



Country Profile: Namibia

Namibia is a southern African country with a moderately developed economy. Facilities for tourism are good and generally increasing in quality. The capital is Windhoek. Read the Department of State [Background Notes](#) on Namibia for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Namibia
Continent:	Africa
Capital City:	Windhoek
Boundary Countries:	Angola, Botswana, South Africa, Zambia
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	Windhoek: Katutura State Hospital, Rhino Park Private Hospital, Roman Catholic Hospital, Windhoek Medi-Clinic
Main Cities:	Windhoek, Swakopmund, Walvis Bay, Lüderitz, Rundu, Gobabis, Rehoboth, Karasburg, Keetmanshoop, Grootfontein, Ondangwa, Katima Mulilo
Country Size:	825,418 sq km
Population:	2,044,147

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	English 7% (official), Afrikaans common language of most of the population and about 60% of the white population, German 32%, indigenous languages (Oshivambo, Herero, Nama)
Currency:	Namibian Dollar (NAD); South African Rand (ZAR)
Predominant Religions:	Christian 80% to 90% (Lutheran 50% at least), indigenous beliefs 10% to 20%
National Holidays:	Independence Day, 21 March (1990)
Economic Status:	Namibia is a southern African country with a moderately developed economy. A high per capita GDP, relative to the region, hides the world's worst inequality of income distribution. The Namibian economy is closely linked to South Africa with the Namibian dollar pegged one-to-one to the South African rand.
Security:	Namibian Defense Force: Army, Air Wing, Navy
US Presence:	U.S. Embassy Windhoek 14 Lossen Street Windhoek, Namibia Phone: 061-295-8500
Major Airports:	Airports: 137, Airports w/paved runways: 21 Windhoek – Hosea Kutako International Airport (WDH/FYWH) Windhoek Airport, Namibia, PO Box 1, Hosea Kutako International Airport, Windhoek, NAMIBIA Tel: +264 (0)61 295 5600, +264 (0)61 299 6602 Fax: +264 (0)61 295 5622, +264 (0)62 540338

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