

# CIA World Factbook

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## United States Central Intelligence Agency (CIA): The World Factbook

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**The Factbook organizes data for each country or territory in these categories:** geography, people, government, economy, communications, transportation, military transnational issues. *The World Factbook* online version adds seven new entries, namely, median age, oil production, oil consumption, oil exports, oil imports, oil reserves. The web site version features four additional entries: **natural gas production, natural gas consumption, natural gas exports, and natural gas imports**. An update for several regional maps also has been made to reflect recent boundary changes.

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Table	Group	Definition	Source	Last IFs Update	UsedInPreprocessor	Years
SeriesEthnic1	SocioPolitical, Conflict	Size of largest ethnic group as percent of population	CIA World Factbook; holes filled (for 2007 column) by Jonathan Moyer various sources	2024/05/03	Yes	
SeriesEthnic2	SocioPolitical, Conflict	Size of second largest ethnic group as percent of population	CIA World Factbook; holes filled by Jonathan Moyer various sources	2024/05/03	Yes	
SeriesGDP2000PCPPP	Economic	GDP per capita (constant 2000 PPP International \$)	CIA and constructed (original mostly World Bank)	2012/02/24	Yes	

SeriesGDP2000PPP	Economic	GDP (PPP)	CIA (original mostly World Bank)	2003/07	No	
SeriesGDP2002PPP	Economic	GDP (PPP)	CIA (original mostly World Bank); courtesy of Evan Hillebrand	2004/01	No	
SeriesGDP2003PPP	Economic	GDP (PPP)	CIA (original partly World Bank); extended by Evan Hillebrand	2004/07	Yes	
SeriesGDP98PPP	Economic	GDP (PPP)	CIA		No	

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