

# How to Use: CountryWatch

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*CountryWatch is a database that provides specific geopolitical intelligence on each of the 192 countries of the world. It includes current and historical statistics, news and maps. This database can be accessed from any computer connected to the GCC network or via the Internet from home computers. For additional information on connecting to this database from home, please see the handout, "Connecting to GCC Library Databases," available in the main library and Campus Center computer labs or online at <http://www.genesee.edu/library/databases/EZProxyhelp.cfm>.*

## To BEGIN

1. Go to the library web page: <http://www.genesee.edu/library/>
2. Click on **Databases A-Z**
3. Click on **CountryWatch**

## To SEARCH

To find information on a specific country, choose a country from the drop-down box under Shortcut to Country Review or click on Country Review under Features (on the left side of screen).

After you have chosen a specific country you will see (refer to screen on back page):

- A map of the country (click on the link below the map to enlarge it)
- A currency converter
- CountryWire – links to current events articles about the country
- Basic facts about the country (i.e. population statistics, language, currency, etc.)

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On the left side of the screen are links to specific information about the country, such as:

- Country Overview – key data (i.e. population statistics)
- Political Overview – history, political conditions
- Economic Overview – economic conditions, macroeconomic data
- Investment Overview – taxation, stock market information
- Social Overview – people, cultural etiquette, travel guide, health information
- Environmental Overview – current environmental issues such as deforestation, natural hazards that occur in each country

There are several links to many types of information about each country located beneath the Features heading. Some of them include:

- Countrywatch Data – An online statistical database. You can display, cross-tabulate, and download the numeric data in our Country Reviews.
- Countrywatch Maps – Thematic (i.e. life expectancy), and physical/political maps
- Global Guide – a weekly written report of political news stories around the world
- Wire – an international news summary by region

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**Log In Status:** as a GCC student, you are automatically logged in to CountryWatch. There is no need to Log Out during or after your session.

**Click to view more current events articles**

**Click on Country Review (PDF) to find citation info (editor, year, etc.).**

**Country Review (PDF)**

City	Population	Estimated
Manila	11,165,131	2009
Davao	1,627,171	2009
Cebu	821,499	2009

Religion	Percentage
Roman Catholic	83 %
Protestant	9 %
Muslim	5 %
Buddhist and other	3 %

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