

The World Factbook



South Asia :: India

Location:

Southern Asia, bordering the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal, between Burma and Pakistan

Geographic coordinates:

20 00N ,77 00 E

Map references:

Asia

Area:

total: 3,287,263 sq km

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land: 2,973,193 sq km

water: 314,070 sq km

Area - comparative:

slightly more than one-third the size of the US

Land boundaries:

total: 14,103km

border countries: Bangladesh 4,053 km,Bhutan 605km ,Burma 1,463km ,China 3,380km ,Nepal 1,690km ,Pakistan 2,912 km

Coastline:

7,000km

Maritime claims:

territorial sea: 12nm

contiguous zone: 24nm

exclusive economic zone: 200nm

continental shelf: 200 nm or to the edge of the continental margin

Climate:

varies from tropical monsoon in south to temperate in north

Terrain:

upland plain (Deccan Plateau) in south, flat to rolling plain along the Ganges, deserts in west, Himalayas in north

Elevation extremes:

lowest point: Indian Ocean 0 m

highest point: Kanchenjunga 8,598m

Natural resources:

coal (fourth-largest reserves in the world), iron ore, manganese, mica, bauxite, rare earth elements, titanium ore, chromite, natural gas, diamonds, petroleum, limestone, arable land

Land use:

arable land: 47.87%

permanent crops: 3.74%

other: 48.39% (2011)

Irrigated land:

663,340 km² (2008)

People and Society :: India

Nationality:

noun: Indian(s)

adjective: Indian

Ethnic groups:

Indo-Aryan 72%, Dravidian 25%, Mongoloid and other 3% (2000)

Languages:

Hindi 41%, Bengali 8.1%, Telugu 7.2%, Marathi 7%, Tamil 5.9%, Urdu 5%, Gujarati 4.5%, Kannada 3.7%, Malayalam 3.2%, Oriya 3.2%, Punjabi 2.8%, Assamese 1.3%, Maithili 1.2%, other 5.9%

note: English enjoys the status of subsidiary official language but is the most important language for national, political, and commercial communication; Hindi is the most widely spoken language and primary tongue of 41% of the people; there are 14 other official languages: Bengali, Telugu, Marathi, Tamil, Urdu, Gujarati, Malayalam, Kannada, Oriya, Punjabi, Assamese, Kashmiri, Sindhi, and Sanskrit; Hindustani is a popular variant of Hindi/Urdu spoken widely throughout northern India but is not an official language (2001 census)

Religions:

Hindu 80.5%, Muslim 13.4%, Christian 2.3%, Sikh 1.9%, other 1.8%, unspecified 0.1% (2001 census)

Population:

1,236,344,631 (July 2014 est.)

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Urbanization:

urban population: 31.3% of total population (2011)

rate of urbanization: 2.47% annual rate of change (2010-15 est.)

Major urban areas - population:

NEW DELHI (capital) 21.72 million; Mumbai 19.695 million; Kolkata 15.294 million; Chennai 7.416 million; Bangalore 7.079 million (2009)

Government :: India

Country name:

conventional long form: Republic of India

conventional short form: India

local long form: Republic of India/Bharatiya Ganarajya

local short form: India/Bharat

Government type:

federal republic

Capital:

name: New Delhi

geographic coordinates: 28°36'N, 77°12'E

time difference: UTC+5.5 (10.5 hours ahead of Washington, DC during Standard Time)

Administrative divisions:

28 states and 7 union territories*; Andaman and Nicobar Islands*, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh*, Chhattisgarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli*, Daman and Diu*, Delhi*, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep*, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Odisha, Puducherry*, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal

note: although its status is that of a union territory, the official name of Delhi is National Capital Territory of Delhi

Independence:

15 August 1947 (from the UK)

National holiday:

Republic Day, 26 January (1950)

