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South Africa at a Glance

Land surface area
1 220 813 km^2

Key economic sectors
Mining, transport, energy, manufacturing, tourism and agriculture.

Population
Total	57,73 million
Male	28,2 million (49%)
Female	29,5 million (51%)

Official languages
English, isiZulu, isiXhosa, isiNdebele, Afrikaans, Siswati, Sepedi, Sesotho, Setswana, Tshivenda and Xitsonga.

Currency
Rand (ZAR) – 100 cents equals one rand.

Time
GMT +2 hours.

Government
Constitutional multiparty democracy, with three spheres – local, provincial and national government.

Capitals
Pretoria (administrative); Cape Town (legislative); Bloemfontein (judicial). The Constitutional Court is located in Johannesburg.

Provinces
Eastern Cape, Free State, Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Limpopo, Mpumalanga, Northern Cape, North West and Western Cape.

Transportation
Excellent roads, rail and air facilities (both domestic and international). Public transport in major cities include the Gautrain between Johannesburg and Pretoria, and the Bus Rapid Transport System in major cities.

Telecommunications
World-class infrastructure. Internet access is widely available. The five mobile (cellular) networks are Vodacom, MTN, Cell C, Telkom Mobile and Virgin Mobile.

Health
Top-quality public and private healthcare is available throughout the country. Malaria precautions are necessary in some areas.

Source: *Statistics South Africa's Mid-year Population Estimates, 2018*.

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