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# Gujarati in Iran



There are significant Gujarati communities in 27 nations of the world, and that includes Iran. Wherever they are, whether it is their native India or Iran, Gujaratis have maintained their own culture. They are resourceful businessmen. Muslim Gujarati women are required to wear veils, and they are often isolated in their homes. Muslim Gujarati families usually arrange marriages as a way to strengthen alliances between families. They often despise the Gujarati Hindus because of historical and religious differences.

## Ministry Obstacles

Close families and clans make it difficult to penetrate their cultural and social structure. Women are particularly hard to reach with their restrictive and isolated lifestyle.

## Outreach Ideas

Since the Gujarati men are mainly involved in trade and stores, they should be much easier to reach for Christ. Business-minded believers will probably be the best ones to befriend Gujarati businessmen and introduce them to the Savior.

## Prayer Focus

Pray for God to put it on the heart of Christ-following businessmen to



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POPULATION: 36,000

LANGUAGE: Gujarati

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

befriend Gujarati businessmen and lead them to His abundant blessings. Pray for God to open the door of opportunity for Christian women to get to know Gujarati women, invite them to their homes and show them the way to his abundant life. Pray for radio broadcasts for Gujarati-speaking women.

**SCRIPTURE** Then the Lord reached out His hand and touched my mouth and said to me, “I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.” Jer 1:9-10

**PRAY** for Christ’s ambassadors to be careful to speak only what God tells them to say when they go to the nations.

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