Country Facts

Capital city: Port Louis, largest city (main seaport), International airport at Plaisance
Area: 2040 square km, including Rodrigues (104 square km) and other islands (71 square km)
Independence day: 12 March (Independence day)
Population: 1.2 million as of 2000, 97% on Mauritius.
Language: English and French, (both official languages), Creole, Hindi, Urdu, Tamil, Chinese.
Currency: Mauritian rupees (MR)