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Federal Republic of Nigeria

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The Growing Diversity of Middle Tennessee

- Includes approximately 10,000 Nigerians in Middle Tennessee living mostly in Nashville, Antioch, La Vergne, Smyrna, Murfreesboro, Madison, Hermitage, Mt Juliet, Hendersonville, Brentwood and Franklin.

- Mostly first Generation immigrants with a wave of immigration in the 1970s and 80s.

- Teeming populations of New American-born Nigerians.

- Highest educational attainment among ethnic groups in the US.

- Very active in the academia, health professions, allied health professions, Home health Industry and now the media (TNATNEWS).

- The social structure includes numerous community associations that meet on regular basis.
Federal Republic of Nigeria: Location on the World Map

8° N of Equator and 10° E of Greenwich Meridian
Federal Republic of Nigeria: Administrative Structure

36 states plus the Federal Capital Territory

COAT OF ARMS Representing Soil Fertility, Dignity and Strength

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Unity and Faith, Peace and Progress
Federal Republic of Nigeria: The Country and its People

- **Land area:** 351,649 sq mi (910,771 sq km); **total area:** 356,667 sq mi (923,768 sq km) larger than Britain and France combined

- **Population (2013 est.):** 174,507,539 Over 1/5 of the people in Africa

- **Capital Territory:** Abuja

- **Largest cities:** Lagos (2003 est.), 11,135,000 (metro. area), 5,686,000 (city proper); Kano, 3,329,900; Ibadan, 3,139,500; Kaduna, 1,510,300

- **Monetary unit:** Naira

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Abuja
Federal Republic of Nigeria: Administrative Structure

- 36 States – Akin to the 50 US States - and the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja – Akin to Washington, DC
- States aggregated in 6 administrative zones: Northwest, North Central, Northeast, Southwest, Southeast and South-South
- Each state is further divided into Local Government Areas (LGAs) – the equivalent of US Counties
- There are 774 LGAs in Nigeria.
Federal Republic of Nigeria: Government

- Africa’s largest democracy modeled after the presidential system in the US
- Comprises the powerful central federal government, the States’ governments and the Local Governments
- National Assemblies (The Senate and the House of Representatives)
- States Assemblies
- The Judiciary

Goodluck Ebele Azikiwe Jonathan
President of Nigeria
Nigeria’s Neighbors

- Nigeria is bordered by Benin Republic in the west.
- Cameroon in the East.
- Chad Republic in the Northeast, and
- Niger Republic in the North.
- Shares maritime borders with Equatorial Guinea, Ghana, and São Tomé and Príncipe.
Demographic Facts

- **Climate**: Nigeria is located in the Tropics, has two seasons dry and rainy season
- **Geography**: High Savanna covers the plateau in the North. Oil-rich delta in the Southern part, and rain forest belt region toward the West.
- **Languages**: English is the official language. Major languages: Hausa, Igbo, Yoruba
- **Religion**: Christian-Muslim split nearly 50-50
- **Population ethnicity**: more than 500 ethnic groups

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Quick Facts

- Niger is the largest river in West Africa and gives Nigeria its name following the amalgamation of the Northern and Southern Protectorates by the British in 1914.

- The Nok is the earliest known civilization (around 1000 BC and 300 AD) known for terracotta and iron smelting for tools.
Economic Structure

- Nigeria came to independence with an economy typical of Africa
- production and export of agricultural commodities: palm oil and cocoa
- the country as a whole depended on commodity markets in the industrial countries for its foreign exchange
- population growth and urbanization
Africa’s Second Largest Economy

Second only to South Africa’s over 400 GDP
Nigeria’s Economic Blueprint: The Vision 20:20

Making the Nigerian economy one of the top 20 by the year 2020 with a GDP of USD900bn

Attracting US$130billion private capital over the next 10 years

Optimising key sources of economic growth by enhancing production for real sector’s competitiveness and for exports

Guaranteeing productivity by strengthening linkages between key sectors of the economy

Fostering sustainable social and economic development by ensuring national security and enhancing infrastructure.
Nigeria’s Economic Performance Indicators

The External Reserve as at June 2013 stood at US$48.76 billion.

The IMF projects a 7% growth in Nigeria’s growth for 2013 in its country report.

External Debt Profile with ample fiscal space
- US$5.91 billion – 2013

Industrial Capacity Utilisation – Over 50% (1st Half 2013)

Sources: CBN, DMO, NBS
Nigeria has maintained an average growth of about 7% in the last three years.

