

TUESDAY CAMBODIA

"Cambodia is largely a land of plains and great rivers and lies amid important overland and river trade routes linking China to India and Southeast Asia. The influences of many Asian cultures, alongside those of France and the United States, can be seen in the capital, Phnom Penh, one of a handful of urban centres in the largely rural country.

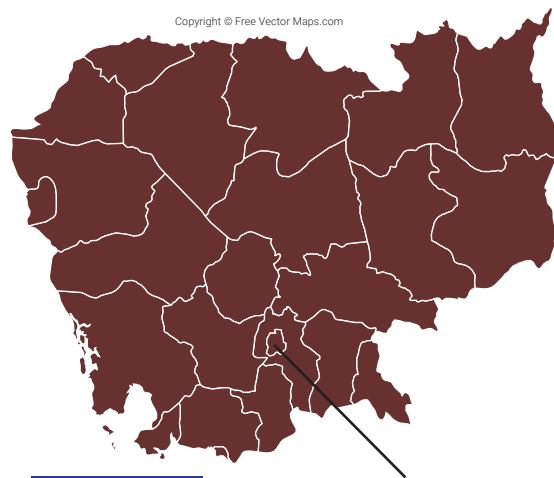
For 2,000 years Cambodia's civilization absorbed influences from India and China and, in turn, transferred them to other Southeast Asian civilizations. From the Hindu-Buddhist kingdoms of Funan and Chenla (1st–8th century) through the classical age of the Angkor period (9th–15th century), it held sway over territories that are now part of Thailand, Vietnam, and Laos.

The Khmer (Cambodian) empire reached its apex in the 12th century, a time marked by the construction of the massive temple complexes known as Angkor Wat and Bayon and the imperial capital of Angkor Thom.

Following 400 years of decline, Cambodia became a French colony and during the 20th century experienced the turmoil of war, occupation by the Japanese, postwar independence, and political instability.

Between 1975 and 1979 the country was devastated by the reign of the Khmer Rouge, a rural communist guerrilla movement. During the Khmer Rouge's period of power, at least 1.5 million Cambodians were killed or died, a monumental tragedy from which the country still suffers.

Cambodia began the process of recovery under the Vietnam-backed regime of the People's Republic of Kampuchea (1979–89), and in the 1990s it regained political autonomy, reestablished a constitutional government, and subsequently instituted free elections. The Cambodian economy has steadily improved, and the country seems to be living by the words of the Cambodian proverb, "Fear not the future, weep not for the past."



Capital: Phnom Penh
Capital Population: 2.3 million
Country Population: 17 million

- **People Groups in Cambodia**
- Khmer (14,384,000)
- Vietnamese (835,000)
- Chinese, Mandarin (479,000)
- Khmer Krom (287,000)
- Cham, Western (258,000)
- Chinese, Teochew (187,000)
- Chinese, Min Nan (148,000)
- Deaf (128,000)

10/40 Window People Clusters

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Thai

Unreached Population: 56,828,000
Unreached Peoples: 33
Main Religion: Buddhism

Sunda-Betawi of Java

Unreached Population: 33,065,000
Unreached Peoples: 2
Main Religion: Islam

Madura of Java

Unreached Population: 8,474,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Islam

Minangkabau-Rejang of Sumatra

Unreached Population: 7,132,000
Unreached Peoples: 8
Main Religion: Islam

Shan

Unreached Population: 4,339,000
Unreached Peoples: 10
Main Religion: Buddhism

Musi of Sumatra

Unreached Population: 3,740,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Islam

Lao

Unreached Population: 3,269,000
Unreached Peoples: 12
Main Religion: Buddhism

Pasemah of Sumatra

Unreached Population: 3,062,000
Unreached Peoples: 8
Main Religion: Islam

Gorontalo of Sulawesi

Unreached Population: 1,097,000
Unreached Peoples: 4
Main Religion: Islam

Tukangbesi of Sulawesi

Unreached Population: 1,000,000
Unreached Peoples: 17
Main Religion: Islam

Tai Dam

Unreached Population: 900,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

Ogan of Sumatra

Unreached Population: 736,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Islam

