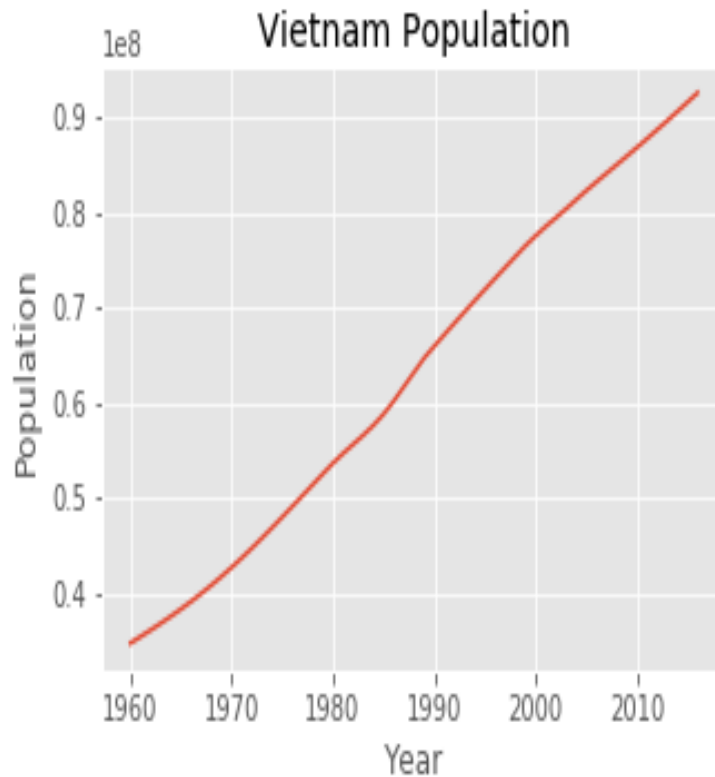


# Vietnam



Coordinates: 16°10′N 107°50′E﻿ / ﻿16.167°N 107.833°E﻿ / 16.167; 107.833in ASEAN (dark grey) – [Legend]Vietnam (UK: /ˈviɛtˈnæm, -næm/, US: /ˈviɛtˈnæm, -næm/ ( listen); Vietnamese: Việt Nam pronounced [viɛt nəm] ( listen)), officially the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnamese: Cộng hòa xã hội chủ nghĩa Việt Nam ( listen)), is the easternmost country on the Indochina Peninsula in Southeast Asia. With an estimated 94.6 million inhabitants as of 2016[update], it is the world's 14th-most-populous country, and the ninth-most-populous Asian country. Vietnam is bordered by China to the north, Laos to the northwest, Cambodia to the southwest, Thailand across the Gulf of Thailand to the southwest, and the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia across the South China Sea to the east and southeast.[d] Its capital city has been Hanoi since the reunification of North and South Vietnam in 1976, with Ho Chi Minh City as the most populous city.