

FACT FILE ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA



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Interesting facts

- ▣ South Africa is almost twice as big as Texas and three times the size of California.
- ▣ The country has 11 official languages.
- ▣ The **2010 FIFA World Cup** happened in **South Africa**
- ▣ Almost 40 percent of the gold mined on Earth has come from South Africa
- ▣ South Africa has one of the world's great wildlife sanctuaries. It's called Kruger National Park
- ▣ Because it's below the equator, South Africa's summers begin in September and last until April
- ▣ South Africa has an official national holiday called Youth Day. It's celebrated on June 16.

Wildlife

▣ South Africa is home to hundreds and thousands of species of wildlife, big and small.
The country's "Big Five!"

- ▣ Buffalo
- ▣ Elephant
- ▣ Leopard
- ▣ Lion
- ▣ Rhinoceros



Population

- ▣ The current population of South Africa is 59,111,901 as of Saturday, March 28, 2020, based on Worldometer elaboration of the latest United Nations data





- ▣ South Africa is amongst a minority of countries that does not have a single capital city. Instead, South Africa boasts three capital cities, one for each branch of government. Pretoria is the administrative capital of South Africa. Cape Town is the legislative capital. And Bloemfontein is the judicial capital.

Currency

South Africa - Money The rand (R)

- ▣ Coins are minted in values of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 cents, and R1, R2 and R5.
- ▣ Notes are printed in denominations of R10, R20, R50, R100 and R200.

