

Haryana

Haryana (Hindi: Hariyāṇā, pronounced [həriˈjɑːnɑː]) is a state located in the northern part of India. It was carved out after the linguistic reorganisation of Punjab on 1 November 1966. It is ranked 21st in terms of area, with less than 1.4% (44,212 km² or 17,070 sq mi) of India's land area. The state capital is Chandigarh, which it shares with the neighbouring state of Punjab; the most populous city is Faridabad, a part of the National Capital Region. The city of Gurgaon is among India's largest financial and technology hubs. Haryana has 6 administrative divisions, 22 districts, 72 subdivisions, 93 revenue tehsils, 50 sub-tehsils, 140 community development blocks, 154 cities and towns, 7,356 villages, and 6,222 villages panchayats. [8][10]

Haryana contains 32 special economic zones (SEZs), mainly located within the industrial corridor projects connecting the National Capital Region. Gurgaon is considered one of the major information technology and automobile hubs of India. Haryana ranks 11th among Indian states in human development index. Haryana ranks 11th among Indian states in India, with a gross state domestic product (GSDP) of ₹7.65 trillion (US\$90 billion) and has the country's 5th-highest GSDP per capita of ₹240,000 (US\$2,800). [5]

The state is rich in <u>history</u>, <u>monuments</u>, <u>heritage</u>, <u>flora and fauna</u> and <u>tourism</u>, with a well-developed <u>economy</u>, <u>national</u> and <u>state highways</u>. It is bordered by <u>Punjab</u> and <u>Himachal Pradesh</u> to the north, by <u>Rajasthan</u> to the west and <u>south</u>, while river <u>Yamuna</u> forms its eastern border with <u>Uttar Pradesh</u>. Haryana surrounds the country's capital territory of <u>Delhi</u> on three sides (north, west and south), consequently, a large area of Haryana state is included in the economically important National Capital Region of India for the purposes of planning and development.

Etymology

Anthropologists came up with the view that Haryana was known by this name because in the post- $\underline{\text{Mahabharata}}$ period, the $\underline{\bar{\text{Abhiras}}}$ lived here, $\underline{^{[14]}}$ who developed special skills in the art of agriculture. $\underline{^{[15]}}$ According to Pran Nath Chopra, Haryana evolved as a word from $\underline{\bar{\text{Abhirayana}}}$ (from $\underline{\bar{\text{abhira}}}$ and $\underline{\text{ayana}}$ "path, way") to $\underline{\text{Ahirayana}}$ to $\underline{\text{Hariyana}}$ (Haryana).

History

Ancient period

The villages of <u>Rakhigarhi</u> in <u>Hisar district</u> and <u>Bhirrana</u> in <u>Fatehabad district</u> are home to ancient sites of the <u>Indus Valley Civilization</u>, which contain evidence of paved roads, a drainage system, a large-scale rainwater collection storage system, terracotta brick and statue production, and skilled metalworking (in both bronze and precious metals). [17]

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State

State of Haryana



From top, left to right: Cyber City in Gurgaon,
Pinjore Gardens, bronze chariot of Krishna and
Arjuna at Kurukshetra, Asigarh Fort, Rohtak
Stadium, Lake in Surajkund, Rajiv Gandhi
Sports Complex



Emblem of Haryana

Etymology: "Abode of God or Green Forest"

Motto(s): Satyameva Jayate (Sanskrit)

"Truth alone triumphs"

Anthem: Jai Jai Jai Haryana (Hindi)

"Victory to Haryana"



A skeleton from an Indus Valley civilisation site near Rakhigarhi. [17] The skeleton is on display in the National

Museum



Manuscript illustration of the <u>Battle of Kurukshetra</u>, which is a war described in the <u>Indian epic</u> poem <u>Mahābhārata</u>. The conflict arose from a dynastic succession struggle between two groups of cousins, the <u>Kauravas</u> and <u>Pandavas</u>, for the throne of <u>Hastinapura</u> in an Indian kingdom called Kuru.

During the Vedic era, Haryana was the site of the Kuru Kingdom, one of India's great Mahajanapadas. The south of Haryana is the claimed location of Manu's state of Brahmavarta. The area surrounding Dhosi Hill, and districts of Rewari and Mahendragarh had Ashrams of several Rishis who made valuable contributions to important Hindu scriptures like Vedas, Upanishads, Manusmriti, Brahmanas and Puranas. As per Manusmriti, Manu was the king of Brahmavarta, the flood time state 10,000 years ago surrounded by oldest route of Sarasvati and Drishadwati rivers on the banks of which Sanatan-Vedic or present-day Hindu ethos evolved and scriptures were composed.

Medieval period

Ancient bronze and stone idols of Jain <u>Tirthankara</u> were found in archaeological expeditions in <u>Badli, Bhiwani</u> (Ranila, Charkhi Dadri and <u>Badhra</u>), <u>Dadri, Gurgaon</u> (Gurugram), <u>Hansi, Hisar, Kasan, Nahad, Narnaul, Pehowa, Rewari, Rohad, Rohtak</u> (Asthal Bohar) and Sonepat in Haryana. [21]



Harsha Ka Tila mound west of Sheikh Chilli's Tomb complex, with ruins from the reign of 7th-century ruler Harsha.

Pushyabhuti dynasty ruled parts of northern India in the 7th century with its capital at Thanesar. Harsha was a prominent king of the dynasty. Tomara dynasty ruled the south Haryana region in the 10th century. Anangpal Tomar was a prominent king among the Tomaras. [22]

After the sack of Bhatner fort during the Timurid conquests of India in 1398, Timur attacked and sacked the cities of Sirsa, Fatehabad, Sunam, Kaithal and Panipat. [23][24]

Hem Chandra Vikramaditya, also called Hemu, claimed royal status and the throne of Delhi after defeating Akbar's Mughal forces on 7 October 1556 in the Battle of Delhi, and assumed the ancient title of Vikramaditya. The area that is now Haryana has been ruled by some of the major empires of India. Panipat is known for three seminal battles in the history of India. In the First Battle of Panipat (1526), Babur defeated the Lodis. In the Second Battle of Panipat (1556), Akbar defeated the local Haryanvi Hindu Emperor of Delhi, who belonged to Rewari. Hem Chandra Vikramaditya had earlier won 22 battles across India from 1553 to 1556 from Punjab to Bengal, defeating the



Location of Haryana in India Coordinates: 30°44′N 76°47′E

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Country	India
Region	North India
Before was	Part of Punjab
Formation	1 November 1966
Capital	Chandigarh
Largest city	Faridabad
Districts	22 (6 divisions)
Government	
• Body	Government of
	Haryana
• Governor	Bandaru Dattatreya
 Chief minister 	Nayab Singh Saini
	(2024–) ^[1]
State Legislature	Unicameral
 Assembly 	Haryana Legislative
	Assembly (90 seats)
National Parliament	Parliament of India
• Rajya Sabha	5 seats
• Lok Sabha	10 seats
High Court	Punjab and Haryana High Court
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Area ^[2]	
• Total	44,212 km ²
• Rank	(17,070 sq mi) 21st
Elevation	200 m (700 ft)
Highest elevation (Karoh Peak)	1,499 m (4,918 ft)
Lowest elevation	169 m (554 ft)
Population (2011)	
• Total	▲ 25,351,462
• Rank	18th
• Density	573/km ² (1,480/sq mi)
• Urban	34.88%
• Rural	65.12%
Demonym	Haryanvi
Language	
• Official	Hindi ^[3]

Additional official

English · Punjabi^[4]



Portrait of Hem Chandra

<u>Vikramaditya</u>, who fought and
won across North India from
the <u>Punjab</u> to <u>Bengal</u>, winning
22 straight battles. [25]

Mughals and Afghans. Hemu had defeated Akbar's forces twice at Agra and the Battle of Delhi in 1556 to become the last Hindu Emperor of India with a formal coronation at Purana Quila in Delhi on 7 October 1556. In the Third Battle of Panipat (1761), the Afghan king Ahmad Shah Abdali defeated the Marathas. [26]

British Period

The state was part of the British <u>Punjab</u> province. The <u>Delhi</u> division of Punjab province formed the bulk of Haryana. Among the princely states that were located in the state were <u>Jind</u>, <u>Kalsia</u>, <u>Loharu</u>, <u>Dujana</u> and <u>Pataudi</u>, as well as parts of the Patiala State.

