

LAOS (PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC)



M	D	HOLIDAYS
1	1	New Year's Day
1	20	Army Day
3	8	International Women's Day
3	22	Day of the People's Party
4	13-15	Lao New Year (Pi Mai) *
5	1	Labour Day
5	2	Buddha Day (Vesak)
6	1	Children's Day
7	**	Khao Pansa (Buddhist Fast begins)
8	15	Constitution Day
10	**	Bouk Ok Pansa (Buddhist Fast ends)
10	7	Teacher's Day
10	12	Day of Liberation
12	2	National Day
12	13	Kaysone Phomvihans's Birthday

CAPITAL	VIENTIANE
CURRENCY	LAO KIP
POPULATION	6,300,000 (2005)
TIME ZONE (GMT)	+7
SUMMER TIME (GMT)	NONE
COUNTRY CODE	856
GDP:	US\$2.5 billion (2005)

Religion:

The majority of the Lao people are Buddhists. The Laos-Lum (Valley Laos) people follow the Hinayana (Theravada) form of Buddhism. The religions of the Laos-Theung (Laos of the mountain tops) range from traditional Confucianism to animism and Christianity.

- * Variations may occur.
- ** Dates to be confirmed.

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