Physical Features of Southwest and Central Asia

- **Mountains and Ranges**
  - K2 (Mt. Godwin Austen) (28,250 ft. 8,611 m)
  - Dead Sea (-1,349 ft. -411 m)
  - Zagros Mountains
  - Hindu Kush
  - Caspian Depression
  - Taurus Mountains
  - Caucasus Mountains
  - Arabian Peninsula
  - Rub al-Khali (Empty Quarter)
  - Syrian Desert
  - Dasht-e Kavir (Great Salt Desert)
  - Trans-Caucasian Uplands
  - Trans-Caspian Uplands
  - Tauric Atlas
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- **Rivers and Lakes**
  - Amu Darya
  - Euphrates R.
  - Indus R.
  - Lake Balkhash
  - Lake Ysyk-Kul
  - Lake Urmia
  - Strait of Hormuz
  - Tigris R.
  - Black Sea
  - Mediterranean Sea
  - Red Sea
  - Persian Gulf
  - Gulf of Oman
  - Aral Sea
  - Gulf of Aden

- **Areas**
  - ANATOLIA PLATEAU
  - ARABIAN PENINSULA
  - ARABIAN SEA
  - CASPIAN SEA
  - CAUCASUS MTS.
  - CASCADIAN COAST
  - FANES-Sennes-Pragelato Mts.
  - ITALIAN ALPS
  - MESSNER MOUNTAIN RANGE
  - MESTRE MOUNTAIN RANGE
  - MEDITERRANEAN MTS.

- **Elevation**
  - Feet: Over 10,000, 5,001–10,000, 2,001–5,000, 1,001–2,000, 0–1,000
  - Meters: Over 3,050, 1,526–3,050, 611–1,525, 306–610, 0–305
  - Below sea level

- **Projections**
  - Lambert Conformal Conic projection

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Climate Zones of Southwest and Central Asia

Climate Zones
- Highlands
- Humid continental
- Humid subtropical
- Mediterranean
- Arid
- Semiarid

Lambert Conformal Conic projection

0 250 500 kilometers

0 250 500 miles
Vegetation Zones of Southwest and Central Asia

Vegetation Zones
- Ice cap
- Highlands
- Desert
- Desert scrub
- Temperate grassland
- Tropical grassland
- Chaparral
- Mixed forest (deciduous and coniferous)
- Coniferous forest

Lambert Conformal Conic projection
Population Density of Southwest and Central Asia

Map showing urban population and population density with color coding.

Legend:
- Urban Population:
  - Over 8,000,000
  - 4,000,000–8,000,000
  - 1,000,000–4,000,000
- Population Density:
  - Over 250
  - 125–250
  - 25–125
  - 2–25
  - 1–10
  - Under 1

Keys:
- Tropic of Cancer
- Lambert Conformal Conic projection
- 0 250 500 kilometers
- 0 250 500 miles

Cities and their approximate populations:
- Jeddah
- Mecca
- Tel Aviv
- Yerevan
- Ankara
- Bursa
- Izmir
- Aleppo
- Damascus
- Adana
- Ankara
- Istanbul
- Amman
- Kuwait City
- Beirut
- Shiraz
- Tabriz
- Mosul
- Baghdad
- Basra
- Mecca
- Sanaa
- Riyadh
- Jeddah
- Tashkent
- Kabul
- Islamabad
- Rawalpindi
- Lahore
- Delhi
- Mumbai
- Hyderabad
- Karachi
- Lahore
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Economic Activity of Southwest and Central Asia

**Land Use Resources**
- Subsistence farming
- Commercial farming
- Nomadic herding
- Livestock raising
- Commercial fishing
- Trade and manufacturing
- Little or no activity

**Resources**
- Coal
- Hydroelectric power
- Iron
- Natural gas
- Petroleum (oil)
- Precious metals (gold, silver, copper)
- Uranium