

# REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE



- **Capital City:** Singapore
- **Official Language:** Mandarin, Malay, Tamil, English

## 1) Geographical Features:

- Area: 697 sq km
- Geographical Coordinates: 1 22 N, 103 48 E
- Climate: tropical; hot, humid, rainy; two distinct monsoon seasons – north-eastern monsoon (December to March) and south-western monsoon (June to September); inter-monsoon – frequent afternoon and early evening thunderstorms
- Topography Type: lowlying, gently undulating central plateau

## 2) Political Features:

- Government Type: Parliamentary republic
- Head of State: President Halimah Yacob (since 14 September 2017)
- Head of Government: Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong (since 12 August 2004)

## 3) Economic Features:

- Total GDP: \$323.9 billion (2017 est.)
- GDP Growth Rate: 3.6% (2017 est.)
- GDP per Capita: \$ 94,100 (2017 est.)
- GDP (PPP): \$528.1 billion (2017 est.)

- Sectoral Composition of Economy (2017 est.):
- » Agriculture: 0%
- » Industry: 24.8%
- » Services: 75.2%
- Currency and Exchange Rate: Singapore dollars (SGD) per US dollar - 1.3 (2017 est.)
- Exports: \$396.8 billion (2017 est.)
- Biggest Exporting Partners: China 14.7%, Hong Kong 12.6%, Malaysia 10.8%, US 6.6%, Indonesia 5.8%, Japan 4.7%, South Korea 4.6%, Thailand 4% (2017)
- Imports: \$312.1 billion (2017 est.)
- Biggest Importing Partners: China 13.9%, Malaysia 12%, US 10.7%, Japan 6.3%, South Korea 5% (2017)

#### 4) **Social and Demographic Features:**

- Population Size: 5,995,991 (2018 est.)
- Main Languages Spoken: Mandarin (official) 36.3%, English (official) 29.8%, Malay (official) 11.9%, Hokkien 8.1%, Tamil (official) 4.4%, Cantonese 4.1%, Teochew 3.2%, other Indian languages 1.2%, other Chinese dialects 1.1%, other 1.1% (2010 est.)
- Main Religions Followed: Buddhist 33.2%, Christian 18.8%, Muslim 14%, Taoist 10%, Hindu 5%, other 0.6%, none 18.5% (2015 est.)
- Biggest Ethnic Groups: Chinese 74.3%, Malay 13.4%, Indian 9%, other 3.2% (2018 est.)
- Total Employment (millions; ages 15+): 3.2 (2016)
- Sex Ratio: 0.96 male(s)/female (2018 est.)

#### 5) **Military and Defense:**

- Total Defense Expenditure: \$10,458m (2018)
- Defense Expenditure as a % of GDP: 3.1% (2018)
- Military Obligation: 2 year conscript service obligation
- Military Strength (Active Manpower): 72,500 (2014)

#### 6) **Important rankings:**

- GDP Ranking (Nominal): 34 (2018)
- HDI Ranking: 9 (2018)
- Global Peace Index: 8 (2018)
- KOF Globalization Index: 20 (2018)
- Military Strength Ranking: 59 (2018)
- Where-to-be-born Index: 6 (2013)