

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Afghanistan</div></div>	
<div>Islamic Republic of Afghanistan</div> <div>De Afghānistān Islāmi Dawlat/<span>Dowlat-e Eslāmi-ye Afghānestān</span></div>	
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Area:	652,090 km <span>²</span>
Population:	29,863,000 (2005)
Capital:	Kābul (2,956,000)
Administration:	31 provinces
Languages:	Pashto/Dari
Religions:	Muslim 99%
Currency:	1 afghani = 100 puls
Major cities:	Kandahār (226,000), Herāt (177,000), Jalālābād (168,000), Mazār-e Sharīf (128,000), Baghlān (125,000), Kunduz (122,000), Meymaneh (76,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Albania</div></div>	
<div>Republic of Albania</div> <div>Republika e Shqipërisë</div>	
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Area:	28,748 km <span>²</span>
Population:	3,130,000 (2005)
Capital:	Tirana (343,000)
Administration:	36 districts
Languages:	Albanian
Religions:	Muslim 70%, <div>Albanian Orthodox 20%,<div>Roman Catholic 10%</div></div>
Currency:	1 lek = 100 qindars
Major cities:	Durrës (100,000), Elbasan (88,000), Shkodër (83,000), Vlorë (78,000), Korçë (55,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Algeria</div></div>	
<div>People's Democratic Republic of Algeria</div> <div>Al-Jumhūriyah al-Jazā'iriyah ad-Dimuqrāṭīyah ash-Sha'bīyah</div>	
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Area:	2,381,741 km <span>²</span>
Population:	32,854,000 (2005)
Capital:	Algiers (2,956,000)
Administration:	48 provinces (wilayat)
Languages:	Arabic, Berber
Religions:	Muslim 99.9%
Currency:	1 Alger. dinar = 100 centimes
Major cities:	Oran (656,000), Constantine (462,000), Annaba (349,000), Batna (243,000), Sétif (212,000), Sidi bel Abbès (180,000), Beskra (171,000), Djelfa (154,000), Skikda (153,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>American Samoa</div></div>	
<div><i>(territory of the U.S.)</i></div> <div>Territory of American Samoa</div>	
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Area:	199 km <span>²</span>
Population:	65,000 (2005)
Capital:	Pago Pago (4,000)
Administration:	none (territory of the U.S.)
Languages:	Samoan/English/Tongan
Religions:	Christ. Congregationalist 50% <div>Roman Catholic 20%</div>
Currency:	1 U.S.-Dollar = 100 cents
Major cities:	Tafuna (11,000), Nu'uuli (5,000), Leone (4,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Andorra</div></div>	
<div>Principality of Andorra</div> <div>Principat d'Andorra</div>	
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Area:	468 km <span>²</span>
Population:	67,000 (2005)
Capital:	Andorra la Vella (21,000)
Administration:	7 parishes
Languages:	Catalan, Spanish, French
Religions:	Roman Catholic 92%
Currency:	1 euro = 100 cent
Major cities:	Escaldes-Engordany (15,500), Encamp (10,700), St. Julià de Lòrio (7,800), La Massana (6,600)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Angola</div></div>	
<div>Republic of Angola</div> <div>República de Angola</div>	
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Area:	1,246,700 km <span>²</span>
Population:	15,941,000 (2005)
Capital:	Luanda (2,623,000)
Administration:	18 provinces
Languages:	Portuguese, Bantu languages
Religions:	Christian 89%, traditional beliefs
Currency:	1 readjusted kwanza = 100 lwei
Major cities:	Huambo (173,000), Lobito (137,000), Benguela (134,000), Kuito (89,000), Lubango (76,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Anguilla</div></div>	
<div><i>(overseas territory of the U.K.)</i></div>	
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Area:	96 km <span>²</span>
Population:	12,000 (2005)
Capital:	The Valley (1,400)
Administration:	none (overseas territory of the U.K.)
Languages:	English
Religions:	Anglican 29%, <div>Methodist 24%,<div>other Protestant 30%</div></div>
Currency:	East Caribbean dollar
Major cities:	North Side (1,500), Stoney Ground (1,200)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Antigua and Barbuda</div></div>	
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Area:	457 km <span>²</span>
Population:	81,000 (2005)
Capital:	Saint John's (24,000)
Administration:	6 parishes, 2 dependencies
Languages:	English, Creole
Religions:	Anglican 80%, <div>Roman Catholic 20%</div>
Currency:	1 Eastern Caribbean dollar = 100 cents
Major cities:	Codrington (1,200)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Argentina</div></div>	
<div>Argentine Republic</div> <div>República Argentina</div>	
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Area:	2,780,400 km <span>²</span>
Population:	38,747,000 (2005)
Capital:	Buenos Aires (2,776,000)
Administration:	23 provinces, <div>1 federal district</div>
Languages:	Spanish, Indian languages
Religions:	Roman Catholic 91%, <div>Protestant 2%</div>
Currency:	1 peso = 100 centavos
Major cities:	Córdoba (1,268,000), San Justo (1,254,000), Rosario (906,000), Lomas de Zamora (591,000), La Plata (553,000), Mar del Plata (542,000), San Miguel de Tucumán (526,000), Quilmes (519,000), Almirante Brown (514,000), Merlo (469,000), Salta (463,000), Lanús (453,000), General San Martín (405,000), Moreno (380,000)

