VITAL STATISTICS

Currency: Emalangeni (E) for plural, Lilangeni singular, on par with the South African rand

Major towns: 1.Capital city &gt; Mbabane

Largest city &gt; Manzini

Population (2017): 1 093 236

Geographical size & Location: 17 360 sq km,

Official Languages: SiSwati & English

System of Government: Tinkhundla

GDP growth rate: 1.9%

GDP per capita: US $ 3639

Inflation rate (2011 estimates): 4.8%

Human Development Index: 0.498

Literacy rate: 89.1 %

Life expectancy: Males – 58;85 years Females – 63;52 years

Major Religion(s): Majority Christian, plus indigenous beliefs and small representations of other major world faiths

Climate: Swaziland’s predominant summer rainfall season between October and March is characterized by occasional heavy downpours. The eastern side has a tropical sub humid with approx 60cm mean average rainfall. Midsummer (January) temperatures are known to reach 42 Degrees Celsius.

Average Temperatures:

Midsummer: Mbabane (25 degrees c) Manzini (30 degrees c)

Autumn: Mbabane (20 degrees c) Manzini (25 degrees c)

Midwinter: Mbabane (15 degrees c) Manzini (20 degrees c)

Spring: Mbabane (22 degrees c) Manzini (25 degrees c)