



Gujarat

- * **Capital:** Gandhinagar
- * **Date of formation:** May 1, 1960
- * **Languages:** Gujarati
- * **Size:** 1,96,024 sq km
- * **Population:** 6,03,83,628
- * **Sex Ratio:** 919F/1000M
- * **Literacy:** 79.31%
- * **Density:** 308 per sq km
- * **Rivers:** Sabarmati, Mahi, Narmada, Tapti, Banas, Saraswati, Damanganga
- * **Major crops:** Groundnuts, Cotton, Tobacco
- * **Minerals:** Limestone, Salt, Lignite, Amreli
- * **Highest Peak:** Girnar (1145m)
- * **Forests and reserved forest:** Gir, Wild Ass Sanctuary Kutchh, Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary, Velavadar, Vansda
- * **Fairs and festivals:** Navratri, Kite Festival, Shivratri, Kutchh Utsav, Makar Sakranti, Kutch Mahotsav, Tarnetar Fair, Holi
- * **Theatre form:** Bhavai, Akhyana
- * **Major dance and music forms:** Bhavai folk dance, Garba, Raas, Hallisaka
- * **Arts and Crafts:** Gurjari, Garvi, Bandhani or tie and dye fabric; woven Patola fabric; rich embroidery by the Rabari tribals including, Soof embroidery
- * **Museum:** Vadodara Museum, Calico Textile Museum, Sardar Patel Museum, Kite Museum, Kutchh Museum, Sabarmati Ashram, Ahmedabad, Bhuj, Watson Museum, Rajkot,
- * **Cuisine:** Khandvi, Thepla, Dhokla, Handvo, Dhansak
- * **State animal:** Asiatic Lion
- * **State bird:** Greater Flamingo
- * **State flower:** Galgoda
- * **State tree:** Mango
- * **Tourist attractions:** Gir, Somnath, Dwarka & Palitana Temples, Sabarmati Ashram, Champaner Rani ki vav, Sun temple at Modhera, Lothal and Dholavira in Rann of Kutchh

Factoids:

- * Lothal and Dholavira are among the famous towns of the Indus Valley civilization that existed in India.
- * It is possible to climb down the richly carved step-wells or vavs of Gujarat.
- * The ancient fort Uparkot was first built by the Mauryas.