Constitution:

previous 1935 (preindependence); latest draft completed 4 November 1949, adopted 26 November 1949, effective 26 January 1950; amended many times, last in 2013 (2013)

Executive branch:

chief of state: President Pranab MUKHERJEE (since 22 July 2012); Vice President Mohammad Hamid ANSARI (since 1 August 2007)

head of government: Prime Minister Manmohan SINGH (since 22 May 2004)

International organization participation:

ABEDA, ADB, AfDB (nonregional member), ARF, ASEAN (dialogue partner), BIMSTEC, BIS, BRICS, C, CD, CERN (observer), CICA, CP, EAS, FAO, FATF, G-15, G-20, G-77, IAEA, IBRD, ICAO, ICC (national committees), ICRM, IDA, IFAD, IFC, IFRCs, IHO, ILO, IMF, IMO, IMSO, Interpol, IOC, IOM, IPU, ISO, ITSO, ITU, ITUC (NGOs), LAS (observer), MIGA, MONUSCO, NAM, OAS (observer), OECD, OPCW, PCA, PIF (partner), SAARC, SACEP, SCO (observer), UN, UNCTAD, UNDOF, UNESCO, UNHCR, UNIDO, UNIFIL, UNISFA, UNITAR, UNMISS, UNOCI, UNSC (temporary), UNWTO, UPU, WCO, WFTU (NGOs), WHO, WIPO, WMO, WTO

Economy :: India

GDP (purchasing power parity):

\$4.962 trillion (2013 est.)

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\$4.78 trillion (2012 est.)

\$4.63 trillion (2011 est.)

note: data are in 2013 US dollars

GDP (official exchange rate):

\$1.758 trillion (2013 est.)

GDP - real growth rate:

4.7% (2013 est.)

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5.1% (2012 est.)

7.5% (2011 est.)

GDP - per capita (PPP):

\$4,000 (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 168

\$3,900 (2012 est.)

\$3,800 (2011 est.)

note: data are in 2013 US dollars

Gross national saving:

28.8% of GDP (2013 est.)

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28.8% of GDP (2012 est.)

30.3% of GDP (2011 est.)

GDP - composition, by end use:

household consumption: 56.4%

government consumption: 12.4%

investment in fixed capital: 29.6%

investment in inventories: 8.2%

exports of goods and services: 25.2%

imports of goods and services: -31.8% (2013 est.)

GDP - composition, by sector of origin:**agriculture:** 16.9%**industry:** 17%**services:** 66.1% (2013 est.)**Agriculture - products:**

rice, wheat, oilseed, cotton, jute, tea, sugarcane, lentils, onions, potatoes; dairy products, sheep, goats, poultry; fish

Industries:

textiles, chemicals, food processing, steel, transportation equipment, cement, mining, petroleum, machinery, software, pharmaceuticals

Industrial production growth rate:

0.9% (2013 est.)

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1 April - 31 March

Exports:

\$313.2 billion (2013 est.)

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\$296.8 billion (2012 est.)

Exports - commodities:

petroleum products, precious stones, machinery, iron and steel, chemicals, vehicles, apparel

Exports - partners:

UAE 12.3%, US 12.2%, China 5%, Singapore 4.9%, Hong Kong 4.1% (2012)

Imports:

\$467.5 billion (2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 12

\$488.9 billion (2012 est.)

Imports - commodities:

crude oil, precious stones, machinery, fertilizer, iron and steel, chemicals

Imports - partners:

China 10.7%, UAE 7.8%, Saudi Arabia 6.8%, Switzerland 6.2%, US 5.1% (2012)

Exchange rates:

Indian rupees (INR) per US dollar -

58.68 (2013 est.)

53.437 (2012 est.)

45.726 (2011 est.)

