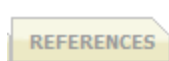# WORLD FACTBOOK USER'S GUIDE

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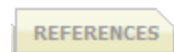
REGIONAL MAPS

The Regional Maps page contains a variety of JPG and PDF maps, by geographical regions, covering the entire globe. Also available are World maps and a Time Zone map.

Access through the Reference tab>Regional maps OR the 'Regional maps' button on the home page.

FLAGS OF THE WORLD

The Flags of the World page houses color images of national flags. Clicking on the Flag button will display a larger image of the flag, in a new window, accompanied by a description. The county button links to the county entry.

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GALLERY OF COVERS

The Gallery of Covers page displays all the front and back cover designs of The World Factbook since 1981. Clicking on the image displays a larger version.
The buttons underneath the large cover image allow users to scroll through the different covers.

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DEFINITION AND NOTES

The Definition and Notes page is an alphabetical listing of terms used in the Factbook and their definitions. Use the Alphabet in the top right corner to jump to a specific section based on the first letter of the term. On the right side of the word header is the Field Listing button, which takes users to a complete list of all the entries in that particular field (See example below)

Ethnic groups:

REFERENCES Access through the References tab>Definition and Notes OR simply click on any hyperlinked field title in any country entry.

GUIDE TO COUNTRY PROFILES

The Guide to Country Profiles page is a listing of all of the fields that can possibly appear in a country entry. For most fields, if no information is available that field will NOT show up in the Country Profile. Clicking on the fields in the Guide to country profiles will bring you to the definition of that field OR an NA will appear. On the right side of the word header is the Field Listing button, which takes users to a complete list of all the entries in that particular field.

Ethnic groups:

REFERENCES Access through the References tab>Guide to country profiles.

GUIDE TO COUNTRY COMPARISONS

The Guide to Country Comparisons lists all of the fields that contain rankings, comparing country to country. Clicking on the field name links to the rank order page. Clicking on a country name in the sorted list jumps to the country page.

REFERENCES **GUIDE TO COUNTRY COMPARISONS** Access through the References tab>Guide to Country Comparisons OR the button on the home page OR the underlined numbers included in select fields.

Not all Country Comparisons include the same number of entries because information for a particular field is not available for all countries. In addition, not all data fields are suitable for displaying as Country Comparisons, such as those containing textual information. Textual information is more readily viewed by clicking on the Field Listing icon next to the Data field title.
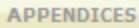
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All of the Country Comparisons' pages can be downloaded as tab-delimited data files and can be opened in other applications such as spreadsheets and databases. To save a Country Comparisons page in a spreadsheet, first click on the 'Download Datafile' choice above the Country Comparisons page you selected; then, at the top of your browser window, click on 'File' and 'Save As'. After saving the file, open the spreadsheet, find the saved file, and 'Open' it.

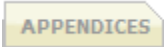# PAGE PARTS OVERVIEW – APPENDICES

A: ABBREVIATIONS

This handy appendix provides definitions for all the abbreviations found in the Factbook. Abbreviations may be acronyms or shortened titles and terms. Use the alphabet in the top right to navigate to the abbreviation you are looking for. A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

APPENDICES   Access through the Appendices tab> A: Abbreviations.
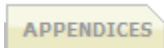
B: INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS

Appendix B contains descriptions of International Organizations and groupings of countries. The text describes the purpose or the parameters of the group or organization, and provides a list of member states. Use the alphabet in the top right   A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

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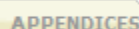## C: SELECTED INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENTS

This appendix outlines the objectives and parties involved in a select number of Environmental Agreements. Also listed are the important dates relating to signature and enactment. Use the alphabet in the top right to navigate.   A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

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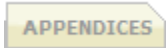## D: CROSS-REFERENCED LIST OF COUNTRY DATA CODES

A one stop shop for the various codes used to identify countries; includes FIPS 10, ISO 3166, STANAG 1059, and Internet. The definitions for the different codes reside at the top of the page. Use the alphabet in the top right to navigate. The   A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
country names are hyperlinks that jump directly
to a country's page.

APPENDICES   Access through the Appendices tab> D: Cross-Referenced List of Country Data Codes.

E: CROSS-REFERENCED LIST OF HYDROGRAPHIC DATA CODES

This appendix is similar to Appendix D except the codes relate to the Oceans and Seas of the World.
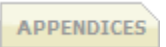
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F: CROSS-REFERENCED LIST OF GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

Appendix F is a compilation of the various names (current and former) used to refer to geographic areas, countries, regions, cities, etc. Also included are the coordinates of the listed geographic name. Use the alphabet in the top right to navigate.   A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
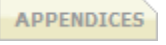
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G: WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Charts of unit conversions and mathematical notations may be found in Appendix G.

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BUTTONS:

The World Factbook's World entry.

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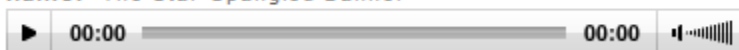
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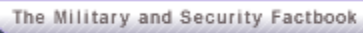DOWNLOAD DATA   Use this button to download the data you are viewing.

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