Partition and aftermath

During the <u>Partition of India</u>, the Punjab province was one of two British Indian provinces, alongside Bengal, to be partitioned between India and Pakistan. Haryana, along with other Hindu and Sikh-dominated areas of Punjab province, became part of India as <u>East Punjab</u> state. As a result, a significant number of Muslims left for the newly formed country of <u>Pakistan</u>. Similarly, a huge number of Hindu and Sikh refugees poured into the state from <u>West Punjab</u>. Gopi Chand Bhargava, who hailed from Sirsa in present-day Haryana, became the first Chief Minister of East Punjab.

Formation of Haryana

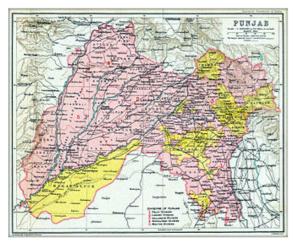
Haryana as a state came into existence on 1 November 1966 the Punjab Reorganisation Act (1966). The Indian government set up the Shah Commission under the chairmanship of Justice JC Shah on 23 April 1966 to divide the existing state of Punjab and determine the boundaries of the new state of Haryana after consideration of the languages spoken by the people. It encompassed the predominantly Hindi-speaking southern part of former Punjab, while the state of Punjab was reduced to the area where Punjabi speakers formed the majority population. The commission delivered its report on 31 May 1966 whereby the then-districts of Hisar, Mahendragarh, Gurgaon, Rohtak and Karnal were to be a part of the new state of Haryana. Further, the tehsils of Jind and Narwana in the Sangrur district – along with Naraingarh, Ambala and Jagadhri – were to be included. [27]

The commission recommended that the tehsil of <u>Kharar</u>, which includes <u>Chandigarh</u>, the state capital of Punjab, should be a part of Haryana. However, <u>Kharar</u> was given to Punjab. The city of Chandigarh was made a union territory, serving as the capital of both Punjab and Haryana.

Bhagwat Dayal Sharma became the first Chief Minister of Haryana. Chaudhary Devi Lal is credited to be the individual who pushed for the creation of this commission. He was an instrumental figure in the separation of the Haryana state from Punjab in 1966.

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 Official script 	Devanagari ·						
	Gurmukhi						
GDP ^[5]							
• Total (2024–25)	▲ ₹14.17 trillion						
	(US\$170 billion)						
• Rank	<u>13th</u>						
• Per capita	<u>_</u> ₹436,150						
	(US\$5,200) (6th)						
Time zone	<u>UTC+05:30</u> (IST)						
ISO 3166 code	IN-HR						
Vehicle registration	HR						
HDI (2019)	▲ 0.708 High ^[6] (12th)						
Literacy (2011)	▲ 75.55% (22nd)						
Sex ratio (2021)	926 ♀ /1000 ♂ [7] (29th)						
Website							
website	haryana.gov.in (http s://haryana.gov.in)						
Symbols							
Syllibols	of Haryana						
Emblem of Haryana							
Song	Jai Jai Jai Haryana						
<u> </u>	(Hindi)						
	"Victory to Haryana"						
Foundation day	Haryana Day						
Bird 	Black francolin						
Flower	Lotus						
Mammal Trace	Blackbuck						
Tree	Bodhi tree						
State highway mark							
Haryana HR SH State highway of Haryana							
	– HR SH33						
List of Indian	ı state symbols						
^† Joint Capital with Punjab TT Common for Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh.							

Demographics



Map of the Punjab Province of British India; Haryana formed the southeastern areas of the province

Castes and tribes

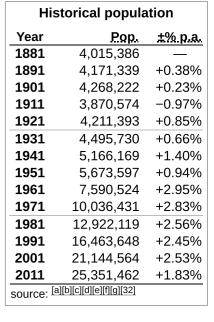
As per 2019 estimates, the caste wise composition of Haryana is 25-30% Jats, 21% Scheduled Caste, 8% Punjabis, 7.5% Brahmins, 5.1% Ahir/Yadav, 5% Vaish, 4% Jat Sikhs, 3.8% Meos and other Muslims, 3.4% Rajputs, 3.4% Gujjar, 2.9% Saini, 2.7% Kumhars, 1.1% Ror and 0.7% Bishnois. [33][34][35]

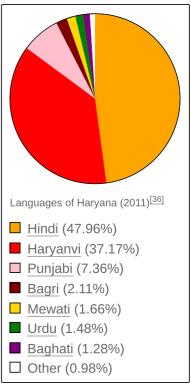
Languages

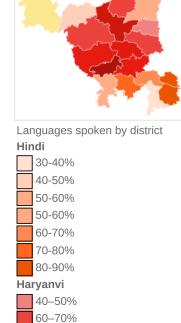
The official language of Haryana

is <u>Hindi</u>. [37] Several regional languages or dialects, often subsumed under Hindi, are spoken in the state. Predominant among them is <u>Haryanvi</u> (also known as Bangru), whose territory encompasses the central and eastern portions of Haryana. <u>Hindi</u> and <u>Punjabi</u> is spoken in the northeast, <u>Bagri</u> in the west, Deshwali in the East and <u>Ahirwati</u>, <u>Mewati</u> and <u>Braj Bhasha</u> in the south. [38]

There are also significant numbers of speakers of <u>Urdu</u> and <u>Punjabi</u>, the latter of which was recognised as the second official language of Haryana for government and administrative purposes in 2010. [37][4] After the state's formation, Telugu was made the state's "second language" – to be taught in schools – but it was not the "second official language" for official communication. Due to a lack of students, the language ultimately stopped being taught. [39] Tamil was made the second language in 1969 by <u>Bansi Lal</u> to show the state's differences with Punjab although there were no Tamil speakers in Haryana at the time. [40] In 2010, due to the lack of Tamil speakers, the language was removed from its status. [40]







There are also some speakers of several major regional languages of neighbouring states or other parts of the subcontinent, like <u>Bengali</u>, <u>Bhojpuri</u>, Marwari, Mewari, and Napali [41] as well as smaller communities of speakers of languages

<u>Marwari</u>, <u>Mewari</u>, and <u>Nepali</u>, as well as smaller communities of speakers of languages that are dispersed across larger regions, like <u>Bauria</u>, <u>Bazigar</u>, <u>Gujari</u>, <u>Gade Lohar</u>, <u>Oadki</u>, and Sansi. [42]

Religion

Punjabi

40-50%

70-80% 80-90%

90-100%

According to the 2011 census, of the total population of 25,351,462 in Haryana, <u>Hindus</u> (87.46%) constitute the majority of the state's population with Muslims (7.03%) (mainly Meos) and Sikhs (4.91%) being the largest minorities. [43]

Muslims are mainly found in the <u>Nuh district</u>. Haryana has the second largest Sikh population in India after <u>Punjab</u>, and they mostly live in the districts adjoining <u>Punjab</u>, such as <u>Sirsa</u>, <u>Jind</u>, <u>Fatehabad</u>, <u>Kaithal</u>, <u>Kurukshetra</u>, <u>Ambala</u> and <u>Panchkula</u>.

