SOUTH AFRICA

WORLD CUP FACTS

Team Nickname
Banyana Banyana

Team Uniform Colors
yellow, black

Coach
Desiree ELLIS

World Cup Appearances
debut

World Cup Record through 2015
N/A

Best Result
N/A

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
President Matamela Cyril RAMAPHOSA

Head of Government
President Matamela Cyril RAMAPHOSA

Government Type
parliamentary republic

Capital
Pretoria (administrative capital)

National Symbol
springbok (antelope), king protea flower

Area
- total: 1,219,090 sq km
- land: 1,214,470 sq km
- water: 4,620 sq km

Climate
mostly semiarid; subtropical along east coast, sunny days, cool nights

Natural Resources
gold, chromium, antimony, coal, iron ore, manganese, nickel, phosphates, tin, rare earth elements, uranium, gem diamonds, platinum, copper, vanadium, salt, natural gas

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
55.4 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth Rate
0.97% (2018 est.)

Language
isiZulu, isiXhosa, Afrikaans, Sepedi, Setswana, English, Sesotho, Xitsonga, siSwati, Tshivenda, isiNdebele (all official languages)

Urbanization
urban population: 66.4% of total population (2018)

ECONOMY

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$767.2 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$13,600 (2017 est.)

Exports
$94.93 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 9.5%, US 7.7%, Germany 7.1%, Japan 4.7%, India 4.6%, Botswana 4.3%, Namibia 4.1% (2017)

Imports
$89.36 billion (2017 est.)
partners: China 18.3%, Germany 11.9%, US 6.6%, Saudi Arabia 4.7%, India 4.7% (2017)