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ABOUT CAMBODIA



About Cambodia

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At a Glance

Provinces 24	Capital Phnom Penh	Seasons 2 Rainy <small>May - Oct</small> Dry <small>Nov - Apr</small>	Currency Khmer Riel (KHR)	Religion 97% Buddhism	Language Khmer ភាសាខ្មែរ
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Demography

Population (2024)

17.3
Million

Population by Gender

8.49 Million (49.1%)
8.79 Million (50.9%)

Fertility Rate

1.5%

Life Expectancy

74.7
78.4

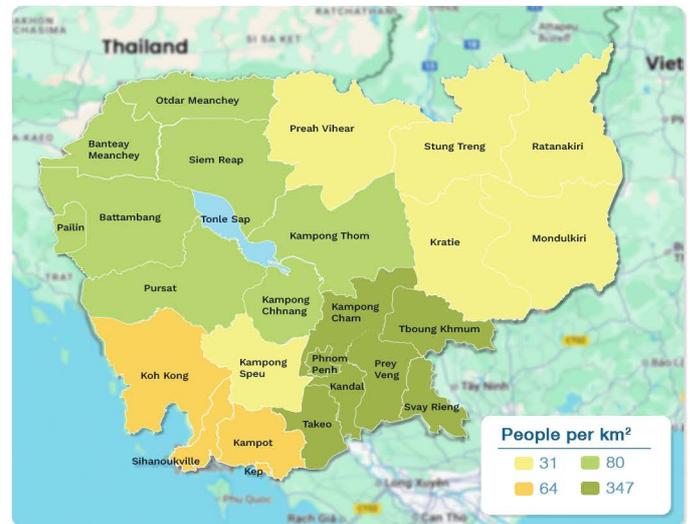
Median Age

28

Share of Labor Force

63.1%

Population Density



Macroeconomic Indicators

GDP per Capita

2024 (est.) ▲

\$2,675
6.0% growth

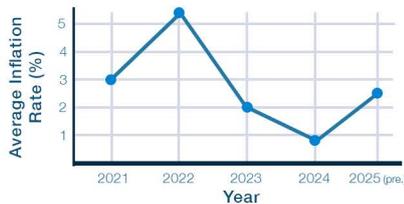
2025 (est.) ▲

\$2,858
5.2% growth

2026 (pre.) ▲

\$3,020
5.0% growth

Stable Inflation Rate



International Reserves (2025 est.)

≈ **\$25 Billion**
≈ 7 months worth of future imports

Public Debt Stock (2025 est.)

26%
of GDP



January 2026



1 January 2026
New Year

Nationwide



18 January 2026
3rd Angkor Writing Event

A Khmer dictation competition promoting Khmer literature.

Angkor Wat, Siem Reap

**Require registration.*



24 January 2026
9th Angkor Ultra Trail 2026

International trail-running event around Angkor Archaeological park.

Angkor Wat, Siem Reap

**Require registration.*



29 January 2026
3rd Cambodia-UK Joint Trade & Investment Forum

Primary Cambodia-UK forum for trade and investment dialogue.

Peng Huot Grand Hall, Phnom Penh

**Require registration.*

February 2026



2 February 2026
Meak Bochea

Sacred Buddhist observance of the Fourfold Assembly.

Nationwide



8 February 2026
Traditional Fish-Catching Festival

Centuries-old communal festival celebrating living heritage.

Bangkong Lake, Siem Reap



14-15 February 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products

A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.

Phnom Penh



26 February - 1 March 2026
The 19th Cambodian Products Fruits & Vegetable Exhibition

Platform for local businesses to promote products and build partnerships.

Siem Reap Riverside, Siem Reap

March 2026



8 March 2026
Women Run 10K

Celebrate the legacy of women in Cambodia through running.

Botum Vatey Pagoda, Phnom Penh

**Require registration.*



20-23 March 2026
Angkor Equinox Event

An equinox phenomenon aligning with Angkor Wat's central tower

Angkor Wat, Siem Reap



22 March 2026
11th Sihanouville International Half Marathon

An environmental charity event supporting hospitalized children.

Sihanouville

**Require registration.*



March 2026
River Festival

An annual festival rotating across provinces to highlight their distinct identity.

Pursat

April 2026



4-5 April 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products

A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.

Phnom Penh



14-16 April 2026
Khmer New Year

Cambodia's biggest holiday welcoming the incoming New Year.

Nationwide

Event Color Code: ○ Tourism and/or Cultural Event/Festival ○ Agriculture-Related Event ○ Trade-Related Event



May 2026



1 May 2026
Visak Bochea
A holy day to commemorate the birth and Nirvana of the Buddha.
Nationwide



May 2026
2nd Cambodia Cashew and Pepper Trade Forum (2026)
Trade forum driving innovation in the cashew and pepper industry.
Phnom Penh

June 2026



13-14 June 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products
A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.
Phnom Penh



14 June 2026
14th Phnom Penh International Half Marathon
Commemorative event marking Queen's Birthday and Environment Day.
Botum Vatey Pagoda, Phnom Penh
**Require registration.*



June 2026
International Yoga Day
Yoga celebration, advancing wellness tourism and cultural exchange.
Phnom Penh and Siem Reap

July 2026

August 2026



2 August 2026
11th Angkor Empire Marathon
International marathon through Angkor's ancient temple complex.
Angkor Wat, Siem Reap
**Require registration.*



22-23 August 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products
A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.
Phnom Penh

September 2026



19-20 September 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products
A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.
Phnom Penh



20-23 September 2026
Angkor Equinox Event
An equinox phenomenon aligning with Angkor Wat's central tower.
Angkor Wat, Siem Reap



27 September - 11 October 2026
Pchum Ben Festival
Annual Buddhist festival honoring ancestors through offerings and prayers.
Nationwide

October 2026



1-3 October 2026
3rd Cambodia Digital Trade and Online Expo
Digital trade forum showcasing innovative Cambodian businesses.
Phnom Penh