Religious	1881 ^{[46][}	47][48][a]	1891 ^[49]	50][51][b]	1901 ^{[52]:34} [c]			
group	<u>Pop.</u>	<u>%</u>	Pop.	<u>%</u>	Pop.	<u>%</u>	<u>P</u>	
Hinduism 🕉 ^[h]	2,863,454	71.31%	2,959,925	70.96%	3,012,101	70.57%	2,6	
Islam <u>(</u>	1,009,526	25.14%	1,037,541	24.87%	1,090,306	25.54%	1,0	
Sikhism 🕸	118,468	2.95%	146,483	3.51%	135,634	3.18%	17	
Jainism 🧸	19,885	0.5%	21,575	0.52%	23,906	0.56%	20	
Christianity +	4,045	0.1%	5,783	0.14%	6,232	0.15%	10	
Zoroastrianism <u>*</u>	6	0.0001%	25	0.001%	27	0.001%	53	
Buddhism 🌞	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4	
Judaism 🌣	_	_	6	0.0001%	5	0.0001%	8	
Others	2	0%	1	0%	11	0.0003%	0	
Total Population	4,015,386	100%	4,171,339	100%	4,268,222	100%	3,8	

Religion in Haryana (2011) ^[43]
☐ <u>Hinduism</u> (87.46%)☐ Islam (7.03%)
Sikhism (4.91%)
☐ <u>Jainism</u> (0.21%)
Christianity (0.2%)
<u>Buddhism</u> (0.03%)
Others (0.18%)

Note: Colonial-era census figures include small portions of contemporary Punjab, India due to changes to admini

- 1. kharar, Ropar tehsil of Ambala District Included in haryana here, while Fully Ropar tehsil given to Punjab in Punjab and 36 villages with Chandigarth and Manimajra town to Chandigarth UT.
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Culture

Music

Haryana has its own unique traditional <u>folk music</u>, <u>folk dances</u>, <u>saang</u> (folk theatre), <u>[59]</u> <u>cinema</u>, <u>[60]</u> belief system such as <u>Jathera</u> (ancestral worship), <u>[61][62]</u> and arts such as Phulkari and Shisha embroidery.

Folk dances

Folk music and dances of Haryana are based on satisfying the cultural needs of primarily <u>agrarian</u> and <u>martial natures</u> of Haryanavi tribes. [63]

Haryanvi musical folk theatre's main types are <u>Saang</u>, <u>Raslila</u> and <u>Ragini</u>. The Saang and Ragini form of theatre was popularised by Lakhmi Chand. [63]

Haryanvi folk dances and music have fast energetic movements. Three popular categories of dance are festive-seasonal, devotional, and ceremonial-recreational. The festive-seasonal dances and songs are <u>Gogaji/Gugga</u>, <u>Holi, Phaag</u>, <u>Sawan</u>, <u>Teej</u>. The devotional dances and songs are <u>Chaupaiya</u>, <u>Holi, Manjira</u>, <u>Ras Leela</u>, <u>Raginis</u>). The ceremonial-recreational dances and songs are of following types: legendary bravery (<u>Kissa</u> and <u>Ragini</u> of male warriors and female Satis), love and romance (<u>Been</u> and its variant Nāginī dance, and Ragini), ceremonial (Dhamal Dance, Ghoomar, Jhoomar (male), Khoria, Loor, and Ragini).

Folk music and songs

Haryanvi folk music is based on day-to-day themes and injecting earthly humour enlivens the feel of the songs. [61] Haryanvi music takes two main forms: "Classical folk music" and "Desi Folk music" (Country Music of Haryana), [64] and sung in the form of ballads and love, valor and bravery, harvest, happiness and pangs of the parting of lovers. [63][64][65]

Classical Haryanvi folk music

Classical Haryanvi folk music is based on <u>Indian classical music</u>. Hindustani classical ragas, learnt in gharana parampara of guru–shishya tradition, are used to sing songs of heroic bravery (such as <u>Alha-Khand</u> (1163–1202 CE) about the bravery of <u>Alha</u> and Udal, Jaimal and Patta of Maharana Udai Singh II), Brahmas worship and festive seasonal songs (such as Teej, Holi and

Desi Haryanvi folk music

Desi Haryanvi folk music, is a form of Haryanvi music, based on Raag Bhairvi, Raag Bhairav, Raag Kafi, Raag Jaijaivanti, Raag Jhinjhoti and Raag Pahadi and used for celebrating community bonhomie to sing seasonal songs, ballads, ceremonial songs (wedding, etc.) and related religious legendary tales such as Puran Bhagat. Relationship and songs celebrating love and life are sung in medium pitch. Ceremonial and religious songs are sung in low pitch. Young girls and women usually sing entertaining and fast seasonal, love, relationship and friendship-related songs such as Phagan (song for eponymous season/month), Katak (songs for the eponymous season/month), Samman (songs for the eponymous season/month), bande-bandi (male-female duet songs), sathne (songs of sharing heartfelt feelings among female friends). Older women usually sing devotional Mangal Geet (auspicious songs) and ceremonial songs such as Bhajan, Bhat (wedding gift to the mother of bride or groom by her brother), Sagai, Ban (Hindu wedding ritual where pre-wedding festivities starts), Kuan-Poojan (a custom that is performed to welcome the birth of a child by worshiping the well or source of drinking water), Sanjhi and Holi festival.

Socially normative-cohesive impact

Music and dance for Haryanvi people is a way of lessening societal differences as folk singers are highly esteemed and they are sought after and invited for events, ceremonies and special occasions regardless of their caste or status. These inter-caste songs are fluid in nature, and never personalised for any specific caste, and they are sung collectively by women from different strata, castes, and dialects. These songs transform fluidly in dialect, style, words, etc. This adoptive style can be seen in the adoption of tunes of Bollywood movie songs into Haryanvi songs. Despite this continuous fluid transforming nature, Haryanvi songs have a distinct style of their own as explained above. [63]

With the coming up of a strongly socio-economic metropolitan culture in the emergence of urban Gurgaon Haryana is also witnessing community participation in public arts and city beautification. Several landmarks across Gurgaon are decorated with public murals and graffiti with cultural cohesive ideologies and stand the testimony of a lived sentiment in Haryana folk. [66]

