

GHANA

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Capital: Accra **Time:** GMT

Background: Formed from the merger of the British colony of the Gold Coast and the Togoland trust territory, Ghana in 1957 became the first country in colonial Africa to gain its independence. A long series of coups resulted in the suspension of the constitution in 1981 and the banning of political parties. A new constitution, restoring multiparty politics, was approved in 1992.

Location: Western Africa, bordering the Gulf of Guinea, between Cote d'Ivoire and Togo

Map References: Africa

Area: total: 238,540 sq km land: 230,020 sq km water: 8,520 sq km

Climate: tropical; warm and comparatively dry along southeast coast; hot and humid in southwest; hot and dry in north

Terrain: mostly low plains with dissected plateau in south-central area

Natural Resources: gold, timber, industrial diamonds, bauxite, manganese, fish, rubber, hydropower

Population: 19,533,560

Nationality: noun: Ghanaian(s) adjective: Ghanaian

Ethnic Groups: black African 99.8% (major tribes - Akan 44%, Moshi-Dagomba 16%, Ewe 13%, Ga 8%), European and other 0.2%

Religions: indigenous beliefs 38%, Muslim 30%, Christian 24%, other 8%

Languages: English (official), African languages (including Akan, Moshi-Dagomba, Ewe, and Ga)

Economy: Well endowed with natural resources, Ghana has twice the per capita output of the poorer countries in West Africa. Even so, Ghana remains heavily dependent on international financial and technical assistance. Gold, timber, and cocoa production are major sources of foreign exchange. The domestic economy continues to revolve around subsistence agriculture, which accounts for 40% of GDP and employs 60% of the work force, mainly small landholders. In 1995-97, Ghana made mixed progress under a three-year structural adjustment program in cooperation with the IMF. On the minus side, public sector wage increases and regional peacekeeping commitments have led to continued inflationary deficit financing, depreciation of the cedi, and rising public discontent with Ghana's austerity measures. A rebound in gold prices is likely to push growth over 5% in 2000-01.

Industries: mining, lumbering, light manufacturing, aluminum smelting, food processing

Currency: 1 new cedi (C) = 100 pesewas

Railways: total: 953 km (undergoing major rehabilitation) narrow gauge: 953 km 1.067-m gauge (32 km double track) (1997 est.)

Highways: total: 39,409 km paved: 11,653 km (including 30 km of expressways) unpaved: 27,756 km (1997 est.)

Waterways: Volta, Ankobra, and Tano Rivers provide 168 km of perennial navigation for launches and lighters; Lake Volta provides 1,125 km of arterial and feeder waterways

Ports and Harbors: Takoradi, Tema

Airports: 12 (1999 est.) Airports - with paved runways: total: 6 2,438 to 3,047 m: 1 1,524 to 2,437 m: 3 914 to 1,523 m: 2 (1999 est.) Airports - with unpaved runways: total: 6 1,524 to 2,437 m: 1914 to 1,523 m: 3 under 914 m: 2 (1999 est.)

Visa: required by all except nationals of the ECOWAS countries.

Duty Free: goods permitted: 400 cigarettes or 100 c igars or 454g of tobacco, 750ml of spirits or 750ml of wine, 227ml of perfume. Duty must be paid on gifts.

Health: Tap water in cities is safe to drink. Rabies is present. Bilharzia is present, avoid swimming or bare-foot paddling in fresh water. Risk of malaria.

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