



Uttarakhand

- * **Capital:** Dehradun
- * **Date of formation:** November 9, 2000
- * **Languages:** Hindi, Garhwali, Kumaoni
- * **Size:** 53,483 sq km
- * **Population:** 1,01,17,000
- * **Sex Ratio:** 963F/1000M
- * **Literacy:** 79.63%
- * **Density:** 189 per sq km
- * **Rivers:** Ganga, Yamuna, Ramganga, Kali
- * **Major crops:** Rice, Wheat, Barley, Jowar, Oilseed
- * **Minerals:** Magnesite, Iron ore, Limestone, Gypsum, Dolomite, Marble, Copper, Rock Phosphate
- * **Highest Peak:** Nanda Devi (7816m)
- * **Forests and reserved forest:** Nanda devi, Rajaji, Corbett Tiger Reserve
- * **Fairs and festivals:** Devidhura Mela, Nanda Devi Mela, Purnagiri Mela, Bhitauli, Phooldei, Ganga Dussehra, Utrayani, Kumbh Mela
- * **Theatre form:** Ramman
- * **Major dance and music forms:** Garhwali folk dance and music
- * **Arts and crafts:** Kholi woodcarving, Aipan or rangoli, Candle making
- * **Museum:** Corbett Museum, Ramnagar
- * **Cuisine:** Aloo Gutke, Kaapa, Jhangora kheer, Chainsoo
- * **State animal:** White Bellied Musk Deer
- * **State bird:** Himalayan Monal or Monale
- * **State flower:** Brahm Kamal
- * **State tree:** Burans
- * **Tourist attractions:** Corbett, Nainital, Almora Valley of flowers, Nanda Devi Park, Char Dham, Chandi Devi temple

Factoids:

- * Kedarnath temple, at a height of 3584 m, is devoted to Shiva.
- * The Kol-Munds, a Dravidian people, were probably the first to live here.