Cuisine

As per a survey, 13% of males and 7.8% of females of Haryana are non-vegetarian. [67] The cuisine of Haryana, rooted in its predominantly agricultural society, has maintained a simple and uncomplicated essence. [68] The regional cuisine features the staples of roti, saag, vegetarian sabzi and milk products such as ghee, milk, lassi and kheer. [69] Haryana is often referred to as the Land of Rotis' due to its residents' fondness for various types of rotis. Wheat rotis are ubiquitous, along with the popular baajre ki roti. In the past, rotis were commonly made from a blend of wheat, gram, and barley flour, offering a nutritious and wholesome combination. Another notable variety is the gochini atta, crafted from wheat and gram flour. [70] Haryana is renowned for its abundant livestock, including the famed Murrah buffalo and the Haryana cow. This cattle wealth ensures a plentiful supply of milk and dairy products in Haryanvi cuisine. Many households produce their own butter and ghee, which are generously incorporated into daily meals. Fresh homemade butter, known as "nooni" or "tindi ghee," is commonly churned on a daily basis. When a girl becomes a mother, it's customary for her family to present her with gifts of ghee, edible gum (gondh), laddus (sweetmeats made from gram flour), and dry fruits. Buttermilk, known as "chaaj," is a popular beverage and serves as an instant refresher during the summer months. Lassi, made from yogurt, is another beloved drink that can almost constitute a meal in itself. The Haryanvi fondness for lassi is evident in the fact that "thandai," a sweet milk-based drink, is referred to as "kachi lassi" in Haryana. [68]

Society

<u>Haryanvi people</u> have a concept of inclusive society involving the "36 Jātis" or communities. Castes such as <u>Jat</u>, <u>Rajput</u>, <u>Gurjar</u>, <u>Saini</u>, <u>Pasi</u>, <u>Ahirs</u>, <u>Ror</u>, <u>Meo</u>, <u>Charan</u>, <u>Bishnoi</u>, <u>Harijan</u>, <u>Aggarwal</u>, <u>Brahmin</u>, <u>Khatri</u> and <u>Tyagi</u> are some of the notable of these 36 <u>Jātis</u>. [71][72]

Geography

Haryana is a landlocked state in northern India. It is between 27°39' to 30°35' N latitude and between 74°28' and 77°36' E longitude. The total geographical area of the state is 4.42 m ha, which is 1.4% of the geographical area of the country. The altitude of Haryana varies between 700 and 3600 ft (200 metres to 1200 metres) above sea level. Haryana has only 4% (compared with national 21.85%) area under forests. Karoh Peak, a 1,467-metre (4,813 ft) tall mountain peak in the Sivalik

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Hills range of the greater Himalayas range located near Morni Hills area of Panchkula district, is the highest point in Haryana. [76][77][78][79] Most of the state sits atop the fertile Ghaggar Plain, a subsection of the Indo-Gangetic Plain. Haryana has 4 states and 2 union territories on its border – Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Delhi, and Chandigarh.

Plains and mountains

Haryana has four main geographical features. [80]

- The Yamuna-Ghaggar plain forming the largest part of the state is also called *Delhi doab* consists of *Sutlej-Ghaggar doab* (between Sutlej in the north of Punjab and the Ghaggar river flowing through northern Haryana), *Ghaggar-Hakra doab* (between Ghaggar river and Hakra or Drishadvati river which is the paleochannel of the holy Saraswati River) and *Hakra-Yamuna doab* (between Hakra river and Yamuna).
- The Lower Shivalik Hills to the northeast in foothills of Himalaya
- The <u>Bagar region</u> semi-desert dry sandy plain in north west of Haryana, covering northwest districts of Sirsa, western Fatehabad and northwestern Hisar.
- The <u>Aravali Range</u>'s northernmost low rise isolated non-continuous outcrops in the <u>south</u>, covering the Nuh district.

Hydrography

The Yamuna, a tributary of the Ganges, flows along the state's eastern boundary. [81]

Northern Haryana has several northeast to west flowing rivers originating from the Sivalik Hills of Himalayas, such as Ghaggar (palaeochannel of vedic Sarasvati river), Chautang (paleochannel of vedic Drishadvati river, tributary of the Ghagghar), Tangri river (tributary of the Ghagghar), Kaushalya river (tributary of the Ghagghar), Markanda River (tributary of Ghagghar), Sarsuti, Markanda River (tributary of Ghagghar), Sarsuti, Markanda River (tributary of Ghagghar), Sarsuti, Nown as Ghaggar before the Ottu barrage and as the Hakra downstream of the barrage, rises in the outer Himalayas, between the Yamuna and the Satluj and enters the state near Pinjore in the Panchkula district, passes through



Yamuna river near the Haryana Border

<u>Ambala</u> and <u>Sirsa</u>, it reaches <u>Bikaner</u> in <u>Rajasthan</u> and runs for 460 km (290 mi) before disappearing into the deserts of Rajasthan. The seasonal <u>Markanda River</u>, known as the *Aruna* in ancient times, originates from the lower Shivalik Hills and enters Haryana west of <u>Ambala</u>, and swells into a raging torrent during monsoon is notorious for its devastating power, carries its surplus water on to the Sanisa Lake where the Markanda joins the Sarasuti and later the Ghaggar.

Southern Haryana has several south-west to east flowing seasonal rivulets originating from the <u>Aravalli Range</u> in and around the hills in <u>Mewat</u> region, including <u>Sahibi River</u> [88][89][90][91] (called <u>Najafgarh drain</u> in Delhi), [92][93][94][95][96] Dohan river (tributary of Sahibi, originates at Mandoli village near <u>Neem Ka Thana</u> in <u>Jhunjhunu district</u> of <u>Rajasthan</u> and then disappears in Mahendragarh district), [89][91] <u>Krishnavati river</u> (former tributary of Sahibi river, originates near <u>Dariba</u> and disappears in Mahendragarh district much before reaching Sahibi river) and <u>Indori river</u> (longest tributary of Sahibi River, originates in <u>Sikar district</u> of <u>Rajasthan</u> and flows to Rewari district of Haryana), these once were tributaries of the <u>Drishadwati/Saraswati river</u>. [97][98][99]

Major canals are Western Yamuna Canal, [100][101][102] Sutlej Yamuna link canal (from Sutlej river tributary of Indus), [101][102] and Indira Gandhi Canal. [103]

Major dams are <u>Kaushalya Dam</u> in Panchkula district, <u>104</u> <u>Hathnikund Barrage</u> <u>100][105]</u> and <u>Tajewala Barrage</u> on Yamuna in Yamunanagar district, <u>100][105][106]</u> <u>Pathrala barrage</u> on Somb river in Yamunanagar district, <u>100][106]</u> ancient <u>Anagpur Dam</u> near Surajkund in Faridabad district, <u>107][108]</u> and <u>Ottu barrage</u> on Ghaggar-Hakra River in Sirsa district. <u>109][110][111]</u>

Major lakes are Dighal Wetland, <u>Basai Wetland</u>, <u>Badkhal Lake</u> in Faridabad, [112][113] holy <u>Brahma Sarovar [114][115]</u> and <u>Sannihit Sarovar</u> in Kurukshetra, [116] <u>Blue Bird Lake</u> in <u>Hisar, [117][118]</u> Damdama Lake at Sohna, [119][120] Hathni Kund in



Kaushalya Dam

Yamunanagar district, [100][105] Karna Lake at Karnal, [121] ancient Surajkund in Faridabad, [107][122][123] and [1123][123] and [1124][125][126]

The *Haryana State Waterbody Management Board* is responsible for the rejuvenation of 14,000 johads of Haryana and up to 60 lakes in National Capital Region falling within the Haryana state. [127][128]

The only hot spring in Haryana is the Sohna Sulphur Hot Spring at Sohna in Gurgaon district. [129][130] Tosham Hill range has several sacred sulphur ponds of religious significance that are revered for the healing impact of sulphur, such as Pandu Teerth Kund, Surya Kund, Kukkar Kund, Gyarasia Kund or Wyas Kund. [131]

Seasonal waterfalls include <u>Tikkar Taal twin lakes</u> at <u>Morni hiills</u>, <u>Dhosi Hill</u> in Mahendragarh district and <u>Pali village</u> on the outskirts of Faridabad.

