

Kebbi State

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Coordinates: 11°30′N 4°00′E﻿ / ﻿11.5°N 4.0°E﻿ / 11.5; 4.0

Kebbi State is a state in north-western Nigeria with its capital at Birnin Kebbi. The state was formed from part of Sokoto State in 1991. Kebbi State is bordered by Sokoto State, Niger State, Dosso Region in the Republic of Niger and the nation of Benin. It has a total area of 36,800 km².

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Subdivisions

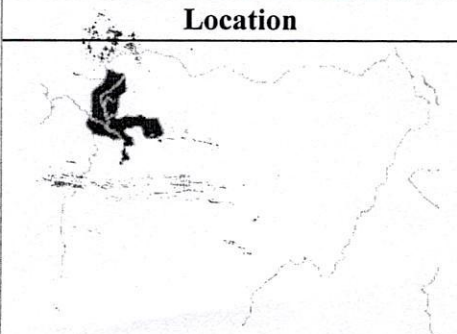
Kebbi state was created out of the former Sokoto State on 17 August 1991. The State has a total population of 3,137,989 people as projected from the 1991 census, within 21 Local Government areas.

The state has Sudan and sahel-savannah. The southern part is generally rocky with the Niger River traversing the state from Benin to Ngaski LGA. The northern part of the state is sandy with the Rima River passing through Argungu to Bagudo LGA where it empties into the Niger. Agriculture is the main occupation of the people especially in rural areas, Crops produced are mainly grains; animal rearing and fishing are also common. Islam is the dominant religion of the people. There are 225 political wards, 3000 settlements and 1036 hard to reach settlements in the 21 Local Government Areas in the State.

Kebbi State is divided into 21 Local Government Areas (LGAs), four emirate councils (Gwandu, Argungu, Yauri and Zuru), and 35 districts. The Local Government Areas are as follows:

- Aleiro
- Arewa
- Dandi
- Argungu
- Augie
- Bagudo
- Birnin Kebbi
- Bunza
- Dandi
- Fakai
- Gwandu
- Jega
- Kalgo
- Koko/Besse
- Maiyama
- Ngaski
- Sakaba
- Shanga
- Suru
- Wasagu/Danko
- Yauri
- Zuru

Demographics

| Kebbi State State nickname: Land of Equity | |
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| Location | |
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| Statistics | |
| Governor (List) | Usman Saidu Nasamu Dakingari (PDP) |
| Date Created | 27 August 1991 |
| Capital | Birnin Kebbi |
| Area | 36,800 km ² Ranked 10th |
| Population 1991 Census 2005 estimate | Ranked 22nd 2,062,226 3,630,931 |
| GDP (PPP) -Total -Per Capita | 2007 (estimate) \$3.29 billion ^[1] \$993 ^[1] |
| ISO 3166-2 | NG-KE |

Kebbi State is mainly populated by Hausa people, with some members of Bussawa, Dukawa, Kambari and Kamuku ethnic communities.

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See also

- States of Nigeria
- Argungu Fishing Festival

External links

- KebbiState.com
- Ethnic distribution in Nigeria

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