The advisory fees are non-refundable and are payable in two equal installments.

All application fees charged by the St. Kitts and Nevis government and by Arton are subject to change. These fees depend on the number of applicants and the complexity of the process. Please contact us if you have any questions or need more information.

ADDITIONAL FEES

Applicants will need to pay any additional government, passport application and due diligence fees associated with their chosen investment and according to the number of dependents.

GOVERNMENT REAL ESTATE FEES

- ♦ US\$35,000: Main applicant.
- US\$20,000: Spouse.
- ♦ US\$10,000: Dependent.

DUE DILIGENCE FEES

- ♦ US\$10,000: Main applicant.
- US\$7,500: Dependents aged 16 and over.

The increased due diligence fees cover the cost of the mandatory interview requirements.



STEPS AND TIMELINE

The following table breaks down the St. Kitts & Nevis program application process into six basic steps. Each step must be completed before continuing to the next.

THE PROCESS	MONTH 1	STEP 1 File preparation. Arton issues pre-approval letter. Advisory and due diligence fees are due at this step.
	MONTH 2	STEP 2 Citizenship file submission.
	MONTH 3	STEP 3 Government's Citizenship-by-Investment Unit issues Approved in Principle letter.
		STEP 4 Investment made in selected option. Payment of government fees, if applicable.
	Ç	STEP 5 Naturalization Certificate issued.
	MONTH 4	STEP 6 Submission of passport application, if applicable.
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The St. Kitts and Nevis Citizenship-by-Investment Program is offered by Arton Advisors, a member of the Arton Group. The above timeline is an estimate provided for information purposes only based on experiences with past clients. Processing times and costs will vary depending on a number of factors. Arton Advisors is not responsible for any changes to the estimations above; we can provide specific time and cost estimates on an individual basis. Please refer to our website for the most up-to-date information.