Climate

Haryana is hot in summer at around 45 °C (113 °F) and mild in winter. The hottest months are May and June and the coldest are December and January. The climate is arid to semi-arid with an average rainfall of 592.93 mm. Around 29% of rainfall is received during the months from July to September as a result of the monsoon, and the remaining rainfall is received during the period from December to February as a result of the western disturbance.

Climate data for Gurgaon (1991–2020, extremes 1965–2000)													
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Record high °C (°F)	28.0 (82.4)	33.5 (92.3)	39.5 (103.1)	44.8 (112.6)	49.0 (120.2)	47.5 (117.5)	45.0 (113.0)	41.0 (105.8)	41.2 (106.2)	39.3 (102.7)	38.4 (101.1)	32.5 (90.5)	49.0 (120.2)
Mean daily maximum °C (°F)	20.1 (68.2)	23.8 (74.8)	29.9 (85.8)	36.9 (98.4)	40.9 (105.6)	39.3 (102.7)	35.9 (96.6)	33.9 (93.0)	33.4 (92.1)	32.0 (89.6)	27.8 (82.0)	22.5 (72.5)	31.2 (88.2)
Mean daily minimum °C (°F)	6.9 (44.4)	9.5 (49.1)	14.0 (57.2)	19.6 (67.3)	24.6 (76.3)	26.7 (80.1)	26.7 (80.1)	25.8 (78.4)	24.4 (75.9)	18.0 (64.4)	12.0 (53.6)	7.5 (45.5)	17.7 (63.9)
Record low °C (°F)	0.0 (32.0)	0.7 (33.3)	3.7 (38.7)	9.2 (48.6)	14.8 (58.6)	12.0 (53.6)	21.0 (69.8)	15.5 (59.9)	13.9 (57.0)	9.3 (48.7)	2.6 (36.7)	-0.4 (31.3)	-0.4 (31.3)
Average rainfall mm (inches)	13.5 (0.53)	16.9 (0.67)	3.4 (0.13)	8.2 (0.32)	22.7 (0.89)	79.2 (3.12)	135.5 (5.33)	211.4 (8.32)	120.2 (4.73)	15.9 (0.63)	10.7 (0.42)	11.0 (0.43)	648.6 (25.54)
Average rainy days	1.2	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.7	4.3	7.6	8.5	5.5	1.3	1.0	0.8	34.2
Average relative humidity (%) (at 17:30 IST)	54	45	37	28	31	40	63	69	59	45	47	55	48

Source: India Meteorological Department[133][134]

			Cli	mate data	for Karn	al (1991–2	2020, extr	emes 194	9–2012)				
Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Record high °C (°F)	31.2 (88.2)	33.2 (91.8)	37.5 (99.5)	45.2 (113.4)	46.0 (114.8)	45.6 (114.1)	43.9 (111.0)	42.0 (107.6)	38.3 (100.9)	39.3 (102.7)	34.4 (93.9)	28.5 (83.3)	46.0 (114.8)
Mean daily maximum °C (°F)	18.2 (64.8)	22.2 (72.0)	27.7 (81.9)	35.5 (95.9)	38.6 (101.5)	37.6 (99.7)	33.8 (92.8)	32.6 (90.7)	32.3 (90.1)	31.8 (89.2)	27.3 (81.1)	21.5 (70.7)	30.0 (86.0)
Mean daily minimum °C (°F)	6.4 (43.5)	8.9 (48.0)	12.9 (55.2)	18.3 (64.9)	23.1 (73.6)	25.4 (77.7)	26.0 (78.8)	25.3 (77.5)	23.2 (73.8)	17.3 (63.1)	11.5 (52.7)	7.4 (45.3)	17.2 (63.0)
Record low °C (°F)	-0.3 (31.5)	0.6 (33.1)	3.5 (38.3)	9.0 (48.2)	14.5 (58.1)	18.0 (64.4)	16.0 (60.8)	18.4 (65.1)	16.0 (60.8)	9.4 (48.9)	3.0 (37.4)	-0.4 (31.3)	-0.4 (31.3)
Average rainfall mm (inches)	32.5 (1.28)	28.9 (1.14)	21.1 (0.83)	13.3 (0.52)	27.6 (1.09)	98.4 (3.87)	172.8 (6.80)	160.4 (6.31)	128.4 (5.06)	4.3 (0.17)	2.0 (0.08)	6.0 (0.24)	695.4 (27.38)
Average rainy days	1.7	2.1	1.5	1.2	1.7	5.1	7.8	8.0	5.0	0.3	0.2	0.6	35.4
Average relative humidity (%) (at 17:30 IST)	64	58	51	31	33	44	67	73	68	54	53	60	55

Source: India Meteorological Department^[133]

[134]

Flora and fauna

Forests

Forest cover in the state in 2013 was 3.59% (1586 km²) and the tree cover in the state was 2.90% (1282 km²), giving a total forest and tree cover of 6.49%. In 2016 and 2017, 18,412 hectares were brought under tree cover by planting 14.1 million seedlings. Thorny, dry, deciduous forest and thorny shrubs can be found all over the state. During the monsoon, a carpet of grass covers the hills. Mulberry, eucalyptus, pine, kikar, shisham and babul are found here. The species of fauna found in the state of Haryana include black buck, nilgai, panther, fox, mongoose, jackal and wild dog. More than 450 species of birds are found here. [137][138][139]

State symbols of Haryana

Formation (Day of separation from Punjab)

State

Black buck^[135]

mammal
State bird
State tree

Black buck[133]
Black francolin
Peepal[135]

State flower Lotus [135]

Wildlife

Haryana has two national parks, eight wildlife sanctuaries, two wildlife conservation areas, four animal and bird breeding centers, one deer park and three zoos, all of which are managed by the Haryana Forest Department of the Government of Haryana. [140][141] Sultanpur National Park is a notable park in Gurgaon District

Environmental and ecological issues

Haryana Environment Protection Council is the advisory committee and the Department of Environment, Haryana is the department responsible for the administration of the environment. Areas of Haryana surrounding <u>Delhi NCR</u> are the most polluted. During the smog of November 2017, the air quality index of Gurgaon



Watercock

and <u>Faridabad</u> showed that the density of <u>fine particulates</u> (2.5 μ m diameter) was an average a score of 400 and the monthly average of Haryana was 60. Other sources of pollution are <u>exhaust gases</u> from old vehicles, <u>stone crushers</u> and brick kilns. Haryana has 7.5 million vehicles, of which 40% are old, more polluting vehicles, and 500,000 new vehicles are added every year. Other majorly polluted cities are Bhiwani, Bahadurgarh, Dharuhera, Hisar and Yamunanagar. [142]

Administration

Divisions

The state is divided into 6 revenue divisions, 5 Police Ranges and 4 Police Commissionerates (c. January 2017). [143][144][145][146] Six revenue divisions are: Ambala, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Hisar, Karnal and Faridabad. [143] Haryana has 11 municipal corporations (Gurgaon, Faridabad, Ambala, Panchkula, Yamunanagar, Rohtak, Hisar, Panipat, Karnal, Sonipat, and Manesar [147]), 18 municipal councils and 52 municipalities. [148]

Within these, there are 22 districts, 72 sub-divisions, 93 tehsils, 50 sub-tehsils, 140 blocks, 154 cities and towns, 6,848 villages, 6,226 villages panchayats and numerous smaller dhanis. [10]

Ten Lok Sabha constituencies in Haryana

Districts

Divisions	Districts
Ambala	Ambala, Kurukshetra, Panchkula, Yamuna Nagar
Faridabad	Faridabad, Palwal, Nuh
Gurgaon	Gurgaon, Mahendragarh, Rewari,
Hisar	Fatehabad, Jind, Hisar, Sirsa,
Rohtak	Jhajjar, Charkhi Dadri, Rohtak, Sonipat, Bhiwani ^[80]
Karnal	Karnal, Panipat, Kaithal

Haryana consists of six divisions comprising 22 districts. Each district is headed by a Deputy Commissioner (DC), an <u>IAS</u> officer who also functions as the District Magistrate (DM) for maintaining law and order and the <u>Collector</u> for land revenue administration.

