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*AFRICA, 'Our heritage'*

## OUT OF AFRICA

Whether you are Black, White, Asian, Oriental, mixed race or other; recent DNA and fossilized skulls found in Africa indicates that all humans living today comes from a population that emerged from Africa within the last 200,000 years.

This mighty continent supports a massive number of different life forms, and it has rich deposits of metals and minerals that are vital for our present technological society.

The African people belong to several racial groups that are divided into more than 800 ethnic groups, each with its own language, religion and way of life.

Coming from such diverse groups have helped the people of Africa to survive, integrate and excel in their move and settlement all over the world. The move out of Africa experience can be attributed to:

- Forced Migration due to (devastation by nature, the economics of Slavery; and Wars emanating from crave for power and domination; and differences in culture, religion and ideologies)
- Voluntary migration due to (scarce resources, over population, and a quest for more or better opportunities)

The people of Africa have made significant contributions to the evolution and development of cultures that are now enjoyed in Great Britain and other parts of the world today.

**The table below gives some interesting information about a wide range of African Countries (Figures 1989); STATUS (gives dependency or year of Independence)**

Name	Population	Capital	Official Language	Other Languages	Ethnic Groups (Tribes)	Status
Algeria	24,700,000	Algiers	Arabic	French	Mixwd Arab and Berbers	1962
Angola	9,733,000	Luanda	Portuguese	Mantu languages	Ovimbundu, Mbundu, Kongo, Luanda-Chokwe, Mestinoz(Mixed race). Europeans	1975
Benin	4,585,000	Porto-Novo	French		60 groups, Fons, Adjias, Yorubas, Baribas	1960
Botswana	1,284,000	Gaborone	English	Setswana	Tswana, Bamang-wato, Bushnen,	1966
Burkina Faso	8,894,000	Ouagadougou	French		Voltaic(Mossi, Bobo, Gurunsi, Lobi), Mander(Boussance. Marka. Samo. Senufo). Fulani.	1960
Burundi	5,290,000	Bujumbura	Kirundi,		Hutu, Tutsi, Twa(pygmies), Arabs, Europeans, Asians	1962
Cameroon	10,874,000	Yaound'e	English,	24 African languages	Bamileke, Fulani, Douala, Ewondo, Fang,	1960
Cape Verde	358,000	Praia	Portuguese	Creole	Africans, Mixed(African / Portuguese)	1975
Central African	2,836,000	Bangui	Sango,		Multi-ethnic Africans	1960
Chad	5,529,000	N'Djamena	Arabic,	Sara	Arabs, Multi-ethnic Africans, Toubou, Sara	1960
Comoros	502,000	Moroni	French	Arabic, Swahili	Arabs, Mixed(Africans/Arabs), Africans	1975
Congo	2,117,000	Brazzaville	French		Kongo, Bateke, M'Bochi, Sangha	1960
Djibouti	327,000	Djibouti	Arabic	Afar, Somali	Afars, Issas	1977
Egypt (African)	51,205,000	Cairo	Arabic	Berber	Arabs, Beduoinis,	1922
Equatorial Guinea	389,000	Malabo	Fang,	Fang	Fang, Fernandino, Bubi	1968
Ethiopia	47,709,000	Addis Ababa	Ampharic, Arabic.	70 local, Semitic, Cushitic, Nilo-Saharan. Geez	Semites (Amhara, Tigre, Gurage), Cushites (Afar/Danakil. Somali. Oromo/Galla). Jews (falasha-Fang, Omyeme, Pygmies	Never colonised 1960
Gabon	1,245,000	Libreville	French	Fang	Fang, M'Bochi, Pygmies	1960
Gambia	798,000	Banjul	English	Many African Languages	Mandingo, Fula(or Fulani), Wolof, Serahuli, Jola	1965
Ghana	14,786,000	Accra	English	Many African Languages	Ashanti, Fante, Ewe, Ga, Moshi	1957
Guinea	6,706,000	Conakry	French	Many African Languages	Fulani (or Peul), Malinke, Sopsa,	1958
Guinea-Bissau	929,000	Bissau	Portuguese	Many African Languages	Balante, Fulani, Manjako, Malinke (or Mandingo)	1974
Ivory Coast	11,277,000	Abidjan	French	60 African languages	Akan, Kru, Mandingo, Voltaic	1960
Kenya	23,727,000	Nairobi	Swahili,	Many African Languages	Kikuyu (or Gikuyu), Kalenjin, Kamba, Luhya, Luo	1963
Lesotho	1,686,000	Maseru	Sesotho,		Bosatho (or Basuto),	1966
Liberia	2,494,000	Monrovia	English		Bassa, Kru, Kpelles, Lomas	1847
Libya	4,271,000	Tripoli	Arabic		Arab, Berber, Jews	1951
Madagascar	11,240,000	Antananariv	Malagasy,		Merina (Indonesian descent), African descents	1960
Madeira Islands	258,000	Funchal	Portuguese			Portugal
