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Zimbabwe's progress in reproductive, maternal, and child health has stagnated in recent years. According to a 2010 Demographic and Health Survey, contraceptive use, the number of births attended by skilled practitioners, and child mortality have either stalled or somewhat deteriorated since the mid-2000s. Zimbabwe's government entered a second Staff Monitored Program with the IMF in 2014 and undertook other measures to reengage with international financial institutions. Zimbabwe elected Robert Gabriel Mugabe as the country's first prime minister in 1980. Mugabe became president in 1987 after changes to the constitution created an executive presidency; he remained in power for 37 years. The U.S. Government works to promote Zimbabwe's democratic and economic recovery following years of decline, and to highlight opportunities for trade and investment that will benefit U.S. and Zimbabwean businesses alike. Zimbabwe, landlocked country of southern Africa. It shares a 125-mile (200-km) border on the south with the Republic of South Africa and is bounded on the southwest and west by Botswana, on the north by Zambia, and on the northeast and east by Mozambique. The capital is Harare. Devil's Cataract, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Jeremy Woodhouse/Getty Images. Zimbabwe Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc. The land. Relief. Zimbabwe lies almost entirely over 1,000 feet (300 metres) above sea level. Zimbabwe (/zɪˈmˌbʊweɪ, -wi/), officially the Republic of Zimbabwe, is a landlocked country located in Southern Africa, between the Zambezi and Limpopo Rivers, bordered by South Africa, Botswana, Zambia and Mozambique. The capital and largest city is Harare. The second largest city is Bulawayo. A country of roughly 14 million people, Zimbabwe has 16 official languages, with English, Shona, and Ndebele the most common.