The districts are further divided into <u>sub-divisions</u> and <u>tehsils</u> for land revenue administration, and into <u>blocks</u> for development administration. The subdivisions and tehsils are headed by Sub-Divisional Magistrates and Tehsildars, respectively.

Law and order

The <u>Haryana Police</u> force is the law enforcement agency of Haryana. <u>Five Police Ranges</u> are Ambala, Hissar, Karnal, Rewari and Rohtak. <u>Five Police Commissionerates</u> are Faridabad, Gurgaon, Panchkula and Sonipat. Cybercrime investigation cell is based in Gurgaon's Sector 51. <u>[150]</u>

The highest judicial authority in the state is the <u>Punjab and Haryana High Court</u>, with the next higher right of appeal being to the <u>Supreme Court of India</u>. Haryana uses an e-filing facility. [151]

Governance and e-governance

The Common Service Centres (CSCs) have been upgraded in all districts to offer hundreds of e-services to citizens, including applications for new water and sanitation connections, electricity bill collection, ration card member registration, the result of HBSE, admit cards for board examinations, online admission forms for government colleges, long route booking of buses, admission forms for Kurukshetra University and HUDA plots status inquiry. Haryana has become the first state to implement Aadhaar-enabled birth registration in all the districts. Thousands of all traditional offline state and central government services are also available 24/7 online through single unified UMANG app and portal as part of Digital India initiative.

Economy

Haryana's $\underline{14th \ placed}$ 12.96% 2012-17 $\underline{CAGR}^{\underline{[11]}}$ estimated a 2017-18 GSDP of US\$95 billion $\underline{^{[8]}}$ split into 52% $\underline{services}$, 30% industries and 18% agriculture. $\underline{^{[8]}}$

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The services sector is split across 45% in real estate and financial and professional services, 26% trade and <u>hospitality</u>, 15% state and central government employees, and 14% transport and logistics & warehousing. [8] In <u>IT</u> services, <u>Gurgaon</u> ranks first in India in growth rate and existing technology infrastructure, and second in <u>startup</u> ecosystem, innovation and livability (Nov 2016). [155]

The industrial sector is split across 69% manufacturing, 28% construction, 2% utilities and 1% mining. In industrial manufacturing, Haryana produces 67% of passenger cars, 60% of motorcycles, 50% of tractors and 50% of the refrigerators in India. $\frac{[8]}{}$



A Shopping Mall in Gurgaon

The service and industrial sectors are boosted by 7 operational \underline{SEZs} and an additional 23 formally approved SEZs (20 already notified and 3 approved in-

principle) that are mostly spread along the <u>Delhi–Mumbai Industrial Corridor</u>, <u>Amritsar Delhi Kolkata Industrial Corridor</u> and Western Peripheral Expressway. [8]

The agricultural sector is split across 93% crops and livestock, 4% commercial forestry and logging, and 2% fisheries. Although Haryana has less than 1.4% of the total area of India, it contributes 15% of food grains to the central food security public distribution system, and makes up 7% of total national agricultural exports, including 60% of total national basmati rice exports.

Agriculture

Crops

Haryana is traditionally an <u>agrarian society</u> of <u>zamindars</u> (owner-cultivator farmers). About 70% of Haryana's residents are engaged in agriculture. The <u>Green Revolution in Haryana</u> of the 1960s combined with the completion of <u>Bhakra Dam</u> in 1963 and Western Yamuna Command Network canal system in 1970s resulted in the significantly increased food grain production. This movement lead to large-scale investments towards improving irrigation systems, enhancing the quality of fertilizers, and investing in superior seeds. As a result, Haryana is self sufficient in food production and the second largest contributor to India's central pool of food grains In 2015–2016, Haryana produced the following principal crops: 13,352,000 tonnes of wheat, 4,145,000 tonnes of rice, 7,169,000 tonnes of sugarcane, 993,000 tonnes of cotton and 855,000 tonnes of oilseeds (mustard seed, sunflower, etc.). In the northeastern area, dairy cattle, buffaloes, and bullocks play a prominent role, being utilised both for agricultural ploughing and as draft animals.



Green farms in Haryana

Fruits, vegetables and spices

Vegetable production was: <u>potato</u> 853,806 tonnes, <u>onion</u> 705,795 tonnes, <u>tomato</u> 675,384 tonnes, <u>cauliflower</u> 578,953 tonnes, <u>leafy vegetables</u> 370,646 tonnes, <u>brinjal</u> 331,169 tonnes, <u>guard</u> 307,793 tonnes, <u>peas</u> 111,081 tonnes and others 269,993 tonnes. [8]

<u>Fruits</u> production was: <u>citrus</u> 301,764 tonnes, <u>guava</u> 152,184 tonnes, <u>mango</u> 89,965 tonnes, <u>chikoo</u> 16,022 tonnes, <u>aonla</u> 12,056 tonnes and other fruits 25,848 tonnes. [8]

Spices production was: garlic 40,497 tonnes, fenugreek 9,348 tonnes, ginger 4,304 tonnes and others 840 tonnes.

Flowers and medicinal plants

 $\underline{\text{Cut flowers}}$ production was: $\underline{\text{marigold}}$ 61,830 tonnes, $\underline{\text{gladiolus}}$ 2,448,620 million, $\underline{\text{rose}}$ 1,861,160 million and other 691,300 million. $\underline{^{[8]}}$

Medicinal plants production was: aloe vera 1403 tonnes and stevia 13 tonnes. [8]

Livestock

Haryana is well known for its high-yield <u>Murrah buffalo</u>. 162][163][164][165] Other breeds of <u>cattle</u> native to Haryana are <u>Haryanvi</u>, Mewati, Sahiwal and Nili-Ravi.

