

Nigeria has **36 states** plus the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja. This table lists every state and capital in Nigeria with its official slogan and current governor, in tabular form — verified against official sources and kept up to date at <https://currentaffairs.ng/state/>.

#	State	Capital	Slogan	Governor
1	Abia	Umuahia	<i>God's Own State</i>	Alex Otti
2	Adamawa	Yola	<i>Land of Beauty</i>	Ahmadu Umaru Fintiri
3	Akwa Ibom	Uyo	<i>Land of Promise</i>	Umo Eno
4	Anambra	Awka	<i>Light of the Nation</i>	Charles Soludo
5	Bauchi	Bauchi	<i>Pearl of Tourism</i>	Bala Mohammed
6	Bayelsa	Yenagoa	<i>Glory of All Lands</i>	Douye Diri
7	Benue	Makurdi	<i>Food Basket of the Nation</i>	Hyacinth Alia
8	Borno	Maiduguri	<i>Home of Peace</i>	Babagana Zulum
9	Cross River	Calabar	<i>The People's Paradise</i>	Bassey Otu
10	Delta	Asaba	<i>The Big Heart</i>	Sheriff Oborevwori
11	Ebonyi	Abakaliki	<i>Salt of the Nation</i>	Francis Nwifuru
12	Edo	Benin City	<i>Heartbeat of The Nation</i>	Monday Okpebholo
13	Ekiti	Ado-Ekiti	<i>Land of Honour and Integrity</i>	Biodun Oyebanji
14	Enugu	Enugu	<i>Coal City State</i>	Peter Mbah
15	Gombe	Gombe	<i>Jewel of the Savannah</i>	Muhammad Inuwa Yahaya
16	Imo	Owerri	<i>Eastern Heartland</i>	Hope Uzodimma
17	Jigawa	Dutse	<i>The New World</i>	Umar Namadi
18	Kaduna	Kaduna	<i>The Centre of Learning</i>	Uba Sani
19	Kano	Kano	<i>Centre of Commerce</i>	Abba Kabir Yusuf
20	Katsina	Katsina	<i>Home of Hospitality</i>	Dikko Umar Radda
21	Kebbi	Birnin Kebbi	<i>Land of Equity</i>	Nasir Idris
22	Kogi	Lokoja	<i>The Confluence State</i>	Ahmed Usman Ododo
23	Kwara	Ilorin	<i>State of Harmony</i>	AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq
24	Lagos	Ikeja	<i>Centre of Excellence</i>	Babajide Sanwo-Olu
25	Nasarawa	Lafia	<i>Home of Solid Minerals</i>	Abdullahi Sule
26	Niger	Minna	<i>The Power State</i>	Mohammed Umar Bago
27	Ogun	Abeokuta	<i>Gateway State</i>	Dapo Abiodun
28	Ondo	Akure	<i>Sunshine State</i>	Lucky Aiyedatiwa
29	Osun	Osogbo	<i>Land of Virtue</i>	Ademola Adeleke
30	Oyo	Ibadan	<i>Pace Setter State</i>	Seyi Makinde
31	Plateau	Jos	<i>Home of Peace and Tourism</i>	Caleb Mutfwang
32	Rivers	Port Harcourt	<i>Treasure Base of the Nation</i>	Siminalayi Fubara
33	Sokoto	Sokoto	<i>Seat of the Caliphate</i>	Ahmad Aliyu

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34	Taraba	Jalingo	<i>Nature's Gift to the Nation</i>	Agbu Kefas
35	Yobe	Damaturu	<i>Pride of the Sahel</i>	Mai Mala Buni
36	Zamfara	Gusau	<i>Farming is Our Pride</i>	Dauda Lawal

What about Abuja (FCT)?

The **Federal Capital Territory (Abuja)** — slogan “Centre of Unity” — is not a state. It is administered by a minister appointed by the President (currently the FCT Minister, Nyesom Wike), not an elected governor. Counting the FCT alongside the 36 states gives Nigeria 37 federating units.

The six newest states — Bayelsa, Ebonyi, Ekiti, Gombe, Nasarawa and Zamfara — were created on 1 October 1996. No new state has been created since.

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