



# Sao Tome and Principe



## Intellectual Property Profile



### Basic Geo-economic Indicators (2007)

Area (sq. km)	960
Population (millions)	0.16
Total GDP (US\$ billions)	0.14
Total GNI (US\$ billions)	0.14
Per capita GNI (US\$)	870
Adult literacy rate (%;2006)	87.5

### National Focal Points (2009)

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### National Legislation of Intellectual Property Rights (as of April 2009)

Legislation/Regulations	Year
Copyright and Related Rights	
Trademarks	
Geographical Indications	
Industrial Designs	
Patents	
Layout-Designs (Topographies) of Integrated Circuits	
Protection of Undisclosed Information	
Control of Anti-Competitive Practices in Contractual Licences	
Collective Management Society	

### Intellectual Property Related National Legislation (as of April 2009)

Legislation/Regulations	Year
Foreign Direct Investment	
Science and Technology	
Social Folk Custom	
Performing Folk Arts	
Oral Literature/Verbal Art	
Folk Songs	

### Accession to WIPO Convention and Conventions Administered by WIPO (as of April 2009)

Conventions	Year of accession
<b>WIPO</b>	<b>1998</b>
<b>Paris (Industrial Property)</b>	<b>1998</b>
Berne (Literary and Artistic Works)	
Madrid (Registration of Marks)	
<b>Madrid Protocol</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Hague (Deposit of Industrial Designs)</b>	<b>2008</b>
Nice (Classification of Goods and Services)	
Lisbon (Appellations of Origin)	
Rome (Protection of Performers)	
Locarno (Classification of Industrial Designs)	
<b>Washington (PCT)</b>	<b>2008</b>
Strasbourg (International Patent Classification)	
Phonograms Convention	
Vienna (Classification of Figurative Elements of Marks)	
Brussels Convention (Satellites)	
Budapest (Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure)	
Nairobi (Olympic Symbol)	
Film Register Treaty	
Trademark Law Treaty	
WIPO Copyright Treaty	
Performances and Phonograms Treaty	