

# APPENDIX: SOUTH ASIAN STATISTICAL INFORMATION

## Afghanistan

Capital	Kabul
Type of Government	Islamic Republic
Area (sq. km)	647,500
Arable Land (2005 est. )	12%
Population (July 2007 est.)	31,889,923
Currency	afghani (AFA)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 43.77; male: 43.6; female: 43.96
Ethnic Composition	Pashtun 42%, Tajik 27%, Hazara 9%, Uzbek 9%, Aimak 4%, Turkmen 3%, Baloch 2%, Other 4%
Religions	Sunni Muslim 80%, Shi'a Muslim 19%, other 1%
Languages	Afghan Persian or Dari (official) 50%, Pashtu (official) 35%, Turkic languages (primarily Uzbek and Turkmen) 11%, 30 minor languages (primarily Balochi and Pashai) 4%, much bilingualism
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2000 est.)	total population: 28.1%; male: 43.1%; female: 12.6%
Natural Resources	natural gas, petroleum, coal, copper, chromite, talc, barites, sulfur, lead, zinc, iron ore, salt, precious and semiprecious stones
Agricultural Products	opium, wheat, fruits, nuts, wool, mutton, sheepskins, lambskins
Industries	small-scale production of textiles, soap, furniture, shoes, fertilizer, and cement, hand-woven carpets, natural gas, coal, copper
Labor Force (2004 est.)	15 million
Labor Force By Occupation (2004 est.)	agriculture 80%, industry 10%, services 10%
Unemployment (2005 est.)	40.00%
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$800 (2004 est.)
GDP By Sector (2005 est.)	agriculture 38%; industry 24%; services 38%; note: data exclude opium production
External Debt (2004 est.)	\$8 billion in bilateral debt, mostly to Russia; Afghanistan has \$500 million in debt to Multilateral Development Banks
Exports (2005 est.)	\$471 million; note: not including illicit exports/reexports
Export Trading Partners (2005)	US 25.8%, India 21.2%, Pakistan 20.3%, Finland 4.1%
Imports (2005 est.)	\$3.87 billion; capital goods, food, textiles, petroleum products
Import Trading Partners (2005)	Pakistan 39%, US 9.6%, Germany 5.6%, India 5.3%, Turkey 4.2%, Turkmenistan 4.1%

## Bangladesh

Capital	Dhaka
Type of Government	parliamentary democracy
Area (sq. km)	144,000
Arable Land (2005 est.)	55%
Population (July 2007 est.)	150,448,339
Currency	taka (BDT)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 62.84; male: 62.81; female: 62.86
Ethnic Composition (1998)	Bengali 98%, other 2% (includes tribal groups, non-Bengali Muslims)
Religions (1998)	Muslim 83%, Hindu 16%, other 1%
Languages	Bangla (official, also known as Bengali), English
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2003 est.)	total population: 43.1%; male: 53.9%; female: 31.8%
Natural Resources	natural gas, arable land, timber, coal
Agricultural Products	rice, jute, tea, wheat, sugarcane, potatoes, tobacco, pulses, oilseeds, spices, fruit, beef, milk, poultry
Industries	cotton textiles, jute, garments, tea processing, paper newsprint, cement, chemical fertilizer, light engineering, sugar
Labor Force (2006 est.)	68 million; note: extensive export of labor to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, UAE, Oman, Qatar, and Malaysia; workers' remittances estimated at \$4.8 billion in 2005-06.
Labor Force By Occupation (FY95/96)	agriculture 63%, industry 11%, services 26%
Unemployment (2006 est.)	2.5% (includes underemployment)
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$2,300 (2006 est.)
GDP By Sector (2006 est.)	agriculture 19.9%; industry 20.6%; services 59.5%
External Debt (2006 est.)	\$22.55 billion
Exports (2006 est.)	\$11.17 billion; garments, jute and jute goods, leather, frozen fish and seafood
Export Trading Partners (2005)	US 23.6%, Germany 13.5%, UK 9.4%, France 6.4%
Imports (2006 est.)	\$13.77 billion; machinery and equipment, chemicals, iron and steel, textiles, foodstuffs, petroleum products, cement
Import Trading Partners (2005)	India 14.1%, China 13.5%, Kuwait 8.5%, Singapore 6.2%, Japan 4.1%, Hong Kong 4.1%

Source: Central Intelligence Agency, *The World Factbook 2007*.