24 October 2026
International Freshwater Dolphin Day
Community-led conservation event to promote the protection of Mekong's Irrawaddy dolphins.
Kratie

November 2026

Event Color Code: ● Tourism and/or Cultural Event/Festival ● Agriculture-Related Event ● Trade-Related Event

About Cambodia

- 📅 Calendar of Events 2026
- 📌 Key Points to Consider Before Visiting



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November 2026



13-17 November 2026
Village Francophone
Francophonie festival showcasing culture, arts, and gastronomy.
Phnom Penh



20-21 November 2026
Campaign to Support and Use National Products
A government-led campaign to promote locally-made products & services.
Phnom Penh



23-25 November 2026
Water Festival
This celebration features national boat races by day and cultural events by night.
Phnom Penh

December 2026



4-6 December 2026
Angkor Product Fair 2026
Annual Cambodian trade fair promoting the “Buy Cambodian” movement.
Victoria Garden Hotel, Siem Reap



17-20 December 2026
19th Cambodia Trade Expo
Flagship Cambodian trade expo promoting trade and investment.
Koh Pich, Phnom Penh



December 2026
Angkor Remembrance
Annual commemoration of Angkor’s UNESCO World Heritage inscription.
Angkor Wat, Siem Reap



December 2026
Sea Festival
An annual event featuring concerts, sports, exhibitions, food, and fireworks.
TBC

Event Color Code:

- 🟦 Tourism and/or Cultural Event/Festival
- 🟩 Agriculture-Related Event
- 🟪 Trade-Related Event

Before Visiting

Weather

Seasons
2
🌧️ **Rainy**
May - Oct
☀️ **Dry**
Nov - Apr

Accepted Currency

🇰🇭 **Khmer Riel**
(KHR)
🇺🇸 **US Dollar**
(USD)
(1 USD = 4,000 KHR)



Items to Keep Handy



2-Pin Adapter



Umbrella



Sunscreen



Sneakers



Water Bottle



Light Clothes

Useful Mobile Apps



Google
Translation App



Bakong
Payment App



E-Gets
Food Delivery



Grab
Ride & Dine App



WowNow
Ride & Dine App

Key Phrases in Khmer

Hello
Chumreab Sour
ជម្រាបសួរ

Thank you
Som Orkun
សូមអរគុណ

I want to go to....
Kh'nom Jong Tov...
ខ្ញុំចង់ទៅ...

How are you?
Sok Sabay?
សុខសប្បាយ?

How much does this cost?
Domlai Ponman?
តម្លៃប៉ុន្មាន?

Farewell
Chumreab Lea
ជម្រាបលា

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TRADE



- Top Export Destinations
- Top Import Sources
- Trade Composition



Top Export Destinations (2025)

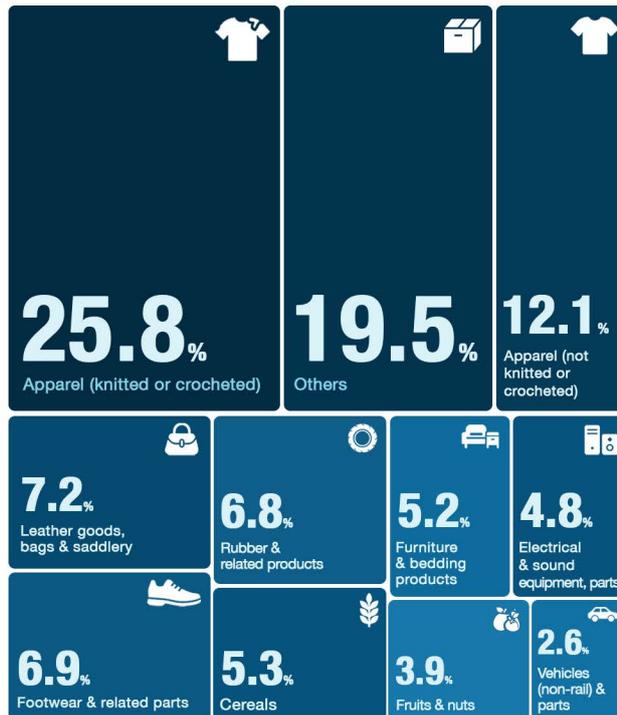


Top Import Sources (2025)

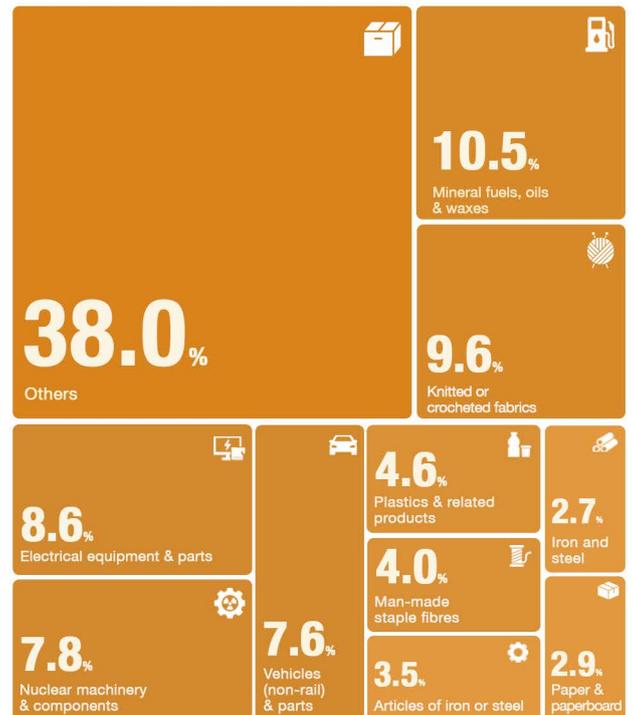


Trade Composition (2025)

Export Composition



Import Composition





The Royal Government of Cambodia prioritizes the following key export products to enhance quality and international competitiveness:

