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Mongolia Traditional Tea

This woman is drinking traditional Mongolian milk tea. To make it, water is boiled with dried tea leaves, then milk and salt are added. Customarily, milk tea is offered when guests enter a *ger* (yurt). Most Mongolians drink copious amounts of milk tea in a day. The type of milk added varies, depending on the animal giving milk at the time. While in Mongolia I drank milk tea made from camel, goat, reindeer, cow and yak milk.

The Mongolian woman in this photo is wearing a traditional *dell*, silk on the outside and during the winter, lined with sheepskin. In the summer the *dell* is lined with cotton material. Mongolian women often wrap their heads with scarves, for everyday wear and for special occasions. --Shelly Kremer, *Peace Corps/Mongolia, 2001-03*

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Capital Ulaanbaatar

Population 3,041,142 (2009 est.)

Life Expectancy 67.65 years

Literacy 97.8% (age 15 and over can read and write)

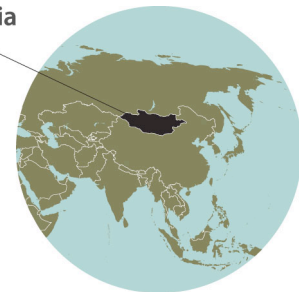
Languages Khalkha Mongol 90%, Turkic, Russian

Religions Buddhist Lamaist 50%, Shamanist and Christian 6%, Muslim 4%, none 40%

Government parliamentary

Source: *The World Factbook, 2009*

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