48.403 (2009)

43.319 (2008)

Energy :: India**Electricity - production:**

985.4 billion kWh (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 5**Electricity - consumption:**

698.8 billion kWh (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 6**Electricity - exports:**

62 million kWh (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 81**Electricity - imports:**

5.7 billion kWh (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 35**Electricity - installed generating****capacity:**

208.1 million kW (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 6

Electricity - from fossil fuels:

70.8% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 104

Electricity - from nuclear fuels:

2.2% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 26

Electricity - from hydroelectric plants:

19.5% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 92

Electricity - from other renewable**sources:**

7.5% of total installed capacity (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 33

Crude oil - production:

990,200 bbl /day (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 22

Crude oil - exports:

0 bbl/day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 130

Crude oil - imports:

3.27 million bbl /day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 5

Crude oil - proved reserves:

5.47 billion bbl (1 January 2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

Refined petroleum products -**production:**

4.21 million bbl /day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 5

Refined petroleum products -**consumption:**

3.29 million bbl /day (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 5

Refined petroleum products - exports:

1.24 million bbl /day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 6

Refined petroleum products - imports:

379,600 bbl /day (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 16

Natural gas - production:

40.3 billion cu m (2012 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

Natural gas - consumption:

64.4 billion cu m (2010 est.)

country comparison to the world: 12

Natural gas - exports:

0 cu m (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 119

Natural gas - imports:

16.3 billion cu m (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

Natural gas - proved reserves:

1.24 trillion cu m (1 January 2013 est.)

country comparison to the world: 23

Carbon dioxide emissions from

consumption of energy:

1.726billion Mt (2011 est.)

country comparison to the world: 5

Communications :: India**Telephones - main lines in use:**

31.08million (2012)

country comparison to the world: 10

Telephones - mobile cellular:

893.862million (2013)

country comparison to the world: 2

Transportation :: India**Airports:**

346 (2013)

country comparison to the world: 21

Airports - with paved runways:

total: 253

over 3,047 m: 22

2,438 to 3,047 m : 59

1,524 to 2,437 m : 76

914 to 1,523 m: 82

under 914 m : 14 (2013)

Airports - with unpaved runways:

total: 93

over 3,047 m: 1

2,438 to 3,047 m : 3

1,524 to 2,437 m : 6

914 to 1,523 m: 38

under 914 m :

45 (2013)

Heliports:

45 (2013)

Pipelines:

condensate/gas 9 km; gas 13,58 km ; liquid petroleum gas 2,054 km ; oil 8,943 km ; oil/gas/water 20 km ; refined products 11,069 km (2013)

Railways:

total: 63,974 km

country comparison to the world: 4

broad gauge: 54,257 km 1.676-m gauge (18,927 km electrified)

narrow gauge: 7,180 km 1.000-m gauge; 2,537 km 0.762 m gauge and 0.610 m gauge (2009)

Roadways:

total: 4,689,842 km

country comparison to the world: 2

note: includes 79,116 km of national highways and expressways, 155,716 km of state highways , and 4,455,010 km of other roads (2013)

Waterways:

14,500 km (5,200 km on major rivers and 485 km on canals suitable for mechanized vessels) (2012)

country comparison to the world: 9

Merchant marine:

total: 340

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by type: bulk carrier 104 cargo 78 chemical tanker 22, container 14, liquefied gas 1, passenger 4, passenger /cargo 15 petroleum tanker 92

foreign-owned: 10 (China 1, Hong Kong 2, Jersey 2, Malaysia 1, UAE 4)

registered in other countries: 76 (Cyprus 4, Dominica 2, Liberia 8, Malta 3, Marshall Islands 10,

Nigeria 1, Panama 2, Saint Kitts and Nevis 2, Singapore 2, unknown 1) (2010)

Ports and terminals:

major seaport(s): Chennai, Jawaharal Nehru Port, Kandla, Kolkata (Calcutta), Mumbai (Bombay),
Sikka, Vishakhapatnam

container port(s) (TEUs): Chennai (1,558,343), Jawaharal Nehru Port (4,307,622)
ketamine and precursor production