## Bhutan

Capital	Thimphu
Type of Government	absolute monarchy; special treaty relationship with India; note: transition to a constitutional monarchy is expected in 2008
Area (sq. km)	47,000
Arable Land (2005 est.)	2.3%
Population (July 2007 est.)	2,327,849; note: other estimates range as low as 810,000
Currency	ngultrum (BTN); Indian rupee (INR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 55.17; male: 55.38; female: 54.96
Ethnic Composition	Bhote 50%, ethnic Nepalese 35% (includes Lhotsampas, one of several Nepalese ethnic groups), indigenous or migrant tribes 15%
Religions	Lamaistic Buddhist 75%, Indian- and Nepalese-influenced Hinduism 25%
Languages	Dzongkha (official), Bhotes speak various Tibetan dialects, Nepalese speak various Nepalese dialects
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2003 est.)	total population: 47%; male: 60%; female: 34%
Natural Resources	timber, hydropower, gypsum, calcium carbonate
Agricultural Products	rice, corn, root crops, citrus, foodgrains, dairy products, eggs
Industries	cement, wood products, processed fruits, alcoholic beverages, calcium carbide
Labor Force (1997 est.)	N/A%; massive shortage of skilled labor
Labor Force By Occupation	agriculture 63%; industry 6%; services 31% (2004 est.)
Unemployment	2.5% (2004)
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$1,400 (2003 est.)
GDP By Sector (2005)	agriculture 24.7%; industry 37.2%; services 38.1%
External Debt (2004)	\$593 million
Exports	\$186 million f.o.b. (2005); electricity (to India), cardamom, gypsum, timber, handicrafts, cement, fruit, precious stones, spices
Export Trading Partners (2005)	India 69.2%, Japan 9.1%, Germany 3.7%
Imports (2000)	\$410 million c.i.f. (2005); fuel and lubricants, grain, aircraft, machinery and parts, vehicles, fabrics, rice
Import Trading Partners (2005)	India 75.3%, Hong Kong 16.1%, Mexico 4.9%

## India

Capital	New Delhi
Type of Government	federal republic
Area (sq. km)	3,287,590
Arable Land (2005 est.)	48.83%
Population (July 2007 est.)	1,129,866,154
Currency	Indian rupee (INR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 68.59; male: 66.28; female: 71.17
Ethnic Composition (2000)	Indo-Aryan 72%, Dravidian 25%, Mongoloid and other 3%
Religions (2001 census)	Hindu 80.5%, Muslim 13.4%, Christian 2.3%, Sikh 1.9%, other 1.8%, unspecified 0.1%
Languages	There are 18 official languages: Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Malayalam, Manipuri, Marathi, Nepali, Oriya, Punjabi, Sindhi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Telugu, and Urdu. English enjoys associate status and Hindi is the national language and primary tongue of 30% of the population.
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2001 est.)	total population: 61%; male: 73.4%; female: 47.8%
Natural Resources	coal (fourth-largest reserves in the world), iron ore, manganese, mica, bauxite, titanium ore, chromite, natural gas, diamonds, petroleum, limestone, arable land
Agricultural Products	rice, wheat, oilseed, cotton, jute, tea, sugarcane, potatoes, cattle, water buffalo, sheep, goats, poultry, fish
Industries	textiles, chemicals, food processing, steel, transportation equipment, cement, mining, petroleum, machinery, software
Labor Force (2006 est.)	509.3 million
Labor Force By Occupation (2003)	agriculture 60%; industry 12%; services 28%
Unemployment (2006 est.)	7.80%
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$3,800 (2006 est.)
GDP By Sector (2005 est.)	agriculture 19.9%; industry 19.3%; services 60.7%
External Debt (2006 est.)	\$132.1 billion
Exports	\$112 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); textile goods, gems and jewelry, engineering goods, chemicals, leather manufactures
Export Trading Partners (2005)	US 16.7%, UAE 8.5%, China 6.6%, Singapore 5.3%, UK 4.9%, Hong Kong 4.4%
Imports	\$187.9 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); crude oil, machinery, gems, fertilizer, chemicals
Import Trading Partners (2005)	China 7.3%, US 5.6%, Switzerland 4.7%

