

Nnamdi Azikiwe

Nnamdi Azikiwe in 1967

Nnamdi Azikiwe (16 November 1904 - 11 May 1996), also known as **Nnamdi Benjamin Azikiwe**, was a [Nigerian](#) politician who was the first [President of Nigeria](#) during the First Nigerian Republic that existed from 1963 to 1966. He was considered a driving force behind the nation's independence and was known as the "father of Nigerian nationalism".

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