Top Industrial Products for Export

Textile & FTG

- Trained workforce ready to produce:
- Knit garments
 - Woven Apparel
 - Footwear
 - Travel Goods

Furnitures

- Value-added wood processing capability:
- Wooden home furniture (tables, chairs)
 - Bedroom & living room sets
 - Office furniture
 - Prefabricated wooden structures

Plastic (Material)

- Many SEZs ready to assist in producing:
- Plastic sheets & films
 - Plastic pipes & fittings
 - Plastic resins (primary forms - PP, PE)
 - Injection-molded plastic components

Vehicle & Electronic Parts

- Policy-backed diversification for:
- Automotive tires
 - Wire harnesses (automotive & electronics)
 - Electronic circuit components & modules
 - Automotive sub-assembly parts

Food & Beverage

- Strong branding Potential for:
- Milled rice (premium fragrant varieties)
 - Processed fish products (dried, packed)
 - Packaged dried fruits
 - Alcoholic Beverages

Packaging Container

- High demand from investors include:
- Plastic bottles & containers
 - Corrugated cardboard boxes
 - Flexible packaging films
 - Food-grade packaging solutions

Chemicals & household consumer goods

- Regional Export Potential for:
- Detergent & cleaning products
 - Paints & coatings
 - Adhesive & sealants
 - Personal care & hygiene products

Top Agricultural Products for Export

Rice

Production: 13.9 million tonnes (2024)
Export in Value: 749 million USD (2025)

Cassava

Production: 15.6 million tonnes (2024)
Export in Volume: 4.5 million tonnes (2024)
Export in Value: 0.7 million USD (2024)

Pepper

Production: 21 thousand tonnes (2024)

Cashew Nuts

Production: 0.8 million tons (2024)
Export in Volume: 588 thousand tonnes (2024)

Mango

Production: 2.2 million tonnes (2024)
Export in Volume: 282 thousand tonnes (2024)

Rubber

Production: 0.4 million tonnes (2024)
Export:
• Latex: 603.6 million USD (2025)
• Rubber tree: 25 thousand m³ worth 5.4 million USD (2024)



Geographical Indication (GI) Products

Palm Sugar



Registered 2010

Unique Qualities

- Distinct caramel flavor
- Traditional production method
- Sugar palm tree sap

Uses

- Khmer desserts
- Sweetener

Prahok



Registered 2025

Unique Qualities

- Fermented freshwater fish
- Traditional clay jars
- Aged for months

Uses

- Flavor base
- Fermented paste

Pomelo



Registered 2021

Unique Qualities

- Grown on Mekong island
- Juicy, and sweet texture
- Rich, and sandy soil

Uses

- Fresh fruit
- Salad & desserts

Wild Honey



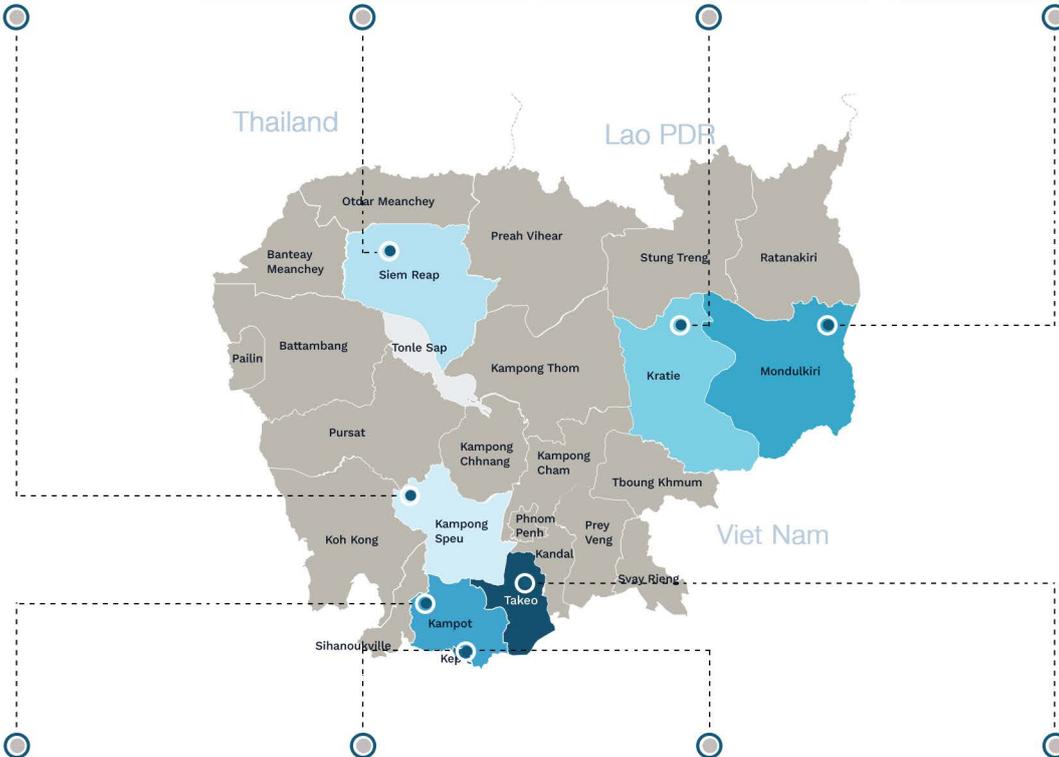
Registered 2021

Unique Qualities

- Forest-harvested
- Indigenous collection method
- Seasonal variation

Uses

- Sweetener
- Herbal remedy



Pepper



Registered 2010

Unique Qualities

- Quartz-rich soil
- Complex aroma
- Hand-harvested

Uses

- Gourmet spice
- Signature crab dish

Salt & Salt Flower



Registered 2023

Unique Qualities

- 80+ natural minerals
- Sun-dried crystals
- Traditional salt pans

Uses

- Seasoning
- Fish sauce ingredient

Fish Sauce



Registered 2023

Unique Qualities

- Aged up to 2 years
- Anchovies, and sea salt
- Wooden barrel fermentation

Uses

- Daily condiment
- Dipping sauce

Lobster



Registered 2023

Unique Qualities

- Freshwater species
- Tender Meat
- Traditional aquaculture

Uses

- Grilled or steamed
- Local seafood dishes





INVESTMENT





Investment Guarantees and Protection

No Discrimination	No Nationalization	No Expropriation	No Price Controls on Products or Services	Free Transfers	Protection of Intellectual Property	Provision of Aftercare Services

