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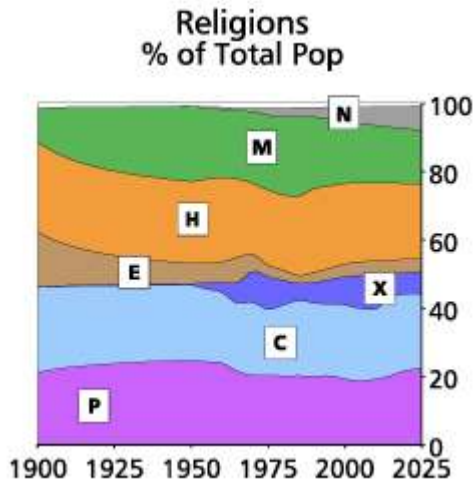
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## Suriname

### Republic of Suriname

Latin America

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### Geography

**Area:** 163,820 sq km

Northeast coast of South America, between Guyana and French Guiana.

**Population:** 524,345    **Annual Growth:** 0.97%

**Capital:** Paramaribo

**Urbanites:** 75.6%

**HDI Rank:** 97 of 182 ([UN Human Development Reports 2009](#))

### Peoples

**Peoples:** 26 (4% unreached) [All peoples](#)  
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*Pray for the Unreached*  
**Jew, Dutch of Suriname**



Country: Suriname  
 People: Jew, Dutch  
 Population: 200  
 World Popl: 31,000  
 Main Language: Dutch  
 Main Religion: Ethnic Religions  
 Status: ■ Least-Reached  
 Christ-Followers: Few, less than 2%  
 Bible: Complete  
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*"Declare his glory among the nations" Psalm 96:3*

**Official language:** Dutch. Trade language Sranan Tongo (a Dutch Creole) **Languages:** 20 [All languages](#)

## Religion

**Largest Religion:** Christian

Religion	Pop %	Ann Gr
<a href="#">Christians</a>	259,918	49.57
<a href="#">Evangelicals</a>	72,235	13.8

## Challenges for Prayer

Less-reached peoples. Pray for these:

- a) The Javanese are predominantly Muslim, but nominally so. New generations of Javanese Christians, across denominations, rise to the challenge of reaching their own people. CMA and IMB now facilitate church planting training and mobilize churches to reach the Javanese. The Suriname Javanese NT was published in 2000, and plans are underway to translate the OT.
- b) The Indian community is only now beginning to respond to the gospel. WT, in partnership with SKS (a Hindustani organization), seeks to see a church within walking distance of every Hindustani. But local congregations are slow on the uptake regarding outreach to this long-neglected group; pray for this partnership to spark greater zeal for ministry among them. Currently, there is no work or witness among Muslims within the Hindustani. Pray that the barriers of prejudice and misunderstanding be removed and the spiritual powers preventing their evangelization be rendered helpless.
- c) Chinese churches are growing and actively joining other local churches and missions to plant more churches among Chinese in the region. CMA and the Moravians are involved in this outreach to the Chinese, who come mostly from the southern coastal provinces of China.

For an additional 5 Challenges for Prayer see Operation World [book, CD-ROM, or DVD-ROM](#).

## More Information

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