Research

To support its agrarian economy, both the central government (Central Institute for Research on Buffaloes, Central Sheep Breeding Farm, National Research Centre on Equines, Central Institute of Fisheries, National Dairy Research Institute, Regional Centre for Biotechnology, Indian Institute of Wheat and Barley Research and National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources) and the state government (CCS HAU, LUVAS, Government Livestock Farm, Regional Fodder Station and Northern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute) have opened several institutes for research and education. [167][168][169]

Industrial sector

Manufacturing

- Faridabad is one of the biggest industrial cities of Haryana as well as North India. [170] The city is home to large-scale MNC companies like India Yamaha Motor Pvt. Ltd., Havells India Limited, [171] JCB India Limited, Escorts Group, Indian Oil (R&D), [172] and Larsen & Toubro (L&T). [173] Eyewear e-tailer Lenskart and healthcare startup Lybrate have their headquarters in Faridabad. [174][175]
- Hissar, an NCR Counter Magnet city known as a steel and cotton spinning hub as well as an upcoming integrated industrial aerocity and aero MRO hub at Hisar Airport, [176][177][178] is a fast-developing city and the hometown of Navin Jindal and Subhash Chandra of Zee TV fame. Savitri Jindal, Navin Jindal's mother, has been listed by Forbes as the third richest woman in the world. [179]
- Panipat has heavy industry, including a refinery operated by the <u>Indian Oil Corporation</u>, a urea manufacturing plant operated by <u>National Fertilizers</u>
 Limited and a <u>National Thermal Power Corporation</u> power plant. It is known for its woven *modhas* or round stools.
- Sonipat: IMT Kundli, Nathupur, Rai and Barhi are industrial areas with several small and medium-sized enterprises, and also large ones such as Atlas cycles, E.C.E., Birla factory, and OSRAM^{[181][182][183]}
- Gurgaon: IMT Manesar, Dundahera and Sohna are industrial and logistics hubs, [184][185][186] and also has the National Security Guards, the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, the National Brain Research Centre and the National Bomb Data Centre. [187]



Larsen & Toubro Office at Faridabad.



The headquarters of <u>DLF Limited</u>, India's largest real estate company, in Gurgaon, Haryana.

Utilities

Haryana State has always given high priority to the expansion of electricity infrastructure, as it is one of the most important drivers of development for the state.

Haryana was the first state in the country to achieve 100% rural <u>electrification</u> in 1970 as well as the first in the country to link all villages with all-weather roads and provide safe drinking water facilities throughout the state. [188]

Sources of power in the state include:

- Renewable and non-polluting sources
 - Hydroelectricity
 - Bhakra-Nangal Dam Hydroelectric Power Plant
 - WYC Hydro Electric Station, 62.4 MW, Yamunanagar^[189]
 - Solar power stations
 - Faridabad Solar Power Plant: being set up by HPGCL Faridabad (c.2016). [190]
- Nuclear power stations
 - Gorakhpur Nuclear Power Plant, 2800MW, Fatehabad, Phase-I 1400MW by 2021[191][192]

- Coal-fired thermal power stations
 - Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram Thermal Power Station, 600MW, Yamunanagar [189]
 - Indira Gandhi Super Thermal Power Project, 1500MW, Jhajjar^[189]
 - Jhajjar Power Station, 1500MW^[189]
 - Panipat Thermal Power Station I, 440MW^[189]
 - Panipat Thermal Power Station II, 920MW^[189]
 - Rajiv Gandhi Thermal Power Station, 1200MW, Hisar^[189]

Services sector

Transport

Aviation

Roads and highways

Haryana has a total road length of 26,062 kilometres (16,194 mi), including 2,482 kilometres (1,542 mi) comprising 29 national highways, 1,801 kilometres (1,119 mi) of state highways, 1,395 kilometres (867 mi) of Major District Roads (MDR) and 20,344 kilometres (12,641 mi) of Other District Roads (ODR) (c. December 2017). A fleet of 3,864 Haryana Roadways buses covers a distance of 1.15 million km per day, and it was the first state in the country to introduce luxury video coaches. [195]

Ancient Delhi Multan Road and Grand Trunk Road, South Asia's oldest and longest major roads, pass through Haryana. GT Road passes through the districts of Sonipat, Panipat, Karnal, Kurukshetra and Ambala in north Haryana where it enters Delhi and subsequently the industrial town of Faridabad on its way. The 135.6 kilometres (84.3 mi) Kundli-Manesar-Palwal Expressway (KMP) will provide a high-speed link to northern Haryana with its southern districts such as Sonipat, Gurgaon, and Faridabad. [196]



Admin map of Haryana with RTO codes

The Delhi-Agra Expressway (NH-2) that passes through Faridabad is being widened to six lanes from the current four lanes. [197] It will further boost Faridabad's connectivity with Delhi.

Railway

The rail network in Haryana is covered by five rail divisions under three rail zones. <u>Diamond Quadrilateral High-speed rail network, [198] Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor</u> (72 km) and <u>Western Dedicated Freight Corridor</u> (177 km) pass through Haryana.

Bikaner railway division of the North Western Railway zone manages the rail network in western and southern Haryana covering Bhatinda-Dabwali-Hanumangarh line, Rewari-Bhiwani-Hisar-Bathinda line, Hisar-Sadulpur line and Rewari-Loharu-Sadulpur line. [201][202] Jaipur railway division of North Western Railway zone manages the rail network in south-west Haryana covering Rewari-Reengas-Jaipur line, Delhi-Alwar-Jaipur line and Loharu-Sikar line. [203]

The Delhi railway division of the Northern Railway zone manages the rail network in north and east-central Haryana, covering Delhi-Panipat-Ambala line, Delhi-Rohtak-Tohana line, Rewari–Rohtak line, Jind-Sonepat line and Delhi-Rewari line. [204][205][206][207][208] Agra railway division of North Central Railway zone manages another very small part of the network in southeast Haryana covering only the Palwal-Mathura line. [209][210]

Ambala railway division of Northern Railway zone manages a small part of the rail network in north-east Haryana covering Ambala-Yamunanagar line, Ambala-Kurukshetra line and UNESCO World Heritage Kalka–Shimla Railway. [211]

Metro

<u>Delhi Metro</u> connects the national capital Delhi with the NCR cities of <u>Faridabad</u>, <u>Gurgaon</u> and <u>Bahadurgarh</u>. Faridabad has the longest metro network in the NCR Region consisting of 11 stations and a track length of 17 km. [212]

Sky Way

The Haryana and Delhi governments have constructed the 4.5-kilometre (2.8 mi) international standard <u>Delhi Faridabad Skyway</u>, the first of its kind in North India, to connect Delhi and Faridabad. [213]

Communication and media

Haryana has a statewide network of telecommunication facilities. Haryana Government has its own statewide area network by which all government offices of 22 districts and 126 blocks across the state are connected with each other, thus making it the first SWAN of the country. [214][215][216] Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited



Delhi Faridabad Skyway

and most of the leading private sector players (such as Reliance Infocom, <u>Tata Teleservices</u>, <u>Bharti Telecom</u>, <u>Idea Vodafone Essar</u>, <u>Aircel</u>, <u>Uninor</u> and <u>Videocon</u>) have operations in the state. The two biggest cities of Haryana, <u>Faridabad</u> and <u>Gurgaon</u>, which are part of the <u>National Capital Region</u>, come under the local Delhi Mobile Telecommunication System. The rest of the cities of Haryana come under Haryana Telecommunication System.

Electronic media channels include MTV, 9XM, Star Group, SET Max, News Time, NDTV 24x7 and Zee Group. The radio stations include All India Radio and other FM stations.

Panipat, Hisar, Ambala and Rohtak are the cities in which the leading newspapers of Haryana are printed and circulated throughout Haryana, in which <u>Dainik Bhaskar</u>, <u>Dainik Jagran</u>, <u>Punjab Kesari</u>, <u>The Tribune</u>, <u>Aaj Samaj</u>, <u>Hari Bhoomi</u> and Amar Ujala are prominent.

