

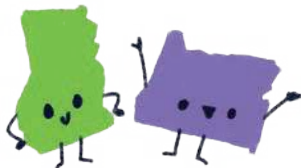


DISCOVER GHANA

Where in the world is Ghana? It's in West Africa!



Money used: the cedi.



Slightly smaller than Oregon but with about eight times as many residents.

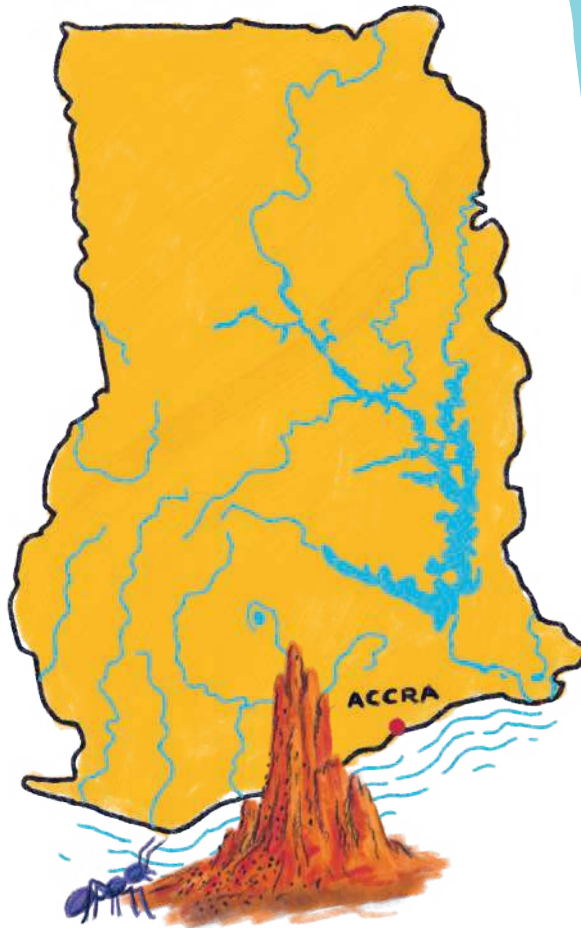


Popular foods: plantains, millet, yams, sorghum, leafy greens (recipe on Page 11).



Wild residents: cobras, leopards, warthogs, scarlet-tailed African gray parrots.

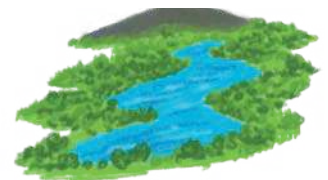
Home to at least 75 people groups and 250 dialects (language forms specific to a region or social group).



The name of the capital city, Accra, comes from a word for "ants" because of the many anthills in the area.



Traditional clothing is made of a brightly colored cloth called kente.



Home to Lake Volta, the world's largest human-made lake (by surface area).



The world's second-largest cocoa producer, after Côte d'Ivoire. Ghanaians have a saying: "Ghana is cocoa. Cocoa is Ghana."

Children begin two years of kindergarten at age 4.

Stats

Ghana

United States

Population

33,846,114

339,665,118

People Living Below Poverty Line

23.4%

15.1%

Languages

English (official), Asante, Ewe, other local dialects.

English, Spanish, Chinese, other

Religions

Christian 71.3%, Muslim 19.9%, other 4.5%, traditionalist 3.2%, none 1.1%.

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

\$5,400 per year

\$63,700 per year



Many children work in the cocoa industry for very low pay.

Violent discipline is used against many children.



Compassion's program works to keep young kids in school instead of working jobs.

Compassion workers teach families about parenting and children's rights.