



Official name: Republic of the Philippines.

# DISCOVER THE PHILIPPINES



Money used: the Philippine peso.



The capital city, Manila, is known for its street food markets.



Popular foods: salted fish and rice, curries, *lechón* (a whole roasted pig), pancit noodles (recipe on Page 8).



Where in the world is the Philippines? It's in Southeast Asia!



Home to Chocolate Hills, an area with over 1,200 mound-shaped hills that look like chocolate when their grass turns brown!



Has a tropical climate with two seasons: wet and dry.



Includes over 7,100 islands. Most of the population live on only 11 of them.



Wild residents: Philippine eagles, pangolins, binturongs (Asian bearcats), dugongs (similar to manatees).

Popular sports: basketball, tennis, football (soccer), billiards, volleyball.

## Stats

Philippines

United States

### Population

116,434,200

339,665,118

### People Living Below Poverty Line

16.7%

15.1%

### Languages

Filipino (based on Tagalog), English, Cebuano, other local dialects

English, Spanish, Chinese, other

### Religions

Roman Catholic 79.5%  
Muslim 6%  
Iglesia ni Cristo 2.6%  
Evangelical 2.4%  
other/none 9.5%

Protestant 46.5%  
none/other 26.1%  
Roman Catholic 20.8%  
Jewish 1.9%  
Mormon 1.6%

Muslim 0.9%  
Jehovah's Witnesses 0.8%  
Buddhist 0.7%  
Hindu 0.7%

### Typical Family Income

\$8,100 per year

\$63,700 per year



There's a high rate of child abuse in the Philippines.

Hurricanes and floods can harm people and ruin homes.



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Compassion church partners help families recover after disasters.