

Oman Fact Sheet

Did you know that...?

- ◆ Oman has long prospered on Indian Ocean Trade and the success of Omani traders is seen globally with their strong roots in India and Zanzibar.
- ◆ Oman's moderate, independent foreign policy has gained it many friends globally and at home in the GCC.
- ◆ Oman shares borders with Yemen, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.
- ◆ Oman is 238 miles from Dubai and 274 miles from Abu Dhabi.
- ◆ Oman has 2,092km of coast line.
- ◆ In 2006, there were 1.818 million cell phone subscribers in Oman with a population of approximately 3 million and growing.
- ◆ Oman is a member of the UN, the WTO, the [Arab League](#), [the Organization of the Islamic Conference](#) and the [Gulf Co-operation Council](#) & has a Free Trade Agreement with the USA.
- ◆ The Musandam peninsula is an exclave of Oman, separated from the rest of the country by the UAE.
- ◆ Blue City is the largest single development in Oman, estimated at \$15 billion.



Other Information

- ◆ Tourism provides vast opportunities within Oman. The country's unique landscape combined with its rich history as well as its fast-paced development makes Oman a one of a kind location for visitors and investors alike.
- ◆ Oman is moving ahead with projects for Seeb and Salalah airports as well as plans to improve air-traffic by developing three other airports: one in Sohar in the north, one in Duqm in the south, and one in Ras Al Hadd. These projects are aimed at increasing tourism and will increase annual passenger capacity from its current level of around 3 million to 12 million upon completion.
- ◆ The Wave, a tourism and residential beachfront development, has already reached sales of \$100 million for its first residential release, much of which has been completed already. This is just one of over a dozen major real estate projects being developed in Oman.
- ◆ Oman has a strong dedication to ecotourism. One area that Oman is very well known for is marine tourism. With over 20 species of dolphins and whales as well as extensive breeding grounds for sea turtles in Ras Al Hadd, thousands of tourist flock to Oman each year to witness the incredible marine life in the area.

Web Resources

- ◆ Oman Tourism: www.omantourism.gov.om
- ◆ CIA World Factbook – Oman <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/mu.html>
- ◆ GulfConstructionOnline.com – Oman Review <http://www.gulfconstructionworldwide.com/bkArticlesF.asp?Article=8327&Section=1594&IssueID=269>
- ◆ Environment Society of Oman http://www.environment.org.om/project_marine.php
- ◆ Blue City <http://www.almadinaazarga.com/>

