

## South Africa, 2025

Sovereign Country



### Quickworld Factoid

Official Name : Republic of South Africa

Status : Sovereign Country

Regime : Presidential Republic

President : Cyril Ramaphosa

Active : 31 May 1910 - Present

Capital : Pretoria

Official Languages : Afrikaans, English, Northern Sotho, South Ndebele, Southern Sotho, Swati, Tsonga, Tswana, Venda, Xhosa, Zulu

Population : 51,770,560 - Permanent Population (South Africa Official Census - 2011)

Land Area : 1,215,000 sq km - 469,200 sq mi

Density : 42.6/sq km - 110/sq mi

World Region : Indian Ocean, Southern Africa

Coordinates : 28°28'S 24°40'E

Member of : African Union, Commonwealth of Nations, United Nations Organization

### Conflicts and Disputes

#### Territorial Disputes (1)

Disputes between Eswatini and South Africa

### Dependent Territories

#### Outlying Territories (1)

Prince Edward Islands

### Administrative Subdivisions

#### Provinces (9)

Eastern Cape

Kwazulu-Natal

North-West

Free State

Limpopo

Northern Cape

Gauteng

Mpumalanga

Western Cape

### Other Sub-Entities

#### National Parks (19)

Addo Elephant

Augrabies Falls

Agulhas

Bontebok

Ai-Ais/Richtersveld

Camdeboo

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Garden Route  
Kgalagadi  
Marakele  
Namaqua  
West Coast

Golden Gate Highlands  
Kruger  
Mokala  
Table Mountain

Karoo  
Mapungubwe  
Mountain Zebra  
Tankwa Karoo

## Former Dependencies and Subdivisions

### Dependencies (1)

Namibia

### Provinces (3)

Cape

Natal

Transvaal

## Names

Common Name :

South Africa

Suid-Afrika (*Afrikaans*)

Official Name :

Republic of South Africa

Republiek van Suid-Afrika (*Afrikaans*)

Former Names :

Union of South Africa - 31 May 1910 - 31 May 1961

Unie van Suid-Afrika (*Afrikaans*) - 31 May 1910 - 31 May 1961

Demonym : South African

ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 : ZA

ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 : ZAF

ISO 3166-1 numerical : 710

FIPS Code : SF00

## Physical Geography

World Region : Indian Ocean, Southern Africa

## Area

Land : 1,214,000 sq km - 468,800 sq mi

Dry Lakes : 627.9 sq km - 242.5 sq mi

Flooded Areas : 166.1 sq km - 64.2 sq mi

Freshwater : 6,770 sq km - 2,616 sq mi

Maritime Inland Waters : 504.9 sq km - 195.0 sq mi

Total Land : 1,215,000 sq km - 469,200 sq mi

Total Inland Waters : 7,275 sq km - 2,810 sq mi