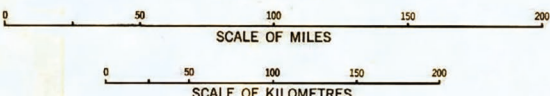




VIETNAM

AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN 1966



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FACTS ABOUT NORTH VIETNAM

POPULATION: 17,800,000
LENGTH: 400 miles
WIDTH: 80 miles (along 20°)
AREA: 63,370 square miles (similar in size to the state of Washington)

TERRAIN
Coast and Harbors: Most of the coast is straight and sand dune lined. North of Haiphong the coast is irregular and rocky. Haiphong is the chief port.
Interior: The rugged uplands of the north and the Annamese Cordillera occupy most of the North Vietnamese area. The flat Red River delta contains the majority of the country's people and is a major rice producer. The vegetation cover is largely tropical rain forest.

WEATHER
North Vietnam experiences warm summers and cool winters. Hanoi's average temperature ranges between 82° in June and 63° in January with an average rainfall of 68 inches for the year. Summer is the season of maximum rainfall.

1954 DEMARCATION LINE, DEMILITARIZED ZONE (DMZ)

FACTS ABOUT SOUTH VIETNAM

POPULATION: 15,715,000
LENGTH: 585 miles
WIDTH: 100 miles (Cambodian border to Nha Trang)
AREA: 65,726 square miles (similar in size to the state of Washington)

TERRAIN
Coast and Harbors: Long stretches of the coast are straight sandy beaches. Saigon, Nha Trang, Qui Nhon and Da Nang are the main ports. Cam Ranh Bay is a deep and well sheltered harbor of great strategic importance.
Interior: The northern portion is dominated by the rugged Annamese Cordillera mountain chain with fertile deltas along the coast. The central area consists of a vast plateau. The south is dominated by the Mekong delta and plains, one of the world's richest rice-growing regions. Tropical rain forest is the chief vegetation form.

WEATHER
The climate is hot and humid with temperatures averaging around 80° throughout the year. The highland areas are somewhat cooler. Saigon's annual rainfall amounts to 79 inches. The summer monsoon winds bring most of the rain.