West Malaysia

Unreached Population: 79,000
Unreached Peoples: 20
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

SOUTH ASIA

Hindi

Unreached Population: 491,307,000
Unreached Peoples: 603
Main Religion: Hinduism

Rajasthan

Unreached Population: 72,442,000
Unreached Peoples: 175
Main Religion: Hinduism

Jat

Unreached Population: 70,276,000
Unreached Peoples: 157
Main Religion: Islam

Telugu

Unreached Population: 63,646,000
Unreached Peoples: 154
Main Religion: Hinduism

Marathi-Konkani

Unreached Population: 61,536,000
Unreached Peoples: 126
Main Religion: Hinduism

Gujarati

Unreached Population: 58,367,000
Unreached Peoples: 208
Main Religion: Hinduism

Kannada

Unreached Population: 35,107,000
Unreached Peoples: 164
Main Religion: Hinduism

Punjabi

Unreached Population: 30,603,000
Unreached Peoples: 206
Main Religion: Islam

WEDNESDAY ISRAEL

"Israel, country in the Middle East, located at the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea. It is bounded to the north by Lebanon, to the northeast by Syria, to the east and southeast by Jordan, to the southwest by Egypt, and to the west by the Mediterranean Sea. Jerusalem is the seat of government and the proclaimed capital, although the latter status has not received wide international recognition.

Israel is a small country with a relatively diverse topography, consisting of a lengthy coastal plain, highlands in the north and central regions, and the Negev desert in the south. Running the length of the country from north to south along its eastern border is the northern terminus of the Great Rift Valley.

The State of Israel is the only Jewish nation in the modern period, and the region that now falls within its borders has a lengthy and rich history that dates from prebiblical times. The area was a part of the Roman Empire and, later, the Byzantine Empire before falling under the control of the fledgling Islamic caliphate in the 7th century ce. Although the object of dispute during the Crusades, the region, then generally known as Palestine, remained under the sway of successive Islamic dynasties until the collapse of the Ottoman Empire at the end of World War I, when it was placed under British mandate from the League of Nations.

Even before the mandate, the desire for a Jewish homeland prompted a small number of Jews to immigrate to Palestine, a migration that grew dramatically during the second quarter of the 20th century with the increased persecution of Jews worldwide and subsequent Holocaust perpetrated by Nazi Germany. This vast influx of Jewish immigrants into the region, however, caused tension with the native Palestinian Arabs, and violence flared between the two groups leading up to the United Nations plan to partition Palestine into Jewish and Arab sectors and Israel's ensuing declaration of statehood on May 14, 1948.

Israel fought a series of wars against neighbouring Arab states during the next 35 years, which have resulted in ongoing disputes over territory and the status of refugees. Despite continuing tensions, however, Israel concluded peace treaties with several neighbouring Arab states during the final quarter of the 20th century."

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Capital: Jerusalem
Capital Population:
875,000
Country Population:
9.5 million

People Groups in Israel

Jewish, Israeli (5,082,000)
Arab, Palestinian/Israeli (1,576,000)
Jewish, Russian (725,000)
Jewish, Romanian (217,000)
Jewish, Yiddish-speaking (191,000)
Jewish, Polish (136,000)
Bedouin, Eastern Bedawi (133,000)

10/40 Window People Clusters

SOUTH ASIA (cont.)