## Maldives

Capital	Male
Type of Government	republic
Area (sq. km)	300
Arable Land (2005 est.)	13.33%
Population (July 2007 est.)	369,031
Currency	rufiyaa (MVR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 64.76; male: 63.41; female: 66.19
Ethnic Composition	South Indians, Sinhalese, Arabs
Religions	Sunni Muslim
Languages	Maldivian Dhivehi (dialect of Sinhala, script derived from Arabic), English spoken by most government officials.
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2000 census)	total population: 96.3%; male: 96.2%; female: 96.4%
Natural Resources	fish
Agricultural Products	coconuts, corn, sweet potatoes, fish
Industries	tourism, fish processing, shipping, boat building, coconut processing, garments, woven mats, rope, handicrafts, coral and sand mining
Labor Force (2004)	101,300
Labor Force By Occupation (1995)	agriculture 22%, industry 18%, services 60%
Unemployment (2003 est.)	Negligible
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$3,900 (2002 est.)
GDP By Sector (2006 est.)	agriculture 16%; industry 7%; services 77%
External Debt (2006 est.)	\$482 million
Exports	\$214 million f.o.b. (2006 est.); fish
Export Trading Partners (2005)	Japan 22.8%, Thailand 22.7%, Sri Lanka 16.4%, UK 12.6%, Singapore 5.8%, Germany 4.8%, France 4.3%
Imports	\$832 million f.o.b. (2006 est.); petroleum products, ships, foodstuffs, clothing, intermediate and capital goods
Import Trading Partners (2005)	Singapore 24.1%, UAE 15.7%, India 11.3%, Malaysia 7.2%, Sri Lanka 5.7%, UK 4.5%

## Nepal

Capital	Kathmandu
Type of Government	parliamentary democracy
Area (sq. km)	147,181
Arable Land (2005 est.)	16.07%
Population (July 2007 est.)	28,901,790
Currency	Nepalese rupee (NPR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 60.56; male: 60.78; female: 60.33
Ethnic Composition (2001 census)	Chhettri 15.5%, Brahman-Hill 12.5%, Magar 7%, Tharu 6.6%, Tamang 5.5%, Newar 5.4%, Muslim 4.2%, Kami 3.9%, Yadav 3.9%, other 32.7%, unspecified 2.8%
Religions (2001 Census)	Hinduism 80.6%, Buddhism 10.7%, Islam 4.2%, Kirant 3.6% other 0.9%; note: only official Hindu state
Languages (2001 Census)	Nepali 47.8%, Maithali 12.1%, Bhojpuri 7.4%, Tharu (Daguar/Rana) 5.8%, Tamang 5.1%, Newar 3.6%, Magar 3.3%, Awadhi 2.4%, Other 10%, unspecified 2.5%. Many in gov't. and business speak English
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2001 census)	total population: 48.6%; male: 62.7%; female: 34.9%
Natural Resources	quartz, water, timber, hydro-power, scenic beauty, small deposits of lignite, copper, cobalt, iron ore
Agricultural Products	rice, corn, wheat, sugarcane, root crops, milk, water buffalo meat
Industries	tourism, carpet, textile; small rice, jute, sugar, and oilseed mills; cigarette, cement and brick production
Labor Force (2006 est.)	11.11 million; note: severe lack of skilled labor
Labor Force By Occupation (2004 est.)	agriculture 76%; industry 6%; services 18%
Unemployment (2004 est.)	42.00%
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$1,500 (2006 est.)
GDP By Sector (FY05/06 est.)	agriculture: 38%; industry: 20%; services: 42%
External Debt (March 2006)	\$3.07 billion
Exports	\$822 million f.o.b.; note: does not include unrecorded border trade with India (2005 est.); carpets, clothing, leather goods, jute goods, grain
Export Trading Partners (2005)	India 53.7%, US 17.4%, Germany 7.1%
Imports	\$2 billion f.o.b. (2005 est.); gold, machinery and equipment, petroleum products, fertilizer
Import Trading Partners (2005)	India 47.7%, UAE 11.2%, China 10.8%, Saudi Arabia 4.9%, Kuwait 4.2%