#### External Territory:

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Argentine Antarctic Sector</div></div>	
<div>Sector Antártico Argentino</div> <div><i>Claimed by Argentina,</i></div>	
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Area:	1,231,000 km <span>²</span>
Research stations	

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Armenia</div></div>	
<div>Republic of Armenia</div> <div>Hayastani Hanrapetut'yun</div>	
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Area:	29,743 km <span>²</span>
Population:	3,016,000 (2005)
Capital:	Yerevan (1,246,000)
Administration:	11 provinces
Languages:	Armenian, Russian
Religions:	Armenian Apostolic Church
Currency:	1 dram = 100 lumas
Major cities:	Gyumri (150,000), Vanadzor (106,000), Vagharshapat (56,000), Hrazdan (53,000), Kapan (46,000), Abovyan (45,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Aruba</div></div>	
<div><i>(part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands)</i></div>	
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Area:	193 km <span>²</span>
Population:	99,000 (2005)
Capital:	Oranjestad (30,000)
Administration:	none (part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands)
Languages:	Dutch, Papiamentu
Religions:	Roman Catholic 82%, <div>Protestant 8%</div>
Currency:	Aruban guilder/florin
Major cities:	Sint Nicolas (17,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Australia</div></div>	
<div>Commonwealth of Australia</div>	
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Area:	7,692,024 km <span>²</span>
Population:	20,155,000 (2005)
Capital:	Canberra (321,000)
Administration:	6 states, 2 territories
Languages:	English, Australian languages
Religions:	Roman Catholic 27%, <div>Anglican 21%,<div>other Christian 21%</div></div>
Currency:	1 Austral. dollar = 100 cents
Major cities:	Sydney (A: 4,155,000), Melbourne (3,489,000), Brisbane (1,653,000), Perth (1,397,000), Adelaide (1,111,000), Newcastle (494,000), Gold Coast (426,000)

	Area km²	Population 2004	Capital
<b>States</b>			
New South Wales	800,640	6,731,000	Sydney
Queensland	1,730,650	3,882,000	Brisbane
South Australia	983,480	1,534,000	Adelaide
Tasmania	68,400	482,000	Hobart
Victoria	227,420	4,973,000	Melbourne
Western Australia	2,529,880	1,982,000	Perth
<b>Territories</b>			
Australian Capital Territory	2,360	312,000	Canberra
Northern Territory	1,349,130	200,000	Darwin

#### External Territories:

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Ashmore and Cartier Islands</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Ashmore and Cartier Islands</div>	
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Area:	2 km <span>²</span> /uninhabited

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Australian Antarctic Territory</div></div>	
<div><i>Claimed by Australia</i></div>	
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Area:	c. 6,120,000 km <span>²</span>
Research stations	

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Christmas Island</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Christmas Island</div>	
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Area:	135 km <span>²</span>
Population:	361 (2005)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Cocos (Keeling) Islands</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Cocos Islands</div>	
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Area:	14 km <span>²</span>
Population:	628 (2005)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Coral Sea Islands</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Coral Sea Islands</div>	
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Reefs and islands scattered over a sea area of about 1 million km² (uninhabited)	

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Heard and the McDonald Islands</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Heard and the McDonald Islands</div>	
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Area:	412 km <span>²</span> /uninhabited

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Norfolk Island</div></div>	
<div>Territory of Norfolk Island</div>	
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Area:	35 km <span>²</span>
Population:	1,828 (2005)
Capital:	Kingston