Investment Incentives Scheme

Basic Incentives

Option 1

- Income Tax Exemption for 3-9 Years from the commencement of revenue generation
- 6-Year Progressive Tax Period on Income Tax starts after the completion of tax exemption period



Option 2

- Special Depreciation
- Deduction of up to 200% of specific expenses

Shared Benefits for Both Options

- Minimum Tax Exemption (provided that independent audit report is carried out)
- Export Tax Exemption (unless otherwise provided in other laws and regulations)
- Special Exemptions on customs duty, special tax, and value-added tax for the import of:



Construction Materials



Construction Equipments



Production Equipments



Production Inputs
Exemption on inputs for Export QIP and Supporting Industry QIP

Additional Incentives

- Value-added Tax Exemption for the purchase of locally made production inputs.
- Deduction of 150% from tax base for:



R&D, and Innovation



Machinery Upgrades



Vocational Training



Welfare for Cambodian Workers



Construction of Facilities for Employees

- Income Tax Exemption for the Expansion of Qualified Investment Projects (QIP)

Special Incentives

- Any specific sector and investment activities* having high potential to contribute to national economic development may receive specific special incentives.

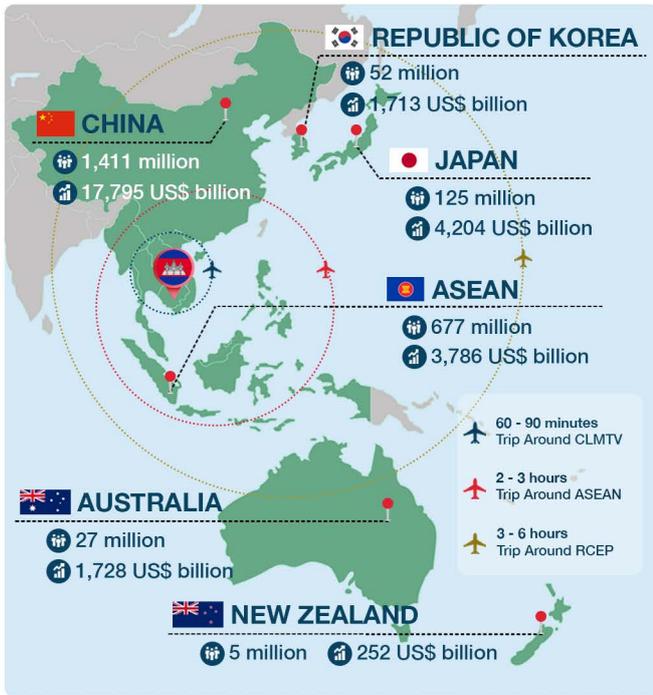


*As determined by the Law on Public Financial Management



Market Access

Strategic Location



*At the heart of Southeast Asia, Cambodia is a resilient trade hub with strategic supply chain access and low natural disaster risk.

Trade Agreements



Logistic Network and Special Economic Zones (SEZs) (up to January 2026)



SEZs (in Operation)

35

Total Investment Capital

\$13 Billion

Projects in SEZs

1,032

Total Employees

238,320

LEGENDS

Key Routes



Map



Key Logistic Spaces



Investment

- Investment Trends
- Top Sources of Investment into Cambodia
- Sectors for Investment Consideration



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Investment Trends (2025)

Investment Projects

630

Capital Investment

**\$10.00
Billion**

Investment by Sectors

3.8 billion
Infrastructure
& others

436 million
Agriculture &
Agro-Industrial

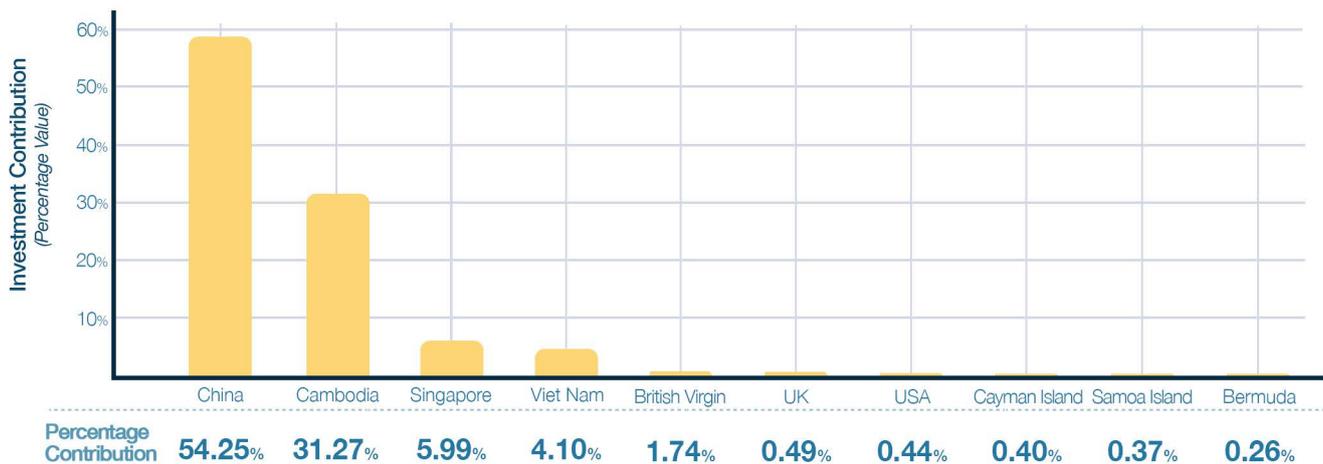
175 million
Tourism

5.6 billion
Industrial

Employment Opportunities Created

438,000

Top Sources of Investment into Cambodia (2025)



Sectors for Investment Consideration

The following investment sectors and activities are entitled to investment incentives:

Manufacturing & Industrial



Renewable Energy



SMEs in Priority Sectors



Agriculture & Agro-Processing



Special Economic Zones



Vocational Training



Physical Infrastructure



Services in Priority Sectors



Green Economy (inc. Carbon Credits)



Growth Sectors & Drivers



For further info on other sectors to consider, please visit Clause 24 and 28/Appendices 1 and 2 of Sub-Decree No. 139 (2023).



