International borders in West and Central Africa

This visualisation portrays information on the length of borders, population density and landscape in West and Central Africa. It provides a new way to look at borders and helps to situate them within their diverse contexts.

**OVERVIEW**

**23 Countries**  
87,000 km of borders

**Land Borders**  
79,300 km

**Coastline**  
7,700 km

**LEGEND**

- Country name and ISO code
- Length of the border
- Population density
- Neighbouring countries’ ISO codes
- Landscape in the border area

**LANDSCAPE**

- Desert
- Savannah
- Tropical forest
- Mountains and hills
- Lake
- Steppe and grassland
- Border Capital

**DISCLAIMERS**

Borderlines and names shown in this visualisation might not be official or have been approved by the EU, ICMPD or FIIAPP. Indications of border lengths are rounded. Data on population density and geographical characteristics have been simplified for visualisation purposes. The position of countries does not always correspond to their geographic location on a map.

**SOURCES**

- Geographic characteristics: Google Earth Satellite images; Google Maps terrain information; University of Berkeley; Earth Sciences and Map Library; Natural Vegetation in Africa Map: http://cluster3.lib.berkeley.edu/EART/maps/africa-veg.gif

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**Footnote**

1 Countries or territories not part of the Rabat Process: Angola (AGO), Burundi (BDI), Rwanda (RWA), South Sudan (SSD), Sudan (SDN), Tanzania (TZA), Uganda (UGA) and Zambia (ZMB)

**Footnote**

1 Countries shown in order of ascending border length

**WEST AFRICA (50,200 km)**

**CENTRAL AFRICA (36,800 km)**

23 Countries

Borders at a glance