

## Basic Indicators

	Items	Year/ Sub-Items	USA	Japan	S. Korea	PR China	HK SAR	Chinese Taipei	Singapore	Malaysia	Thailand	Philippines	Indonesia	Vietnam	Myanmar	Las PDR	Cambodia	Mongolia	Nepal	India	Sri Lanka	Bangladesh	Pakistan	
1)	Population (million)	2006	299.4	127.8	48.4	1,311.8	6.9	22.8	4.5	26.1	63.4	86.3	223.0	84.0	48.4	5.8	14.2	2.6	27.6	1,109.8	19.9	156.0	159.0	
2)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )		9,629,091	377,926	99,538	9,600,000	1,104	36,188	683	329,847	513,115	300,000	1,904,569	331,689	676,578	236,800	181,035	1,564,116	147,181	3,287,263	65,610	143,998	796,095	
3)	Capital		Washington D.C.	Tokyo	Seoul	Beijing	-	Taipei	Singapore	Kuala Lumpur	Bangkok	Manila	Jakarta	Hanoi	Nay Pyi Taw	Vientiane	Phnom Penh	Ulaanbaatar	Kathmandu	New Delhi	Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte	Dhaka	Islamabad	
4)	Political Regime		Constitution-based federal republic	Constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary government	Republic	Communist state	Special Administrative Region of PR China (since 1997)	Republic	Parliamentary republic	Constitutional Monarchy	Constitutional Monarchy	Republic	Republic	Communist state	Military junta	Communist state	Multiparty democracy under a constitutional monarchy	Mixed parliamentary/presidential	Democratic republic	Federal republic	Republic	Parliamentary democracy	Federal republic	
5)	Head of State		President	Not stated officially	President	President	President of PR China/ Chief Executive	President	President	King	King	President	President	President	Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council	President	King	President	-	President	President	President	President	
6)	Legislature		Bicameral	Bicameral	Unicameral	Unicameral	Legislative Council	Legislative Yuan	Unicameral	Bicameral	Bicameral	Bicameral	Unicameral	Unicameral	Bicameral parliament abolished by coup d'etat, SPDC exercise legislative functions	Unicameral	Unicameral	Unicameral	Caretaker parliament	Bicameral	Unicameral	Unicameral	Bicameral	
7)	Time Difference with Japan (hours)		East Coast: -14 West Coast: -17	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-1	-2	-2	-2.5	-2	-2	-1	-3.15	-3.5	-3	-3	-4	
8)	Ave. temperature in January (Celsius)		-0.4	3.6	-3.5	-4.6	15.5	15.1	26.0	26.1	25.9	26.0	25.8	25.8	25.0	21.3	25.0	-20.9	9.6	14.1	26.0	25.4	17.0	
	Ave. temperature in July (Celsius)		24.1	24.7	24.4	26.0	28.2	28.3	27.3	26.5	28.5	28.0	26.3	27.1	26.9	27.4	32.0	16.7	23.9	31.0	27.0	31.0	35.4	
	Annual Precipitation ( mm )		1,054	1,523	1,365	635	2,218	1,665	2,272	2,394	1,467	2,051	1,821	1,903	2,506	1,407	1,320	500mm	1,332	706	2,242	1,997	965	
9)	Composition of Ethnic Groups		Caucasian 75%, Blacks 12%, Asia Pacific 3.7%	Japanese, Korean, Chinese, etc.	Korean	Han 90% +, 55 minorities 8.46%	Chinese 95%	Han 98%, Indigenous 2%	Chinese 77%, Malay 14%, Indian 9%	Malay 65%, Chinese 26%, Indian 8%	Thai 75%, Chinese 14%	Malay dominance, Many Chinese-Spish mixed, other minorities	Malay dominance, Chinese 5%, 300 minority groups	Vietnamese 90%, Chinese 3%, 53 minority groups	Burmese 68%, 50 minority groups (Shan 9%, Karenni 7%, Rakhines 4%, etc.)	Thai 60%, 50 minority groups	Khmer dominance, 36 minority groups such as Cham	Mongolian 95%, Kazakh, etc.	Newar, Limbu, Tamang, Gurung, Thakali, etc.	Indo-Aryan 72%, Dravidian 25%	Sinhalese 74%, Tamil 18%, Moor 8%	Bengali 98%	Punjabi 66%, Sindhi 13%, Pashto 9%, Balochi 3%	