IV

AGRICULTURE





Agricultural Trends

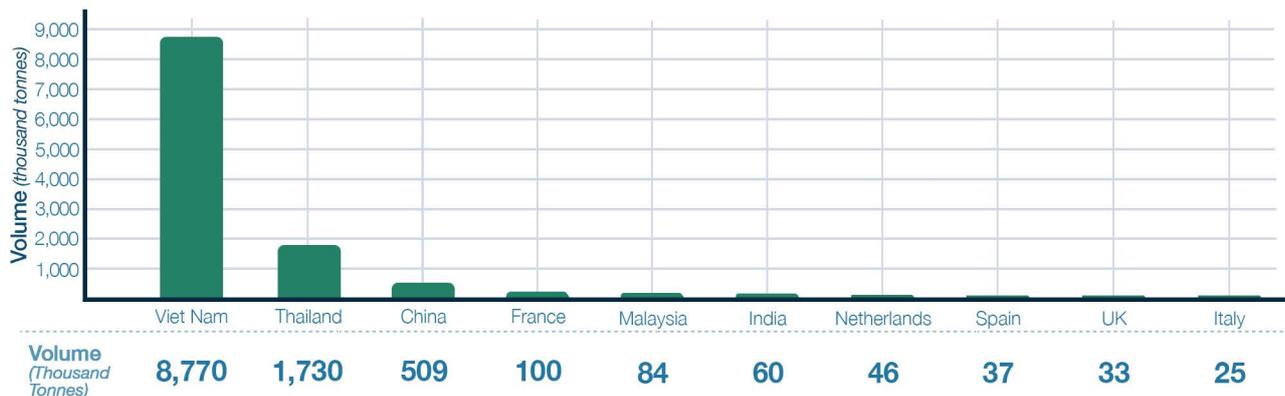
	2013	2023	2024
GDP Contribution	19,376.0 Billion KHR ≈ 4.73 billion USD	29,721.1 Billion KHR ≈ 7.25 billion USD	31,291.6 Billion KHR ≈ 7.63 billion USD
Share of GDP	26.0%	17.1%	16.7% % Change: -0.4%

Top Agricultural Exports

Paddy	Fresh Cassava (2024)	Sliced Cassava (2024)	Milled Rice	Cashew Nut (2024)
				
4.6M tonnes (2024) \$1.3 billion (2025)	3.4M tonnes \$499 million	964K tonnes \$231 million	646K tonnes (2024) \$749 million (2025)	588K tonnes \$909 million

Fresh Mango (2024)	Fresh Banana (2024)	Bran (2024)	Corn (2024)	Palm Oil (2024)
				
282K tonnes \$85 million	265K tonnes \$232 million	132K tonnes \$16 million	85K tonnes \$34 million	69K tonnes \$103 million

Top Agricultural Export Destinations (2024)





Most-Produced Agricultural Products (2024)

Cassava



15.5M tonnes
2023: 1.4M tonnes

Rice (Paddy)



13.8M tonnes
2023: 12.4M tonnes

Mango



2.0M tonnes
2023: -

Maize (Corn)



1.2M tonnes
2023: 1.1M tonnes

Vegetables



1.0M tonnes
2023: 829K tonnes

Banana



951K tonnes
2023: -

Cashew Nuts



656K tonnes
2023: -

Sugarcane



581K tonnes
2023: 582K tonnes

Dry Rubber



407K tonnes
2023: 391K tonnes

Soybean



18K tonnes
2023: 19K tonnes

Key Investment Opportunities



Agri-Fintech



Agri-Tech



Irrigation & Water Management



Sustainable & Safe Agri-Products



Agri-Inputs



Agricultural Machinery & Equipment



Market Access



Agro-Processing



Branding



Supply Chain & Cold Storage



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TOURISM





International Tourism Statistics

	2022	2023	2024	2025
International Tourists	1,415 Million USD % Change: +669.0%	3,080 Million USD % Change: +117.9%	3,647 Million USD % Change: +18.0%	≈3,700 Million USD % Change: ≈ +3.0%
Outbound Tourists	0.54 Million Tourists % Change: +3,068.7%	1.81 Million Tourists % Change: +235.2%	1.84 Million Tourists % Change: +1.4%	1.35 Million Tourists % Change: -26.4%

International Tourists Arrivals



Top Market Arrivals



Highlights



10.4% ▲ Double-digit growth from Western market



41.5% ▲ Largest absolute increase by 360,000 visitors



3.4% ▲ Stable European recovery



Attractions in Phnom Penh and Surrounding Areas



Oudong Mountain

Oudong Mountain used to be a royal residence and Cambodia's capital from 1618 to 1866. Today, Oudong has become a highly sacred place after the relic of Preah Serei Roek Theat (ashes of Buddha) was moved here from Phnom Penh.



Tonle Bati

On the way to Tonle Bati, you can find two Angkorian era temples including Ta Prohm and Yeay Peau which were built by King Jayavarman VII in the late 12th century in the same period that Angkor Thom and the Bayon temple were constructed.