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Austria</div></div>	
<div>Republic of Austria</div> <div>Republik Österreich</div>	
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Area:	83,859 km <span>²</span>
Population:	8,189,000 (2005)
Capital:	Vienna (1,584,000)
Administration:	9 federal states
Languages:	German/Slovene /Croatian/ <div>Hungarian (regionally)</div>
Religions:	Roman Catholic 73%, <div>Protestant 5%</div>
Currency:	1 euro = 100 cent
Major cities:	Graz (226,000), Linz (184,000), Salzburg (143,000), Innsbruck (113,000), Klagenfurt (90,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Azerbaijan</div></div>	
<div>Azerbaijani Republic</div> <div>Azərbaycan Respublikası</div>	
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Area:	86,600 km <span>²</span>
Population:	8,411,000 (2005)
Capital:	Bakı (1,840,000)
Administration:	54 districts, 9 city com-munes, Nakhichevan (Naxçıvan) Aut. Republic, Nagorno-Karabakh Region
Languages:	Azerbaijani, Russian
Religions:	Muslim 90%
Currency:	1 manat =100 gopik
Major cities:	Gəncə (293,000), Sumqayıt (249,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Bahamas, The</div></div>	
<div>Commonwealth of the Bahamas</div>	
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Area:	13,878 km <span>²</span>
Population:	323,000 (2005)
Capital:	Nassau (211,000)
Administration:	18 districts
Languages:	English, Creole
Religions:	Baptist 31%, Roman Catholic 16%, Anglican 16%
Currency:	1 Bahamian dollar = 100 cents
Major cities:	Freeport (27,000), Cooper Town (8,000), Marsh Harbour (5,000), High Rock (4,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Bahrain</div></div>	
<div>Kingdom of Bahrain</div> <div>Mamlakat al-Baḥrayn</div>	
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Area:	694 km <span>²</span>
Population:	727,000 (2005)
Capital:	Manama (154,000)
Administration:	12 regions
Languages:	Arabic, English
Religions:	Muslim 80%
Currency:	1 Bahrain dinar = 1,000 fils
Major cities:	Al-Muḥarraḡ (92,000), Ar Rifa'a (80,000), Hammād (53,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Bangladesh</div></div>	
<div>People's Republic of Bangladesh</div> <div>Ġan Prajatantri Baṅlādes</div>	
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Area:	147,570 km <span>²</span>
Population:	141,822,000 (2005)
Capital:	Dhaka (9,913,000)
Administration:	6 provinces
Languages:	Bengali, English
Religions:	Muslim 87% (mainly Sunni), <div>Hindu 12%</div>
Currency:	1 taka = 100 paisa
Major cities:	Chittagong (3,202,000), Khulna (811,000), Rājshāhi (403,000), Sylhet (299,000), Tongi (296,000), Rang-pur (264,000), Mymensingh (237,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Barbados</div></div>	
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Area:	430 km <span>²</span>
Population:	270,000 (2005)
Capital:	Bridgetown (98,000)
Administration:	11 parishes
Languages:	English, Bajan
Religions:	Anglican 40%, <div>other Protestants 30%,<div>non-denominational 20%</div></div>
Currency:	1 Barbados dollar = 100 cents
Major cities:	Speightstown (3,500), Bathsheba (1,800)

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<div>Republic of Belarus</div> <div>Рэспубліка Беларусь</div>	
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Area:	207,600 km <span>²</span>
Population:	9,755,000 (2005)
Capital:	Minsk (1,699,000)
Administration:	6 provinces, capital
Languages:	Belarusian/Russian
Religions:	Russian Orthodox 60%, <div>Roman Catholic 8%</div>
Currency:	1 Belarusian rouble = 100 kopeks
Major cities:	Homyel (480,000), Mahilyow (361,000), Vitsyebsk (342,000), Hrodna (207,000), Brest (291,000)

<div><div><span></span></div><div>Belgium</div></div>	
<div>Kingdom of Belgium</div> <div>Royaume de Belgique,/Koninkrijk België./Königreich Belgien</div>	
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Area:	30,518 km <span>²</span>
Population:	10,419,000 (2005)
Capital:	Brussels (A: 999,000)
Administration:	3 regions: Flanders, Wallonia, Brussels-Capital
Languages:	French/Dutch/German
Religions:	Roman Catholic 81%
Currency:	1 euro = 100 cent
Major cities:	Antwerp (449,000), Ghent (226,000), Charleroi (200,000), Liège (185,000), Brugge (117,000)

<sup>[1]</sup> km² = 0.3861 square mile