## Pakistan

Capital	Islamabad
Type of Government	federal republic
Area (sq. km)	803,940
Arable Land (2005 est.)	24.44%
Population (July 2007 est.)	164,741,924
Currency	Pakistani rupee (PKR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 63.75; male: 62.73; female: 64.83
Ethnic Composition	Punjabi, Sindhi, Pashtun (Pathan), Baloch, Muhajir (immigrants from India at the time of partition and their descendants)
Religions	Muslim 97% (Sunni 77%, Shi'a 20%), other (includes Christian and Hindu) 3%
Languages	Punjabi 48%, Sindhi 12%, Siraiiki 10%, Pashtu 8%, Urdu (official) 8%, Balochi 3%, Hindko 2%, Brahui 1%, English (official), Burushaski, and other 8%
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2005 est.)	total population: 49.9%; male: 63%; female: 36%
Natural Resources	land, extensive natural gas reserves, limited petroleum, poor quality coal, iron ore, copper, salt, limestone
Agricultural Products	cotton, wheat, rice, sugarcane, fruits, vegetables, milk, beef, mutton, eggs
Industries	textiles and apparel, food processing, pharmaceuticals, construction materials, paper, products, fertilizer, shrimp
Labor Force (2006 est.)	48.29 million
Labor Force By Occupation (2004 est.)	agriculture 42%, industry 20%, services 38%
Unemployment (2006 est.)	6.5% plus underemployment
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$2,600 (2006 est.)
GDP By Sector (2006 est.)	agriculture 22%, industry 26%, services: 52%
External Debt (2006 est.)	\$42.38 billion
Exports	\$19.24 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); textiles (garments, bed linen, cotton cloth, and yarn), rice, leather goods, sports goods, chemicals, manufactures, carpets and rugs
Export Trading Partners (2005)	US 24.8%, UAE 7.8%, Afghanistan 6.6%, UK 5.7%, Germany 4.5%
Imports	\$26.79 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); petroleum, petroleum products, machinery, plastics, transportation equipment, edible oils, paper and paperboard, iron and steel, tea
Import Trading Partners (2005)	Saudi Arabia 11.1%, UAE 10.3%, China 9.2%, Japan 6.4%, US 6%, Kuwait 5%, Germany 4.5%

## Sri Lanka

Capital	Colombo
Type of Government	republic
Area (sq. km)	65,610
Arable Land (2005 est.)	13.96%
Population (July 2007 est.)	20,926,315
Currency	Sri Lankan rupee (LKR)
Life expectancy in years (2007 est.)	total population: 74.8; male: 72.81; female: 76.88
Ethnic Composition (2001 census)	Sinhalese 73.8%, Sri Lankan Moors 7.2%, Indian Tamil 4.6%, Sri Lankan Tamil 3.9%, other 0.5%, unspecified 10%
Religions (2001 provisional data)	Buddhist 69.1%, Hindu 7.1%, Christian 6.2%, Muslim 7.6%, unspecified 10%
Languages	Sinhala (official and national language) 74%, Tamil (national language) 18%, other 8%; note: English is commonly used in government and is spoken competently by about 10% of the population
Literacy (age 15 and over can read and write) (2001 census)	total population: 90.7%; male: 92.3%; female: 89.1%
Natural Resources	limestone, graphite, mineral sands, gems, phosphates, clay, hydropower
Agricultural Products	rice, sugarcane, grains, pulses, oilseed, spices, tea, rubber, coconuts, milk, eggs, hides, beef, fish
Industries	processing of rubber, tea, coconuts, tobacco and other agricultural commodities, telecommunications, insurance, banking, clothing, textiles, cement, petroleum refining
Labor Force (2006 est.)	7.5 million
Labor Force By Occupation (30 June 2006 est.)	agriculture 34.3%, industry 25.3%, services 40.4%
Unemployment (2006 est.)	7.60%
GDP Per capita (PPP)	\$4,700 (2006 est.)
GDP by Sector (2006 est.)	agriculture: 17.3%, industry: 27.3%, services: 55.3%
External Debt (2006 est.)	\$12.23 billion
Exports	\$7.076 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); textiles and apparel, tea, diamonds, emeralds, rubies, coconut products, rubber manufactures, fish
Export Trading Partners (2005)	US 31.1%, UK 12.2%, India 8.9%, Germany 4.3%
Imports	\$9.655 billion f.o.b. (2006 est.); textile fabrics, mineral products, petroleum, foodstuffs, machinery and transportation equipment
Import Trading Partners (2005)	India 20.7%, Singapore 8.3%, Hong Kong 7.3%, China 7.1%, Iran 5.9%, Malaysia 4.4%, Japan 4.3%