

country updates

What are the main challenges facing the world's food systems?

The world's food systems are facing a number of challenges, including:

- Climate change
- Population growth
- Resource scarcity
- Food waste
- Food insecurity

These challenges are all interconnected and will have a significant impact on the world's food systems in the future.

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**Target of Opportunity:
South Africa's Western
Cape Seeks a Role in the
African Oil Boom**



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Topics Covered...

Cultural Aspects

- *Diversity* • *Language* • *Religion* • *Music*

Environmental Aspects

- *Climate* • *Topography* • *Ecosystems*

Country's Structure

- *Political* • *Economic* • *Providences* • *Capitals*

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Introduction

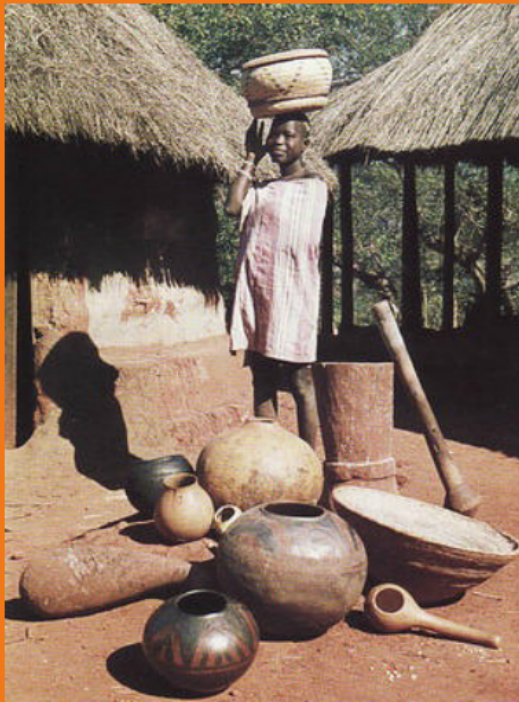
South Africa is associated with rich historical origins that presently reflect multiple cultures from around the globe. This country has become a blend of African, Asian, and East Indian tradition.

The scenic natural beauty and climate is a contribution from the surrounding oceanic borders and the topography of the region. South Africa also has a sufficient economy with progressive future plans. This country is the economic power for the entire Sub-Saharan of Africa.

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Cultural Flavor

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(TheSouthAfricanGuide, 2010)

- *Cultural Diversity*
- *Language*
- *Religion*
- *MUSIC*

South African Culture

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Culturally Diverse:

African (79%), mixed african (8.9%), asian (8.9%), white (8.9%), and east indian (2.5%)

Official Languages:

- Nearly 40% speak isiZulu or isiXhosa*
- English and Afrikaans (Dutch derived)*

Religion origins and Influence:

The majority of South Africans are Christian. Many churches combine Christian and traditional African beliefs, and many non-Christians adopt these traditional beliefs. Other significant religions are Islam, Hinduism and Judaism.

Popular Music Genres:

Black Jazz, Marabi, Kwela, Township Jazz, Reggae, Kwaito

(SouthAfricaInfo, 2012)

South African Music

TownShip Jazz and Dance

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South African Environmental Aspects



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• *Climate* • *Topography* • *Ecosystems*

South African Climate Variations

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"Classified as a semi-arid region, but has many variations of climate (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"In the Northwest region towards the Kalahari Desert, the summers are extremely hot and subject to icy conditions in the winter (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"The south-western corner of the country has a Mediterranean climate, with wet winters and hot, dry summers. Its most famous climatic characteristic is its wind that blows all year round from south-east or north-west (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"North of the Vaal River, the Highveld is better watered, and saved by its altitude from subtropical extremes of heat. Winters are cold, though snow is rare (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"One of the coldest places in the country is Sutherland, in the western Roggeveld Mountains, with midwinter temperatures as low as -15°C (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"The deep interior provides the hottest temperatures (SouthAfrica.Info, 2012)."

"Temperature and rainfall patterns vary in response to the movement of a high pressure belt that circles the globe between 25° and 30° south latitude during the winter and low-pressure systems that occur during summer (SA-Venues, 2013)."