

Maps

- South East Asia
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Esplanade: Fine Arts Building, Singapore

Part of the skyline of Singapore

- Republic of Singapore
- President: S. R. Nathan (1999)
- Prime Minister: Lee Hsien Loong (2004)
- Area: 267 sq mi (692.7 sq km)
- Population: (2004 est.): 4,353,893 (growth rate: 1.7%);

- birth rate: 9.6/1000;
- infant mortality rate: 2.3/1000;
- life expectancy: 81.5;
- density per sq mi: 16,279
- Capitol: Singapore, 3,438,600

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, officially Republic of Singapore, republic (1995 est. pop. 2,890,000), 240 sq mi (625 sq km). It consists of the island of Singapore (210 sq mi/544 sq km) and about 60 small adjacent islands at the southern tip of the Malay Peninsula, SE Asia. Singapore city, the capital, largest city, and chief port, is administratively coextensive with the republic. The distinction between Singapore and Singapore city has virtually disappeared, as almost the entire island has become urbanized.

- Monetary unit: Singapore dollar

- Languages: Malay (national), Mandarin Chinese, Tamil, English (all official)

- Ethnicity/Race: Chinese 76.7%, Malay 14%, Indian 7.9%, other 1.4%

- Religions: Buddhist (Chinese), Islam (Malays), Christian, Hindu, Sikh, Taoist, Confucianist

- Literacy rate: 93% (2003 est.)

