

ALL ABOUT ANGOLA

Located on the west coast of **Southern Africa**, Angola has one of the fastest **growing economies** due to booming oil and diamond industries. But Angola is still recovering from decades of **civil war**, and it is one of the **poorest countries** in the world.

CAPITAL **Luanda**

POPULATION **25 million**

SIZE **481,400 square miles; twice as big as Texas**

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE **Portuguese, Bantu**

RELIGION **Roman Catholic (41.1%), Protestant (38.1%), other (8.6%); none (12.3 %)**

LITERACY **71%**

TRADE **2nd largest oil and diamond producer in sub-Saharan Africa**

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS IN ANGOLA

There are more than

414,000

Seventh-day Adventists
(1 million attend each Sabbath)

Maranatha has constructed

324

churches

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132

classrooms

CONFLICT IN ANGOLA

1960

1961 An anti-colonial guerrilla movement against Portugal results in war.

1975

1975 Angola wins independence from Portugal.

1975 Conflict and civil war breaks out between three nationalist movements.

1990

1992 Guerilla war begins again; next decade continues to be turbulent.

1991 Peace deal signed but not before more than 350,000 Angolans die in battle.

2005

2002 Civil war comes to an end after 27 years of conflict; more than 500,000 lives lost.