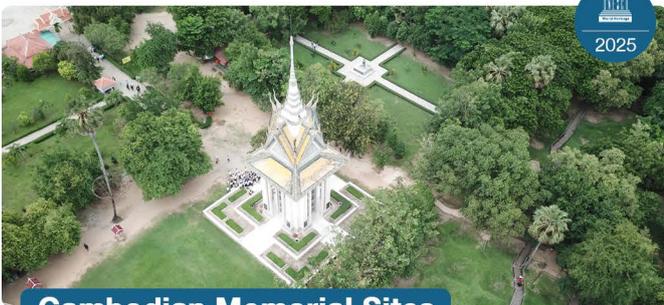
Wat Phnom

Wat Phnom was built in 1373 and stands 27 meters above the ground and is the central point of the capital. The site may give you a feeling that you're in a medieval place and the interior has a central altar complex with a large bronze seated Buddha surrounded by other statues and items of devotion and worship.



Independence Monument

This monument was built in 1958 to mark Cambodia's independence from France in 1953. The monument is the centre of national ceremonies where soldiers march before the stupa to commemorate service men and women who gave their lives for the country.



Cambodian Memorial Sites

Established between 1971 and 1979 under the Khmer Rouge regime, the Cambodian Memorial Sites comprise the former M-13 prison, Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, and Choeng Ek Genocidal Center. Preserved as places of memory, they document a system of repression and today serve as spaces for remembrance, reflection, and education.



Chaktomuk Walk Street

Launched in 2025, Chaktomuk Walk Street transforms part of Preah Sisowath Quay into a lively pedestrian riverside promenade every weekend. Closed to traffic in the evenings, it brings together street food, performances, and river views, and has become a symbol of Phnom Penh's urban renewal and social life.



Cultural Attractions



1992

Angkor Wat Temple, Siem Reap Province

Built in the 12th century by King Suryavarman II, Angkor Wat Temple is the most famous of all Angkorian temples. Originally dedicated to the Hindu god Vishnu, it was later converted to Buddhism and remains the only Angkorian temple in continuous religious use.



Banteay Srei Temple, Siem Reap Province

Banteay Srei, built in the 10th century, means 'Citadel of Women'. Made from red sandstone, many of its elements are in miniature form, making it unique among Angkorian temples. Its intricate carvings, still visible today, make it a popular site and have earned it praise as a 'precious gem' or 'jewel of Khmer art'.



2017

Sambor Prei Kuk Temple, Kampong Thom Province

This now ruined complex dates back to the Pre-Angkorian Chenla Kingdom from the late 6th century to the 9th century. It was established by King Isanavarman I in the early 7th century as a central royal sanctuary and capital where the site served as an important religious centre for the worship of Shiva as one of the two leading gods of Hinduism.



Ta Prohm Temple, Siem Reap Province

Ta Prohm, built in the late 12th century in the Bayon style, was originally a Mahayana Buddhist monastery and university. Unlike most Angkorian temples, it has been left largely as it was found. The striking mix of trees growing from the ruins and dense jungle surroundings makes it one of Angkor's most popular temples.



2023

Koh Ker, Preah Vihear Province

Koh Ker was the capital of the Khmer Empire under King Jayavarman IV in the early 10th century. Though now in ruins and more remote than other sites, it once featured grand Hindu temples, shrines, monuments, and advanced water systems. The complex reflects the brief yet ambitious reign of a powerful king.



2008

Preah Vihear Temple, Preah Vihear Province

This Khmer temple is situated spectacularly atop of a 525-metre cliff in the Dangrek Mountains located in the Preah Vihear province. It is a Hindu temple dedicated to Shiva and was built during the Khmer Empire.



Coastal Attractions



Koh Rong Island, Preah Sihanoukville Province

Koh Rong Island is one of the most gorgeous and loveliest islands in the Cambodia Bay which is located 25 km off the coast of Preah Sihanouk province. Its white sand beaches and turquoise water makes this place a dreamy tropical paradise.



Kampong Trach, Kampot Province

Located nearly 38 km east of Kampot—a town known for its colonial charm and pepper plantations—Kampong Trach is home to striking limestone formations and hidden caves scattered across a lush, peaceful countryside. The area offers a scenic escape and a glimpse into Cambodia's natural beauty.



Koh Sdach, Koh Kong Province

Koh Sdach, or “King Island,” is a small island off the coast of Koh Kong Province, known for its bustling fishing village, rocky coastline, and vibrant coral reefs. It offers a unique blend of island life and local culture, where visitors can explore nearby islets, dive among colorful marine life, and experience the rhythms of a close-knit coastal community.



Tatai, Koh Kong Province

Tatai, in Koh Kong Province, is a peaceful riverside escape surrounded by rainforest and mangroves. Known for its waterfalls and scenic river cruises, it offers a mix of adventure and relaxation. Visitors can kayak, birdwatch, or stay in eco-lodges floating gently on the water—all while enjoying the natural beauty of Cambodia's southwest.



Kep Province

Kep is a relaxing seaside province situated 168 km from Phnom Penh. Besides being known for its beaches, Kep is known for its salt and pepper but is best known particularly for its crabs. This coastal province is perceived as one of the 'must visits'.



Eco-tourism Attractions



Rattanakiri Province

Rattanakiri is renowned for its unique natural beauty and wealth of natural resources. The undulating hills and mountains, plateaus, watershed lowlands, clear crater lakes, rivers and beautiful waterfalls form an impressive itinerary of intriguing destinations for eco-tourism.



Mondulakiri Province

Mondulakiri literally means 'Meeting of the Hills'. It is one of the most popular destinations for eco-tourism in Cambodia. The land is very rich in natural resources especially hard minerals such as gold and gems which can be found in all five districts of the province. Furthermore, this place is known for its forested hills and beautiful waterfalls.



Sopheakmit Waterfall, Stung Treng Province

This waterfall is the biggest waterfall along the Mekong river in Cambodia. This amazing waterfall never ceases to mesmerize visitors. The stretch of the mighty Mekong is also a great place to observe the very rare Irrawaddy dolphins.