South Asian, Other

Unreached Population: 17,906,000
Unreached Peoples: 180
Main Religion: Hinduism

Oriya

Unreached Population: 14,876,000
Unreached Peoples: 300
Main Religion: Hinduism

Nepali-Pahari

Unreached Population: 15,281,000
Unreached Peoples: 74
Main Religion: Hinduism

Kashmiri

Unreached Population: 11,153,000
Unreached Peoples: 81
Main Religion: Islam

Sinhala

Unreached Population: 9,958,000
Unreached Peoples: 9
Main Religion: Buddhism

South Himalaya

Unreached Population: 6,256,000
Unreached Peoples: 60
Main Religion: Hinduism

Maldivian

Unreached Population: 367,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Islam

MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

Arab, Maghreb

Unreached Population: 61,174,000
Unreached Peoples: 45
Main Religion: Islam

Hausa

Unreached Population: 36,524,000
Unreached Peoples: 19
Main Religion: Islam

Somali

Unreached Population: 17,646,000
Unreached Peoples: 25
Main Religion: Islam

Malinke

Unreached Population: 11,082,000
Unreached Peoples: 53
Main Religion: Islam

Kanuri-Saharan

Unreached Population: 9,840,000
Unreached Peoples: 29
Main Religion: Islam

Arab, Hassaniya

Unreached Population: 7,944,000
Unreached Peoples: 25
Main Religion: Islam

Songhai

Unreached Population: 5,646,000
Unreached Peoples: 23
Main Religion: Islam

Malinke-Bambara

Unreached Population: 5,011,000
Unreached Peoples: 14
Main Religion: Islam

Malinke-Jula

Unreached Population: 3,476,000
Unreached Peoples: 12
Main Religion: Islam

Quaddai-Fur

Unreached Population: 3,393,000
Unreached Peoples: 34
Main Religion: Islam

Nubian

Unreached Population: 3,032,000
Unreached Peoples: 31
Main Religion: Islam

Soninke

Unreached Population: 2,921,000
Unreached Peoples: 15
Main Religion: Islam

Twareg

Unreached Population: 2,852,000
Unreached Peoples: 16
Main Religion: Islam

Susu

Unreached Population: 1,391,000
Unreached Peoples: 5
Main Religion: Islam

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THURSDAY THAILAND

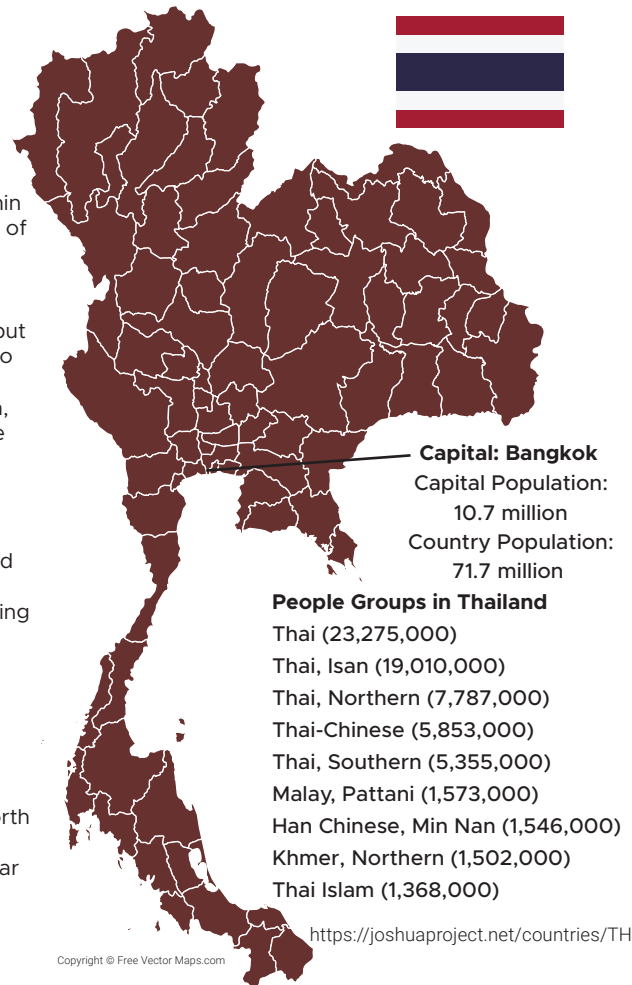
"Thailand, country, located in the centre of mainland Southeast Asia. Located wholly within the tropics, Thailand encompasses diverse ecosystems, including the hilly forested areas of the northern frontier, the fertile rice fields of the central plains, the broad plateau of the northeast, and the rugged coasts along the narrow southern peninsula.