Healthcare

The total fertility rate of Haryana is 2.3. The infant mortality rate is 41 (SRS 2012) and the maternal mortality ratio is 146 (SRS 2010–2012). The state of Haryana has various Medical Colleges including Pandit Bhagwat Dayal Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences Rohtak, Bhagat Phool Singh Medical College in District Sonipat, ESIC Medical College, Faridabad along with notable private medical institutes like Medanta, Max Hospital, Fortis Healthcare



ESIC Medical College, Faridabad

Education

Literacy

The literacy rate in Haryana has seen an upward trend and is 76.64 per cent as per the 2011 population census. Male literacy stands at 85.38%, while female literacy is at 66.67%. In 2001, the literacy rate in Haryana stood at 67.91%, of which males and females were 78.49% and 55.73% literate respectively. [219] As of 2013, Gurgaon city had the highest literacy rate in Haryana at 86.30% followed by Panchkula at 81.9% and Ambala at 81.7%. [220] In terms of districts, as of 2012, Rewari had the highest literacy rate in Haryana at 74%, higher than the national average of 59.5%; male literacy was 79% and female literacy was 67%. [221] In 2011, Haryana's urban literacy rate stood at 84.98%, marking a notable rise from 79.92% in 2001. Similarly, the rural literacy rate in the state experienced an improvement, reaching 68.91% in 2011 compared to 58.74% in 2001. [222]

Schools

<u>Haryana Board of School Education</u>, established in September 1969 and shifted to <u>Bhiwani</u> in 1981, conducts public examinations at middle, matriculation, and senior secondary levels twice a year. Over 700,000 candidates attend annual examinations in February and March; 150,000 attend supplementary examinations each November. The Board also conducts examinations for Haryana Open School at senior and senior secondary levels twice a year. The Haryana government provides free education to women up to the <u>bachelor's degree</u> level.

In 2015–2016, there were nearly 20,000 schools, including 10,100 state government schools (36 Aarohi Schools, 11 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas, 21 Model Sanskriti Schools, 8,744 government primary school, 3386 government middle school, 1,284 government high school and 1,967 government senior secondary schools), [224] 7,635 private schools (200 aided, [225] 6,612

recognised unaided, and 821 unrecognised unaided private schools and several hundred other central government and private schools such as Kendriya Vidyalaya, Indian Army Public Schools, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya and DAV schools affiliated to central government's CBSE and ICSE school boards.

Universities and higher education

Haryana has 48 universities and 1,038 colleges, [228] including 115 government colleges, 88 government-aided colleges and 96 self-finance colleges. [229] Hisar has three universities: Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University — Asia's largest agricultural university, [230] Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology, Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences); several national agricultural and veterinary research centres (National Research Centre on Equines), [231] Central Sheep Breeding Farm, [232] National Institute on Pig Breeding and Research, [233] Northern Region Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute [234] and Central Institute for Research on Buffaloes (CIRB); [235] and more than 20 colleges including Maharaja Agrasen Medical College, Agroba.



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Demographically, Haryana has 471,000 women and 457,000 men pursuing post-secondary school higher education. There are more than 18,616 female teachers and 17,061 male teachers in higher education. [228]

<u>Union Minister</u> <u>Ravi Shankar Prasad</u> announced on 27 February 2016 that the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) would be set up in <u>Kurukshetra</u> to provide computer training to youth and a Software Technology Park of India (STPI) would be set up in <u>Panchkula</u>'s existing HSIIDC IT Park in Sector 23. [237] Hindi and English are compulsory languages in schools whereas Punjabi, Sanskrit and Urdu are chosen as optional languages. [238]

Sports



In the <u>2010 Commonwealth Games</u> at Delhi, 22 out of 38 gold medals that India won came from Haryana. During the 33rd National Games held in <u>Assam</u> in 2007, Haryana stood first in the nation with a medal tally of 80, including 30 gold, 22 silver and 28 bronze medals.

The <u>1983 World Cup</u> winning captain <u>Kapil Dev</u> made his domestic-cricket debut playing for Haryana. <u>Nahar Singh Stadium</u> was built in <u>Faridabad</u> in the year 1981 for international cricket. This ground has the capacity to hold around 25,000 people as spectators. <u>[241]</u> Tejli Sports Complex is an ultra-modern sports complex in <u>Yamuna Nagar</u>. <u>Tau Devi Lal Stadium</u> in <u>Gurgaon</u> is a multi-sport complex. <u>[242]</u>

<u>Chief Minister of Haryana</u>, <u>Manohar Lal Khattar</u> announced the "Haryana Sports and Physical Fitness Policy", a policy to support 26 Olympic sports, on 12 January 2015 with the words "We will develop Haryana as the sports hub of the country." [243][244]

Haryana is home to <u>Haryana Gold</u>, one of India's eight professional basketball teams that compete in the country's <u>UBA Pro</u> Basketball League.

At the <u>2016 Summer Olympics</u>, <u>Sakshi Malik</u> won the bronze medal in the 58 kg category, becoming the first Indian female wrestler to win a medal at the Olympics and the fourth female Olympic medalist from the country.

Notable badminton player Saina Nehwal is from Hisar in Haryana. [245]

Notable athlete Neeraj Chopra, who competes in Javelin Throw and won the first track and field gold medal in 2020 Tokyo Olympics for India, was born and raised in Panipat, Haryana. Wrestling is also very prominent in Haryana, as 2 medals won in wrestling at 2020 Tokyo Olympics were from Haryana.

Notable athlete Ravi Dahiya, who was born in Nahri village of Sonipat District, won silver medal in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics for India.

<u>Ravi Kumar</u> is an Indian freestyle wrestler who won a silver medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics in the 57 kg category. Dahiya is also a bronze medalist from 2019 World Wrestling Championships and a two-time Asian champion.

Notable people

See also

- List of Monuments of National Importance in Haryana
- List of State Protected Monuments in Haryana
- Outline of Haryana
- Politics of Haryana
- Tourism in Haryana
- Haryanvi cinema
- List of earthquakes in Haryana

Notes

- a. 1881 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Gurgaon</u>, <u>Karnal</u>, <u>Hissar</u>, <u>Rohtak</u>, <u>Sirsa</u>, and <u>Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana</u>, <u>Pataudi</u>, <u>Kalsia</u>, <u>Loharu</u>, and <u>Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1881 census data here: [46][47][48]
- b. 1891 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Karnal</u>, and <u>Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana, Pataudi, Kalsia, Loharu</u>, and <u>Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1891 census data here: [49][50][51]
- c. 1901 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar</u>, <u>Rohtak</u>, <u>Gurgaon</u>, <u>Karnal</u>, and <u>Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana</u>, <u>Pataudi</u>, <u>Kalsia</u>, <u>Loharu</u>, and <u>Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1901 census data here: [52]:34
- d. 1911 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Karnal, and Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana, Pataudi, Kalsia, Loharu, and Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1911 census data here: [53]:27[54]:27
- e. 1921 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Karnal, and Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana, Pataudi, Kalsia, Loharu, and Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1921 census data here: [55]:29
- f. 1931 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Karnal, and Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana, Pataudi, Kalsia, Loharu, and Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1931 census data here: [56]:277
- g. 1941 figure taken from <u>census data</u> by combining the total population of all <u>districts</u> (<u>Hissar, Rohtak, Gurgaon, Karnal, and Ambala</u>), and <u>princely states</u> (<u>Dujana, Pataudi, Kalsia, Loharu, and Jind</u>) which are in the region that comprises the contemporary state of Haryana, India. See 1941 census data here: [57]:42
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