

SIERRA LEONE

FACT SHEET

Capital City: Freetown

Population: 5.5 million

Life Expectancy: 45 years

Languages: Official – English
Trade – Krio
Other – 21 local

Currency (money): Leone

Climate: Tropical, hot, humid
Rainy – May to Oct.
Dry – Nov. to Apr.

Literacy Rate: 15%

Educational Opportunities: 1 out of
10 children are able to go to school.



Religions: Muslim – 50%
Christian – 5%
Traditional beliefs – 45%

Land Area: 27,652 square miles (slightly small than
South Carolina)

Number of Television Stations: 2

Number of Internet Service Providers: 1

Agricultural Products: rice, peanuts, coffee, cocoa,
palm kernels and oil

Major Exports: diamonds, rutile, cocoa, coffee, fish

Average Income: \$200 per year

Independence Day (*former British colony*):
April 27, 1961

HIV/AIDS Rate: 5%

Border Countries: Guinea and Liberia

