

Sub-Saharan Africa: Recent Independence Anniversaries & Upcoming Public

African Holidays · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. Which Sub-Saharan African country celebrates its Independence Day on June 30th, commemorating its freedom from Belgium in 1960?

- A) Ghana
- B) Nigeria
- C) Democratic Republic of the Congo**
- D) Kenya

2. Which of the following countries in Sub-Saharan Africa has its Independence Day on July 1st?

- A) South Sudan
- B) Burundi**
- C) Malawi
- D) Rwanda

3. South Sudan, the world's youngest country, celebrates its Independence Day on which date?

- A) July 7
- B) July 9**
- C) July 12
- D) July 15

4. Which Sub-Saharan African nation commemorates its Independence Day on March 6th, having been the first in the region to gain freedom from colonial rule?

- A) Ethiopia
- B) Ghana**
- C) Senegal
- D) Angola

5. Liberia, one of the oldest independent nations in Africa, celebrates its Independence Day on which date?

- A) July 26**
- B) August 1
- C) September 1
- D) October 1

6. Freedom Day in South Africa, commemorating the end of apartheid and the first non-racial democratic elections, is celebrated on which date?

- A) April 21
- B) April 27**
- C) May 1
- D) June 16

7. Which East African country, known for its wildlife safaris, celebrates Jamhuri Day (Independence Day) on December 12th?

- A) Tanzania
- B) Uganda
- C) Kenya**
- D) Rwanda

8. In June 2026, which of these countries will observe a public holiday on June 16th, often associated with Youth Day?

- A) Nigeria
- B) South Africa**
- C) Ghana
- D) Ethiopia

9. Which West African country celebrates its Independence Day on August 3rd, having gained freedom from France?

- A) Mali
- B) Niger**
- C) Burkina Faso
- D) Benin

10. Malawi celebrates its Independence Day, also known as Republic Day, on which date?

- A) June 30
- B) July 1
- C) July 6**
- D) August 1