Until the second half of the 20th century, Thailand was primarily an agricultural country, but since the 1960s increasing numbers of people have moved to Bangkok, the capital, and to other cities. Although the greater Bangkok metropolitan area remains the preeminent urban centre in the country, there are other sizable cities, such as Chiang Mai in the north, Nakhon Ratchasima (Khorat), Khon Kaen, and Udon Thani in the northeast, Pattaya in the southeast, and Hat Yai in the far south.

Siam, as Thailand was officially called until 1939, was never brought under European colonial domination. Independent Siam was ruled by an absolute monarchy until a revolution there in 1932. Since that time, Thailand has been a constitutional monarchy, and all subsequent constitutions have provided for an elected parliament. Political authority, however, has often been held by the military, which has taken power through coups. During the last two decades of the 20th century and the first decade of the 21st, parliamentary democracy steadily gained wider popular support. Although a crisis emerged in 2006, when the military, aligned with the monarchy, overthrew an elected government, new parliamentary elections were held—as promised by the interim government—in 2007...

Thailand's landscapes vary from low mountains to fertile alluvial plains dotted with rice paddies to sandy beaches set amid the equatorial latitudes of the Asian monsoons. The country is divided into five distinct physiographic regions: the folded mountains in the north and west, the Khorat Plateau in the northeast, the Chao Phraya River basin in the centre, the maritime corner of the central region in the southeast, and the long, slender peninsular portion in the southwest."

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10/40 Window People Clusters

CENTRAL ASIA

Urdu Muslim

Unreached Population: 105,204,000
Unreached Peoples: 374
Main Religion: Islam

Turkish

Unreached Population: 59,434,000
Unreached Peoples: 95
Main Religion: Islam

Persian

Unreached Population: 50,853,000
Unreached Peoples: 73
Main Religion: Islam

Pashtun

Unreached Population: 51,294,000
Unreached Peoples: 30
Main Religion: Islam

Uzbek

Unreached Population: 28,816,000
Unreached Peoples: 23
Main Religion: Islam

Kurd

Unreached Population: 27,713,000
Unreached Peoples: 24
Main Religion: Islam

Kazakh

Unreached Population: 14,436,000
Unreached Peoples: 29
Main Religion: Islam

Turkmen

Unreached Population: 8,931,000
Unreached Peoples: 15
Main Religion: Islam

Tajik

Unreached Population: 7,354,000
Unreached Peoples: 31
Main Religion: Islam

Sindhi

Unreached Population: 5,360,000
Unreached Peoples: 50
Main Religion: Islam

Luri-Bakhtiari

Unreached Population: 5,106,000
Unreached Peoples: 8
Main Religion: Islam

NORTHEAST ASIA

Japanese

Unreached Population: 132,273,000
Unreached Peoples: 55
Main Religion: Buddhism

Zhuang

Unreached Population: 18,599,000
Unreached Peoples: 30
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

Uyghur

Unreached Population: 15,312,000
Unreached Peoples: 28
Main Religion: Islam

Mongolian

Unreached Population: 11,976,000
Unreached Peoples: 53
Main Religion: Buddhism

Tai

Unreached Population: 6,864,000
Unreached Peoples: 78
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

Tibetan

Unreached Population: 6,188,000
Unreached Peoples: 84
Main Religion: Buddhism

Yao-Mien

Unreached Population: 5,804,000
Unreached Peoples: 38
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

Nosu

Unreached Population: 2,864,000
Unreached Peoples: 6
Main Religion: Ethnic Religions

EAST ASIA

Chinese

Unreached Population: 44,060,000
Unreached Peoples: 39
Main Religion: Non-Religious

Hui, Dungan

Unreached Population: 14,811,000
Unreached Peoples: 19
Main Religion: Islam

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