

# Federal Republic of Nigeria

- Population: 203,452,505 (July 2018 estimate)
- Median Age: 18.3 years
- Language(s): English (official); Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo (major); over 500 additional indigenous languages
- Government: Federal Presidential Republic
- President: Muhammadu Buhari
- Independence Day: October 1, 1960
- Land Area: 923,768 sq km (about six times the size of Georgia, slightly more than twice the size of California)
- Capital: Abuja
- Agricultural Land: 78% (2011 estimate)
- Forest: 9.5% (2011 estimate)
- Natural Resources: natural gas, petroleum, tin, iron ore, coal, limestone, niobium, lead, zinc, arable land
- Agricultural Products: cocoa, peanuts, cotton, palm oil, corn, rice sorghum, millet, cassava, yams, rubber, cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, timber, fish
- Currency: 362.5 Naira = 1 US Dollar

# Fun Facts

- Football is the national sport
- The name Nigeria is derived from Niger, which is the longest river in West Africa
- Oil is one of the biggest exports of the country
- Some Nigerians consider the left hand to be unclean and using it to be a sign of disrespect. Those that believe this do not eat, shake hands or receive items with their left hand

