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The Mediterranean coastal plain: A fertile (and mostly flat) coastal plain fronts the Mediterranean Sea coastline of Israel. It is about 115 miles (185 km) long and is quite narrow. Several sandy beaches dot the coast.

Israel (officially, State of Israel) is divided into 6 administrative districts (mehozot, sing. mehoz). In alphabetical order these districts are: Central, Haifa, Jerusalem, Northern, Southern and Tel Aviv. The districts are further divided into 15 subdistricts (nafot) and a number of smaller subdivisions.

Located on a plateau in the Judaen Mountains, between the Mediterranean Sea and the Dead Sea, is Jerusalem - the capital and largest city of Israel. Jerusalem is regarded as a sacred city by the Christians, Jews and Muslims. Tel Aviv, located in central Israel, is the country's economic and technological center.

Israel is a Middle East country, situated in Western Asia. It is located in the Northern and Eastern hemispheres of the Earth. Israel is bordered by Lebanon in the north, Syria in the northeast, Jordan in the east, Egypt in the southwest; the Palestinian territories (West Bank and Gaza Strip) in the east and west. Israel is situated on the South eastern coasts of the Mediterranean Sea and the northern coasts of the Red Sea.

Geography - note Lake Tiberias (Sea of Galilee) is an important freshwater source; the Dead Sea is the second saltiest body of water in the world (after Lake Assal in Djibouti); there are about 355 Israeli civilian sites including about 145 small outpost communities in the West Bank, 41 sites in the Golan Heights, and 32 in East Jerusalem

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