10)	Major Languages (Underlined are Official Languages)		<u>English</u> , Spanish	<u>Japanese</u>	<u>Korean</u>	<u>Chinese</u>	<u>Chinese</u> , <u>English</u> , Cantonese	<u>Mandarin</u> , Taiwanese, Hakka	<u>English</u> , <u>Chinese</u> , <u>Malay</u> , <u>Tamil</u>	<u>Malay</u> , English, Chinese, Tamil	<u>Thai</u> , Laotian, Khmer, Malay, Chinese	<u>Phillipino</u> , <u>English</u>	<u>Indonesian</u> , more than 250 ethnic languages	<u>Vietnamese</u>	<u>Burmese</u> , Ethnic languages such as Shan and Karenni	<u>Laotian</u>	<u>Khmer</u>	<u>Mongolian</u>	<u>Nepali</u>	<u>Hindi</u> , English (Supplementary official lang.), 17 regional official lang.	<u>Sinhalese</u> , <u>Tamil</u>	<u>Bengali</u>	<u>Urdu</u> , <u>Punjabi</u> , <u>Sindhi</u> , <u>Pashto</u>	
11)	Religion (Underlined are National Religion)		Protestant 56%, Catholic 28%, Jewish 2%, etc.	Shintoism, Buddhism, Christianity, etc.	Buddhist 25.3%, Protestant 19.8%, Catholic 7.4%, irreligion 46.1%	Buddhism, Christianity, Islam, etc.	Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Christianity	Taoism, Buddhism, Christianity, etc.	Buddhism, Islam, Hindu, Christianity, etc.	<u>Islam</u> , Buddhism, Hindu, etc.	Buddhist 95%, Muslim 4%	Catholic 83%, other Christianity 10%, Muslim 5%	Muslim 88%, Protestant 6%, Catholic 3%, Hindu 2%	Buddhism (Mahayana dominance), Catholic, etc.	Buddhism 89.4%, Christian 4.9%, Muslim 3.8%	Buddhist 65%+, Animism, etc.	<u>Buddhism</u>	Tibetan Buddhism	<u>Hindu</u> 80%, Buddhist 10%, Muslim 4%, Others	Hindu 80.5%, Muslim 13.4%, Christian 2.3%, Sikhism 1.9%	Buddhist 70%, Hindu 16%, Christian 7%, Muslim 7%	Muslim 89.7%, Hindu 9.2%, Buddhist 0.7%, Christian 0.3%	Muslim (Sunnah) 97%, Hindu 1.5%, Christian 1.3%	
12)	Literacy Rate (%)	2000-2004	99	99	99	90.9	93.5	96.97	92.5	88.7	92.6	92.6	87.9	90.3	89.7	66.4	73.6	97.8	44	61	90.4	41.1	48.7	
13)	GDP (Million USD)	2006	13,163.9	4,368.4	888.0	2,664.7	189.8	365.8	132.2	150.7	206.3	117.6	364.8	61.0	<u>10,900.0</u>	3.4	7.3	3.1	8.9	911.8	27.0	61.9	126.8	
14)	GNI p.c. (USD)	2006	44,710	38,630	17,690	2,000	29,040	17,250	28,730	5,620	3,050	1,390	1,420	700	<u>217</u>	500	490	1,000	320	820	1,310	450	800	
15)	Unemployment Rate (%)	2007 estimates (except for the underlined)	4.6	4	3.2	4	4.2	3.9	1.7	3.1	1.7	7.3	9.7	5.1	10.2	<u>2.4</u>	<u>2.5</u>	3	<u>42.0</u>	7.2	6.3	2.5	7.5	
16)	Currency		US dollar	Yen	Won	Yuan	HK dollar	New Taiwan dollar	Singapore dollar	Ringgit	Baht	Peso	Rupiah	Dong	Kyat	Kip	Riel	Tugrug	Rupee	Rupee	Sri Lankan rupee	Taka	Rupee	
	Exchange Rate (US\$1=)	2007	-	117.99	929.20	7.61	7.802	32.84	1.507	3.46	33.599	46.148	<u>9.056</u>	16,119	1,280	9,658	4,006	1,170.00	<u>72.446</u>	41.487	110.78	69.893	60.6295	
17)	Life Expectancy (yrs)	2008 estimates	78.14	82.07	77.42	73.18	81.77	77.76	81.89	73.06	72.83	70.80	70.46	71.33	<u>62.49</u>	56.29	61.69	67.32	60.94	69.25	74.97	63.21	64.13	
18)	Pop. Growth Rate (%)	2005-2015	0.8	-0.2	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.3 (2007 est.)	1.1	1.5	0.7	1.7	1.0	1.0	0.8	2.1	1.9	1.2	1.9	1.3	0.7	1.7	2.0	
19)	Structure of Industry in GDP	2005 (except for the underlined)	Agriculture & Fishery (1.0%), Manufacturing (12.1), Financial/Insurance/Estate (20.4), Service (28.1)	<u>Agriculture &amp; Fishery (1.7%)</u> , <u>Manufacturing (21.0)</u> , <u>Construction (21.3)</u> , <u>Service (21.3)</u> , <u>Wholesale/Retail/Estate (41.9)</u>	Agriculture & Fishery (3.0%), Mining (25.6), Utility (2.1), Construction (8.2), Service (61.1)	Agriculture & Fishery (12.5%), Mining (41.8), Construction (5.5), Transportation/Communication (7.6), Trade (9.4), Other service (23.3)	<u>Agriculture &amp; Fishery (0.1%)</u> , <u>Manufacturing (3.4)</u> , <u>Utility (3.1)</u> , <u>Construction (3.1)</u> , <u>Service (87.4)</u>	Agriculture & Fishery (1.7%), Mining (21.4), Utility (1.6), Construction (1.7), Service (73.3)	Agriculture & Fishery (0.1%), Manufacturing (26.8), Service (67.4), Utility (1.5), Construction (3.6)	Agriculture & Fishery (8.7%), Mining (45.7), Utility (2.9), Construction (3.1), Service (39.6)	Agriculture & Fishery (9.9%), Mining (37.9), Utility (3.1), Construction (3.1), Service (46.0)	Agriculture & Fishery (14.4%), Mining (24.6), Utility (3.7), Construction (4.4), Service (52.9)	Agriculture & Fishery (13.4%), Mining (38.5), Utility (0.9), Construction (6.4), Service (40.8)	Agriculture & Fishery (20.9%), Mining (31.2), Utility (3.5), Construction (6.4), Service (38.0)	<u>Agriculture &amp; Fishery (54.6%)</u> , <u>Mining (9.6)</u> , <u>Construction (3.3)</u> , <u>Service (32.3)</u>	Agriculture & Fishery (47.0%), Mining/Construction (27.3), Service (25.7)	Agriculture & Fishery (32.9%), Mining/Construction (29.2), Service (37.9)	Agriculture & Fishery (21.7%), Mining (24.8), Construction (2.3), Utility (3.1), Service (48.1)	<u>Agriculture &amp; Fishery (38.2%)</u> , <u>Mining (18.5)</u> , <u>Construction (10.4)</u> , <u>Service (40.8)</u>	<u>Agriculture &amp; Fishery (19.0%)</u> , <u>Mining (18.5)</u> , <u>Utility (2.1)</u> , <u>Construction (6.8)</u> , <u>Service (53.6)</u>	Agriculture & Fishery (17.2%), Mining (16.9), Utility (1.7), Construction (8.4), Service (55.7)	Agriculture & Fishery (19.2%), Mining (17.1), Utility (1.3), Construction (7.9), Service (54.5)	Agriculture & Fishery (21.5%), Mining (20.2), Construction (2.5), Service (53.3)	
20)	Year of Participating in International/ Regional Collaboration (Underlined are founding members)	UN	<u>1945</u>	1956	1991	<u>1945</u>	-	-	1965	1957	1946	<u>1945</u>	1950	1977	1948	1955	1955	1961	1955	<u>1945</u>	1955	1974	1947	
21)		GATT	<u>1948</u>	1955	1967	-	1986	-	1973	1957	1982	1979	1950	-	<u>1948</u>	-	-	-	-	<u>1948</u>	<u>1948</u>	1972	<u>1948</u>	
22)		WTO	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	2001	<u>1995</u>	2002	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>1995</u>	Observer	2004	1997	2004	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1995</u>
23)		OECD	<u>1964</u>	<u>1964</u>	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24)		ASEAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>1967</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1967</u>	1995	1997	1997	1999	-	-	-	-	-	-
25)		APEC	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	1991	1991	1991	1991	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1998</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26)	SAARC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>1985</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1985</u>	
27)	Flight time between Narita & capital city		12.5 hrs	-	2.5 hrs (Haneda-Kimpo)	3.15 hrs	5.05 hrs	3.25 hrs	7.35 hrs	6.5 hrs	6.5 hrs	5 hrs	7.4 hrs	4 hrs	8 hrs (NRT-BK-Yangon)	8 hrs (NRT-BKK-Vientiane)	8 hrs (NRT-BKK-Phnom Penh)	5 hrs	10 hrs (NRT-BKK-Kathmandu)	9 hrs	10 hrs	12 hrs	10 hrs	
28)	Other information related to Japan & concerned countries	Visa	Unnecessary	-	Unnecessary	Unnecessary within 15 days	Unnecessary	Unnecessary	Unnecessary	Unnecessary	Unnecessary	Unnecessary within 21 days	Necessary	Unnecessary within 15 days	Necessary	Unnecessary within 15 days	Necessary	Necessary	Necessary	Necessary	Unnecessary	Necessary	Necessary	
29)	# of Japanese nationals living in the country (Aug. 2007)		414,552	-	22,488	125,417	27,270	16,402	26,370	9,928	40,249	13,440	11,090	4,754	605	442	878	302	441	2,299	832	459	901	
30)	# of concerned nationals living in Japan		5,1321 (2006.12)	-	598,219 (2006)	560,741 (2006)	-	-	2,392 (2007)	7,910 (2006.1)	39,618 (2006.12)	187,261 (2005)	24,858 (2006.12)	32,485 (2006)	5,919 (2006.12)	2,478 (2006.12)	2,263 (2005.12)	3,300 (estimates)	5,929 (2004)	18,906 (2006.12)	6,467 (2001.12)	9,707 (2003)	8,610 (2005)	
31)	# of Japanese companies in the country (2007.8)		5,920	-	517	10,758	596	309	734	1,190	1,262	650	1,376	730	74	41	42	126	46	462	59	0	53	