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COUNTRY PROFILE

1.0. Country Name

The Republic of Somaliland (Jamhuuriyadda Somaliland).

1.1. Total Population

6.5 million (2026)

1.2. Official Languages

Somali, Arabic, English.

1.3. Demonym

Somalilander(s).

1.4. Capital

Hargeisa (alternate spelling: Hargeysa).

1.5. Major Cities

Hargeisa, Burao, Berbera, Borama, Las Anod, and Erigavo.

1.6. Independence

Somaliland officially attained its independence from Britain on June 26, 1960.

1.7. GDP

GDP: \$4.28 billion USD. (2024)
Annual GDP Growth: 2.8% (2024)

1.8. Currency

Somaliland Shilling (SLS).

1.9. Production Export:

Industrial Minerals, Gemstone Production.
Livestock Exports, Hides and Skins, Frankincense.



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WHY INVEST IN SOMALILAND?

Investing in Somaliland offers significant potential for high returns, particularly in key sectors such as agriculture, livestock, fisheries, mining, and energy. The stable political environment and favorable investment incentives make it an attractive destination for investors.



1 100% INVESTMENT OWNERSHIP



2 STRATEGIC LOCATION



3 OPEN MARKET



4 LAND OWNERSHIP & PROPERTY LEASING



5 SECURITY AND TRANSPARENCY



6 INVESTMENT CLIMATE & INCENTIVE



7 NEW FOREIGN INVESTMENTS



8 NATURAL RESOURCES



9 SOUND REGULATORY REFORMS



10 PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP)

INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

Agricultural & Livestock



Fishery & Marine Resources



Oil & Gas



Mining & Mineral Resources



Energy & Renewables



Manufacturing & Industries



Tourism & Hospitality



Education & Technical Institutions



Banking & Finance



Telecommunication & ICT



SOMALILAND LEGAL FRAMEWORK

1. Investment Law

- Tax Holidays
- Customs Duty Exemptions
- Repatriation of Profits
- Protection Against Expropriation

2. Streamlined Investor Registration

- **One Stop Investment Center office:** This dedicated office within the Ministry of Investment and Industrial development streamlines the Investment registration process, making it easier for investors to establish operations. For infrastructural projects to facilitate Investment operations and enhance connectivity.
- **Dispute Resolution:** The Act provides mechanisms for resolving disputes between investors and the government, ensuring fair treatment and legal certainty.

3. Public Private Partnership Law

The Law on PPP Projects starts from Project identification, feasibility analysis, approval, competitive bidding (or justified direct contracting), and performance monitoring. The law also promotes accountability, protects public resources, and ensures mutual benefit, PPP models as:

- Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT)
- Lease-to-Own
- Joint Ventures
- Revenue-sharing and return-based contracts
- Other fit-for-purpose arrangements

4. Industrial Development Law

The Industrial Development Act of Somaliland establishes a modern legal and institutional framework to accelerate industrialization, attract investment, and create employment. Enacted to support Vision 2030 and the National Development Plan III, this law empowers the Ministry of Investment and Industrial Development (MolID) to strategically coordinate, regulate, and expand Somaliland's industrial base.

- Operating in regulated, service-rich zones.
- Attract large-scale manufacturing and technology transfer.
- Boost industrial exports and reduce reliance on imports.
- Promote job creation and inclusive economic growth.