
Qatar

**Total area:**

11,571 km²

Population:

2,675,522 (2016)

Literacy:

79%

Official languages:

Arabic

GDP (PPP) per capita:

\$145,894 (2017 est.)

Life expectancy:

78 years

Religions:

76% Muslim, 9% Christian, 9% Hindu, 5% Buddhist, 1% other religions

Prayer points

Leaving Islam considered apostasy

Nearly all citizens in this extremely wealthy country are Muslims; the Christian population is largely immigrant workers. The constitution explicitly provides for freedom of worship, and Roman Catholic and Anglican Churches are officially recognised. However, evangelism is prohibited and public worship is only allowed in controlled compounds. Leaving Islam is considered apostasy and converts from Islam face severe persecution. Pray for the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and that the very few Qatari believers would gain access to Christian fellowship. Pray too that Qataris who come to faith abroad would take the gospel back to Qatar. (Open Doors UK and Ireland - January 2011)

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