Malawi	7,928,000	Lilongwe	Chichewa,	Nyanja, Yao, Tumbuka	Chewa(Cewa), Lomwe, Nyanja, Yao, Ngoni(Angoni)	1964
Mali	9,088,000	Bamako	French	Fulani, Bambara	Fulani, Toucouleur, Mandingo, Dogan, Songhai, Voltaic	1960
Mauritania	1,973,000	Nouakchott	Arabic,	Toucouleur	Moors(arabs and Berbers), African descents	1960
Mauritius	1,123,000	Port Louis	English		Descents(European, African Slaves, Chinese, Indian)	1968
Morocco	24,086,000	Rabat	Arabic		Arab, Berbers	1956
Mozambique	15,542,000	Maputo	Portuguese	Bantu languages	Makua-Lomwe and other Bantu groups, Arabs	1975
Namibia (South West Africa)	1,319,000	Windhoek	Afrikaans, English.		Ovambo, Kavango, Caprivians, Damara, Herero, San, Tswana. Basters. Nama	South Africa
Niger	6,894,000	Niamey	French	Kinyarwanda (Bantu)	Hausa, Djerma-Songhai, Kanuri, Fulani	1960
Nigeria	109,408,000	Lagos	English	250 Languages	Hausa, Yoruba, Igbo(Igo), Hausa-Fulani, Nupe,	1960
Reunion	564,000	Saint-Denis	French		Creoles, Indians, Chinese	France
Rwanda	6,939,000	Kigali	Kinyarwan		Hutu(Bahutu), Tutsi(Watutsi), Pygmies	1962
St. Helena Island	7,900	Jamestown	English		Africans, Europeans, Indians	British
Sao Tome and	114,000	Sao Tome	Portuguese		Creoles(african/eropean),	1975
Senegal	7,177,000	Dakar	French	Wolof	Wolof, Fulani(or Fula), Serer, Toucouleur, Diola,	1960
Seychelles	70,000	Victoria	English,		Mixed African European, Chinese, Indian	1976
Sierra Leone	4,021,000	Freetown	English	Many African Languages	Mende, Temne, creoles	1961
Somalia	6,535,000	Mogadishu	Samoli		Samaal, Arabs, Indians, Italians, Pakistans	1960
South Africa	35,839,000	Cape Town; Pretoria	Afrikaans, English	Babtu languages	Africans(Zulu, Xhosa, Sotho, Tswana), Afrikaners(White, dutch, German, French descent),	1931
Sudan	24,188,000	Khartoum	Arabic	100 languages	Arabs, Nubians, Beja, Fur, Blackafrican groups (Dinka, Nuer, Shilluk, Azande)	1956
Swaziland	736,000	Mbabane	SiSwati,		Swazi (black africans)	1968
Tanzania	25,079,000	Dar es	Swahili,		Sukuma, Chagga, Makonde, Nyamwezi, Arabs, Asians	1964
Togo	3,345,000	Lome	French	Ewe	Ewe,	1960
Tunisia	7,729,000	Tunis	Arabic		Arabs, Jews, Berbers	1956
Uganda	16,811,000	Kampala	English		Ganda(Baganda), Karamojong	1962
Western Sahara	180,000	-	Arabic	Many African Languages	(Arabs or Berbers)nomads	Morocco
Zaire	33,797,000	Kinshasa	French	200 local, Bantu, Kikongo, Lingala, Swahili. Tshiluba	Bantu, Pygmies, Multi-ethnic groups.	1960
Zambia	7,643,000	Lusaka	English	8 local, Bantu	70 Ethnic groups	1964
Zimbabwe	10,137,000	Harare	English	Chrishona, Sindebele	Shona(Mashona), Ndebele(Matabele), Whites (Europeans), Asians	1980

***Bexley African Caribbean Community Association (BACCA) has been established since 1984.***

The association provides a forum through which we can be supportive, form links and enrich our social life-style.

***It is our policy that you do not have to be African Caribbean or live in the borough of Bexley to qualify for membership of BACCA***

As a **valued member** of the association, **your mission** will be to help and enhance the aspirations (**educational, financial, business, lifestyle, recreational etc**) of the British African Caribbean Community.

**Membership fees** are renewable annually, at £10 per adult.

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**Apply to our address for your membership application form or you can download a membership application form from the CONTACT US page at our website. New members will be informed of our meeting dates, time and venue on acceptance of their application.**

See our main leaflet 'building fellowship' for details of the aims, objectives and activities of the organisation.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you can be of help to the association

### **2001 CENSUS for London, England.**

The 2001 Census shows that the population of London is as follows.

White British 4,288,193. Irish 220,000. Other white-non-British 595,000.

Indian 426,780. Pakistani 142,724. Other Asian 133,400.

Black African 378,686. Bangladeshi 154,199. Black Caribbean 343,543

Chinese 80,327. Black other 60,245. Others 113,319