Kratie Province

Kratie is a relatively quiet town that is located on the east bank of the Mekong river. A great reason to explore this pleasant town is the possibility to view the local freshwater Irrawaddy dolphin population. It is easy to see the dolphins by taking a 25 minute boat ride that also makes it possible to admire the authentic life of the local Cambodians.



Bokor National Park, Kampot Province

Bokor National Park in Kampot Province is a highland retreat known for its cool climate, misty forests, and rich biodiversity. The park features diverse wildlife, hidden waterfalls, and remnants of a former hill station, offering a blend of nature and history that appeals to both explorers and leisure travelers.



Boeng Kayak Mangrove Forest, Koh Kong Province

Boeng Kayak Mangrove Forest in Koh Kong Province is a peaceful natural haven where winding wooden walkways lead through dense mangroves and calm waterways. Ideal for kayaking and birdwatching, the area offers a quiet escape into one of Cambodia's most important coastal ecosystems, rich in biodiversity and local conservation efforts.



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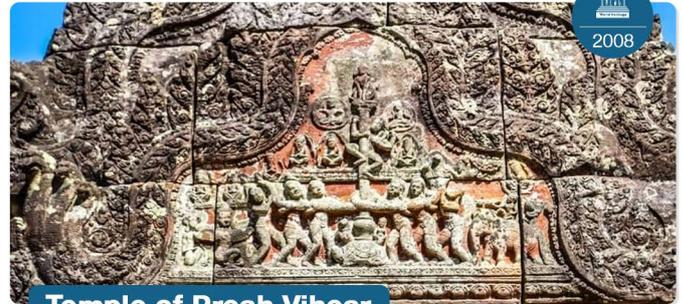
World Heritage List



1992

Angkor

Angkor Archaeological Park, the heart of the ancient Khmer Empire, is a sacred landscape renowned for its majestic temples and intricate bas-reliefs. Expressing centuries of artistic mastery and religious devotion, it embodies Hindu and Buddhist cosmology and remains a powerful symbol of Cambodia's cultural identity and enduring heritage.



2008

Temple of Preah Vihear

Preah Vihear Temple, perched on a dramatic cliff in the Dângrêk Mountains, is a masterpiece of ancient Khmer sacred architecture. Built as a Hindu sanctuary dedicated to Shiva, its carved stone reliefs and mountain setting reflect deep spiritual devotion and artistic brilliance.



2017

Temple Zone of Sambor Prei Kuk

Temple Zone of Sambor Prei Kuk, the ancient capital of Ishanapura, preserves over a hundred early 7th-century temples hidden within a forested landscape. Known for its unique pre-Angkor octagonal sanctuaries, the site reflects the artistic and spiritual foundations of early Khmer civilization.



2023

Koh Ker

Koh Ker, Archaeological Site of Ancient Lingapura or Chok Gargyar, was the remote capital of the 10th-century Khmer Empire, featuring a vast temple complex surrounded by jungle. Its monumental pyramidal architecture and refined stone carvings reflect the bold artistic and spiritual legacy of early Khmer civilization.



2025

Cambodian Memorial Sites

Cambodian Memorial Sites: From Centres of Repression to Places of Peace and Reflection honor the memory of victims and serve as spaces for reflection, education, and healing. Transformed from former centres of repression, these sites symbolize Cambodia's resilience and commitment to peace and remembrance.



Intangible Cultural Heritage



Apsara Dance

The Royal Ballet of Cambodia, a classical Khmer dance form practiced for over a thousand years, is renowned for its elegant movements, elaborate costumes, and intricate hand gestures. Often portraying mythical tales and celestial beings, it remains a symbol of Cambodia's cultural heritage.



Lkhon Khol Wat Svay Andet

Lkhon Khol is a traditional masked dance-drama performed by male dancers, depicting scenes from the Reamker, Cambodia's version of the Ramayana. It combines elaborate masks, classical music, and melodic narration in a unique theatrical form.



Sbek Thom

Sbek Thom is a grand Khmer shadow puppet theatre dedicated to the divine. Using large, intricately carved leather puppets over 1.6 meters tall, performances are illuminated on a screen and brought to life with classical music and narration.



Kun Lbokator

Bokator is an ancient Khmer martial art dating back to the first century, known for its powerful strikes, grappling, and weapon techniques. It promotes physical strength and mental discipline, rooted in a philosophy of non-violence.



Tugging Rituals and Games

Officially known in Khmer as Teanh Prot, meaning "pulling the rope," this traditional tug-of-war game is played during Khmer New Year. Symbolizing strength, unity, and renewal, it draws from Hindu mythology and represents cosmic balance and agricultural prosperity.



Chapei Dang Veng

The Chapei Dang Veng is a traditional Cambodian two-stringed long-necked guitar, often used by storytellers and poets to accompany their narratives. Its music reflects the daily life, customs, and beliefs of the Cambodian people.

Intangible Cultural Heritage



Krama

The Krama is a traditional Cambodian scarf, woven in checkered patterns from cotton or silk. Worn by all ages, it serves both practical and symbolic roles—from clothing and headwear to ceremonial use—embodying Cambodian identity and resilience.

Festivals



Khmer New Year

Cambodia's most important holiday, Khmer New Year is a vibrant three-day celebration in April marking the end of the harvest season. It features family gatherings, temple visits, traditional games, and festive rituals.



Pchum Ben

A major religious festival honoring ancestors, during which Cambodians visit pagodas to offer food and prayers for their departed loved ones. It marks the end of the 15-day Dak Ben period, when people traditionally visit at least seven pagodas to make offerings.



Royal Ploughing Ceremony

Preah Reach Pithi Chrat Preah Nengkal, or the Royal Ploughing Ceremony, is an ancient tradition held each May to bless the rice farming season. Sacred oxen are used to predict the year's agricultural outlook in the presence of the King.



