

Indonesia



The Flag

The Indonesian flag was adopted on August 17, 1945, after Indonesia gained independence from the Netherlands. In Bahasa Indonesia, this flag is called "Sang Saka Merah Putih".

The red and white of the Indonesian flag represents courage and purity respectively. An additional symbolic meaning for the colours is that red represents physical life and white symbolises spiritual life.



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Greetings

English	Bahasa Indonesia
Hello	Halo
Good morning	Selamat pagi
Good bye	Sampai jumpa
How are you?	Apa kabar?
I'm fine and you?	Kabar baik, dan Anda?
Thank you	Terima kasih
You're welcome	Sama-sama
Excuse me	Permisi

Numbers

English	Bahasa Indonesia	English	Bahasa Indonesia
1	satu	6	enam
2	dua	7	tujuh
3	tiga	8	delapan
4	empat	9	sembilan
5	lima	10	sepuluh

Population

Indonesia is the **fourth** most populated country in the world with more than **260 million people**.

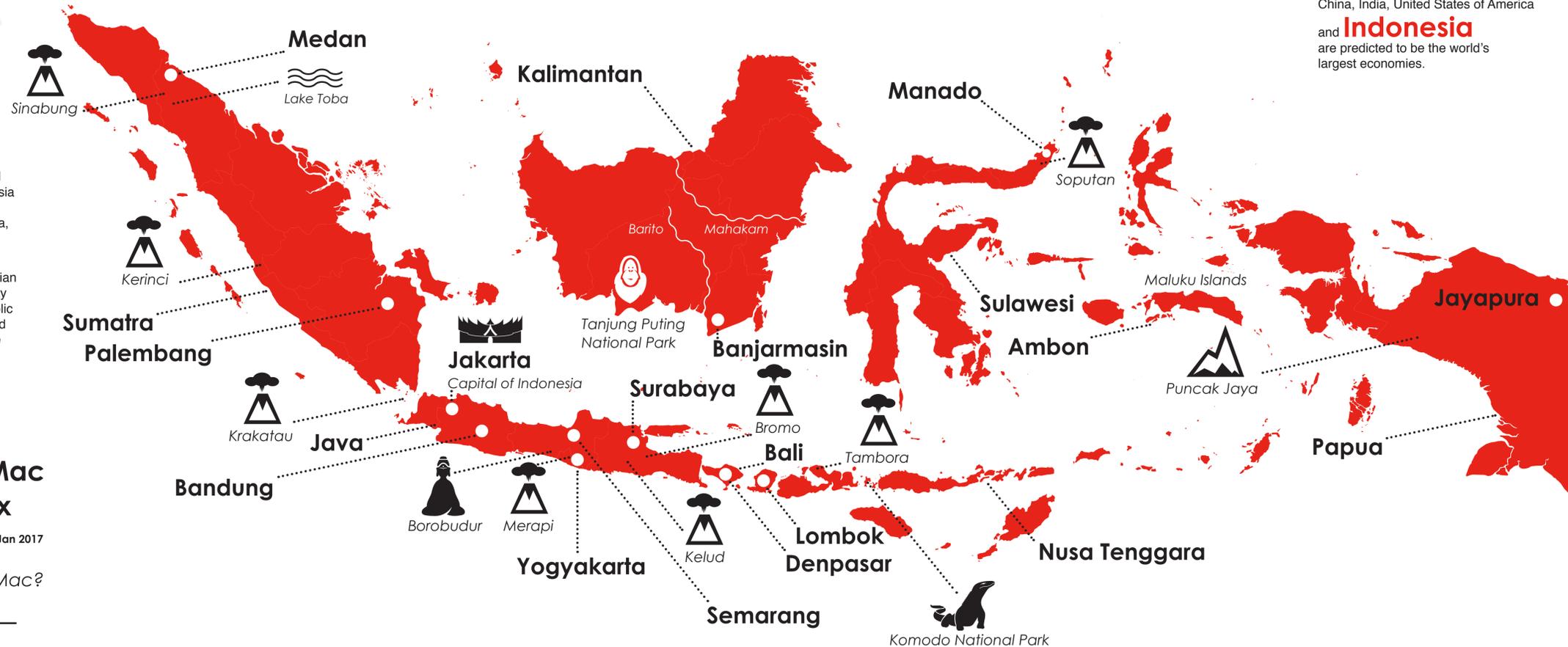


Geography

Indonesia is an archipelago made up of approximately 17,000 islands. With 127 active volcanoes, Indonesia has more active volcanoes than any other country. The archipelago is prone to volcanic eruptions and earthquakes because of its location on the Pacific Ring of Fire. Among the most active of Indonesia's volcanoes are Kelud and Merapi on the island of Java.



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Economy

Indonesia has one of the largest economies in Southeast Asia and is one of the emerging market economies of the world.

By **2030**, Indonesia will have the world's 7th-largest economy.

By **2050**, China, India, United States of America and **Indonesia** are predicted to be the world's largest economies.



Cuisine

Gado gado (*Indonesian salad with peanut sauce*)
Nasi padang (*steamed rice*)
Nasi goreng (*fried rice*)
Sambal (*hot sauce or chilli paste*)
Nasi kuning (*rice cooked with coconut and turmeric*)
Sate (*satay*)

Language

The national language of Indonesia is Bahasa Indonesia. There are approximately 220 million speakers of Bahasa in Indonesia, but Bahasa is a second language for 90 percent of the population, with most people speaking their indigenous language as well as Bahasa.

Bahasa is a phonetic language, meaning most words are pronounced just as they are written. Bahasa Indonesia is written in the Roman alphabet and is not tonal like some other Asian languages.



Religion

The Indonesian government recognises six official religions which are Islam, Protestantism, Catholicism, Hinduism, Buddhism and Confucianism. Of these, Islam is the most popular religion in Indonesia.

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