### **Economies of Southwest Asia**



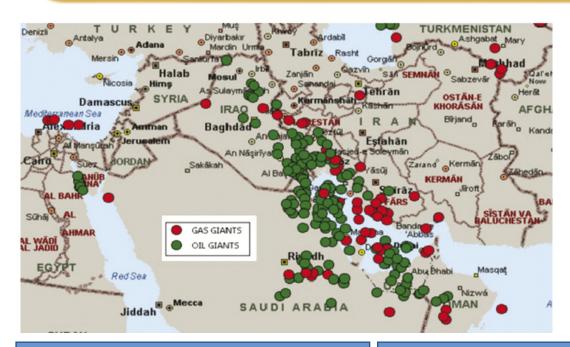
## 4.1 Oil and Southwest Asia

Use the map below to answer the corresponding questions.

Some regions in the world are like "Gas Giants". These places are known for having lots of gas in the ground, just like the helium gas we use for balloons or the gas in stovetops. These regions are often referred to as "Natural Gas Producers."

Some regions in the world are like "Oil Giants". These are places that are famous for having something called "oil" deep underground. Oil is like the juice for our cars, trucks, and machines. It's also used to make things like plastic, crayons, and even some toys. These regions are often referred to as "Oil Producers".

The region of Southwest Asia is like a treasure chest because it has both "Gas Giants" and "Oil Giants". Many countries here are really good at finding and using gas and oil.



Which countries have the most oil?

Which countries have the most gas?

How do you think access to oil impacts most southwest Asian countries?

Why is it important for "oil giants" and "gas giants" to share their resources?





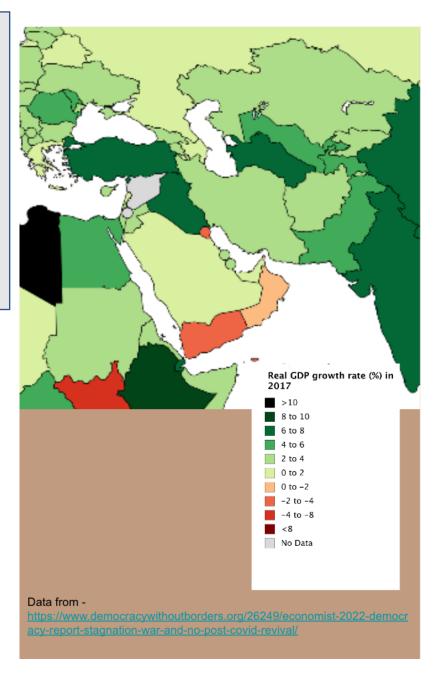
## 4.2 Economic Growth in Southwest Asia

The Map to the right measures "Real GDP Growth Rate". The higher the number (darker shade of green), the faster an economy is growing. The lower the number (darker shade of orange or red), the faster an economy is declining. Economic growth typically means a country is getting wealthier and more people are getting jobs. Use the map to the right to answer the following questions.

According to the map which countries are growing the fastest?

According to the map which countries are declining the fastest?

Locate Syria and Yemen. Why do you think these countries have poor economic data?



### 4.3 Economy of Israel

After reviewing the resource, answer the question below.

In a few sentences describe the economy of Israel.



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4.4 The Economy of the United Arab Emirates
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After you review the resource, answer the questions below.
Why is trade so profitable in Dubai?
How much of the world's oil reserves are in Abu Dhabi?
Rather than using oil, what is Dubai's economy based on?
4.5 The Economy of Afghanistan After you review the resource, answer the questions below.
What is the current state of employment in Afghanistan?
How do you think being absent from school will impact the children's future?
How did watching this video make you feel about the kids and their lives?
4.6 The Economy of Turkey After you review the resource, answer the question below.
In a few sentences describe the current state of the Turkish economy. What challenges do they face?







<b>4.7 OPEC</b> After you finish the video, answer the questions below
Who is part of OPEC? (Countries)
What is the main goal of OPEC?
Who does OPEC benefit?
4.8 Compare and Contrast the Economies of Southwest Asia  Answer the following question in paragraph form. Ensure to discuss at least 3 different countries in your answer.
Compare and contrast the economies of Southwest Asia.



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