While World GDP continues to shrink, Nigeria is expected to sustain its growth at about 7%.
World’s Fastest Growing Economies - 1

The 10 fastest growing economies (Q4 2011)

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Source: National Bureau for Statistics (NBS)
Nigeria’s economy is rated as the world’s topmost ‘global growth generator’ (3G) of the next 40 years ........ CIRA

- Egypt: 6.4%
- Sri Lanka: 6.6%
- Indonesia: 7.3%
- Mongolia: 6.9%
- Philippines: 7.5%
- Vietnam: 7.5%
- Bangladesh: 7.5%
- Iraq: 7.7%
- India: 8.0%
- Nigeria: 8.5%

*Av. Real GDP Growth 2010 - 2015 (%)*
Investment Opportunities

Investment Opportunities exist in all sectors of the economy, especially:

- **Infrastructure**
  - Power – Generation, Transmission & Distribution
  - Transportation – Rail, Air, Road
- **Agriculture & Agro Allied**
- **Services**
  - Telecommunication, Postal Services
  - Health Care Services
  - Banking & Financial services
  - Tourism/Hospitality
  - Education
  - Waste Management & Treatment
- **Mineral Mining**
- **Manufacturing**
  - Pharmaceuticals, Textiles & Garments, Automobiles, Iron & Steel
- **Oil & Gas (up-and down-stream operations)**
Petroleum

- first shipload of crude oil exported in 1958
- oil exports stopped by civil war (1966-70)
- oil revenues peaked in 1979
- oil sector provides 1/5 of GDP, 95% of foreign exchange earnings, and 65% of budgetary revenues
- the 10th largest oil producer in the world, at 2.5 million barrels a day (Official OPEC Quota)
- 5th Largest supplier of crude oil to the US
Exchange rates

Naira (NGN) per US dollar -
156.81 (2012)
154.74 (2011)
150.3 (2010)
148.9 (2009)
117.8 (2008)
Economic Update

- 2013 World Bank Forecasts
  - Rising Economic Growth,
  - Less Inflation,
  - Urges Closer Federal and State Government Cooperation
Famous Nigerians

Emeka Anyaoku Erstwhile Commonwealth Sec-Gen

Chinua Achebe Novelist, Poet Critic

Wole Soyinka 1986 Nobel Laureate in Literature

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie Prominent Writer

Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala Top Executive of WB, Two term Nigerian Finance Minister

Chiwetel Ejiofor - Actor
Culture and Festivals

- Nigeria boasts of a plethora of customs and traditions, cultures and festivals, that would appeal to the tastes of the average tourist.
  - The Argungu Fishing Festival in Kebbi State
  - Manwu festival and Ekpe festivals in the east
  - Eyo masquerade in the west
NIGERIAN CULINARY

- The most popular food eaten by Nigerians are fruits, vegetables, meat, and seafood.
- The difference between what Nigerians eat and what Americans/Caribbean eat is how they prepare the food.
- Families still eat most of their meals at home.
- When Nigerians prepare food for their families, they also prepare enough for anyone who may stop by.
- In your internet travel to Nigeria you will experience traditional Nigerian food.
Traditions and Attire

Nigerian citizens wear traditional Nigeria clothing. Some of the material they use are: lace, jacquard, adire and ankara. They also tie and die. Clothing is also an important part of ceremonies. Nigerians take pride in their traditional dances and attire.
Traditions and Attire

- Nigerian traditional dances are absolutely scintillating, vivacious and captivating.

- Examples include
  - Atilogwu
  - Nkwa umu agbogho
Soccer Culture

- Soccer is to Nigeria as football is to the US

- **Nigeria national football team**, nicknamed *Super Eagles* current Africa Cup of Nations champions. Have won the Africa Cup of Nations a total of 3 times. Reached the FIFA World Cup round of 16 twice. Qualified for five of the last six World Cups. Highest FIFA ranking was 5th in 1994.

- Nigeria's youth teams won the inaugural FIFA U-17 World Cup in 1985 as well as in 1993 and in 2007.

- The 1996 under-23 team won the gold medal in the 1996 Summer Olympics held in Atlanta. After defeating Brazil by 4 - 3, they won the final against Argentina 3 – 2

- The women's national team (the Super Falcons) has been a dominant force on the African continent since its inception. They have qualified for every FIFA Women's World Cup and won the first seven CAF Women's Championships before having their run end in 2008 against Equatorial Guinea.
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