Water Festival

Bon Om Touk, or the Cambodian Water Festival, celebrates the reversal of the Tonle Sap River. Held on the full moon of Kadeuk, it marks the end of the rainy season with thrilling boat races by day and illuminated floats and fireworks by night.



Cuisines



Amok

This dish can be prepared with various types of meat, such as fish, shrimp, or chicken. Coated in rich Khmer curry, it might just be one of our nation's finest culinary treasures!



Num Banh Chok

A popular Cambodian dish featuring fresh rice noodles combined with vegetables and your choice of a fish-based curry or gravy.



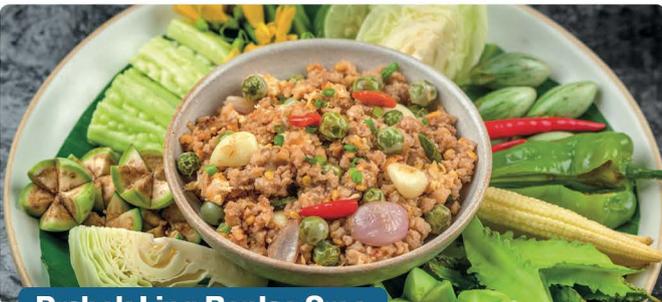
Chha Lok Lak Sach Ko

A highly celebrated Cambodian dish featuring beef and fresh vegetables, often served with a flavorful black pepper sauce.



Samlar Karko

This flavorful stew combines a variety of vegetables, such as green papaya, eggplant, and our renowned Khmer paste!



Prahok Ling Bonlae Sros

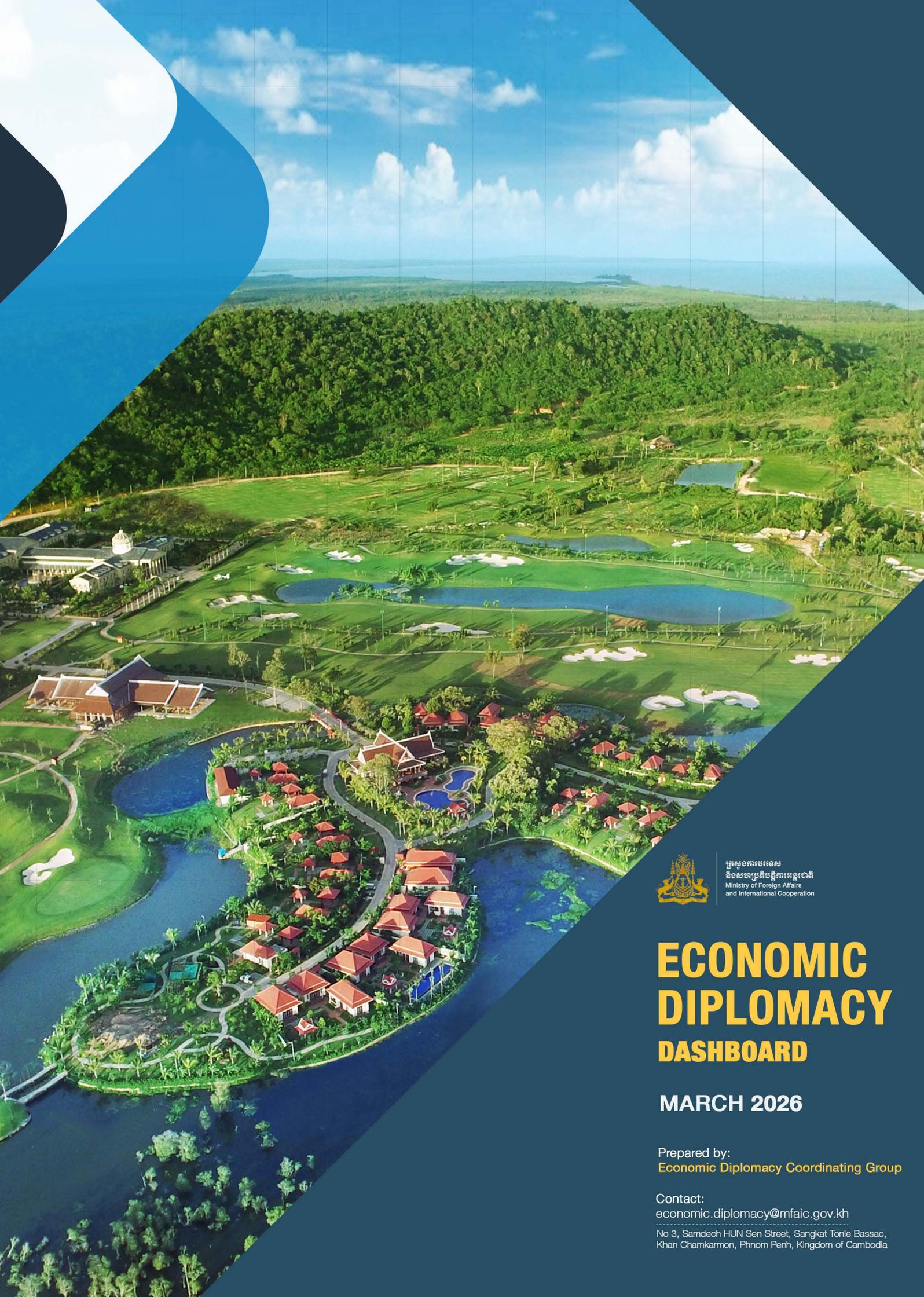
A traditional Cambodian dip made from seasoned minced fish (prahok), stir-fried with aromatic herbs and paired with fresh, crunchy vegetables. Bold, savory, and deeply flavorful, it's a true taste of Cambodia's culinary heritage.



Num Angkonh Andet

Num Angkonh Andet is a traditional Cambodian snack made from sticky rice mixed with black beans, coconut milk, and syrup. Sweet, fragrant, and comforting, it's a popular treat during festivals and family gatherings.





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