

# Second Administrative Level Boundaries



## STATE OF MAPPING AND EVOLUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARIES IN CAMEROON

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## MISSIONS AND STRATEGY

## STATE OF MAPPING IN CAMEROON

## EVOLUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARIES

## PERSPECTIVES





- **Missions and strategy**

- Carrying out work related to mapping and remote sensing
- Coordinate geographical research throughout the territory

## **Active partnership with the private sector**

- In data collection (aerial photography, satellite imagery, digital reproduction ...)
- Data retention and security (large capacity servers)
- Development of computer applications (automation of map production procedures)





## ▪ State of Mapping in Cameroon

### ➤ From the colonial era until 2016

Basic map 1/200 000 (44 sheets)

At 1/50 000 (360 sheets)

### In 2017

- The basic map is at 1/25 000 (elaboration in progress)
- Topographic database at 1/10 000
- Cartographic database at 1/25 000
- Orthophotos
- A precise digital terrain model
- The 35 cm aerial photographs of RVBI (RGB IR) multi spectral resolution

A geoid model under construction

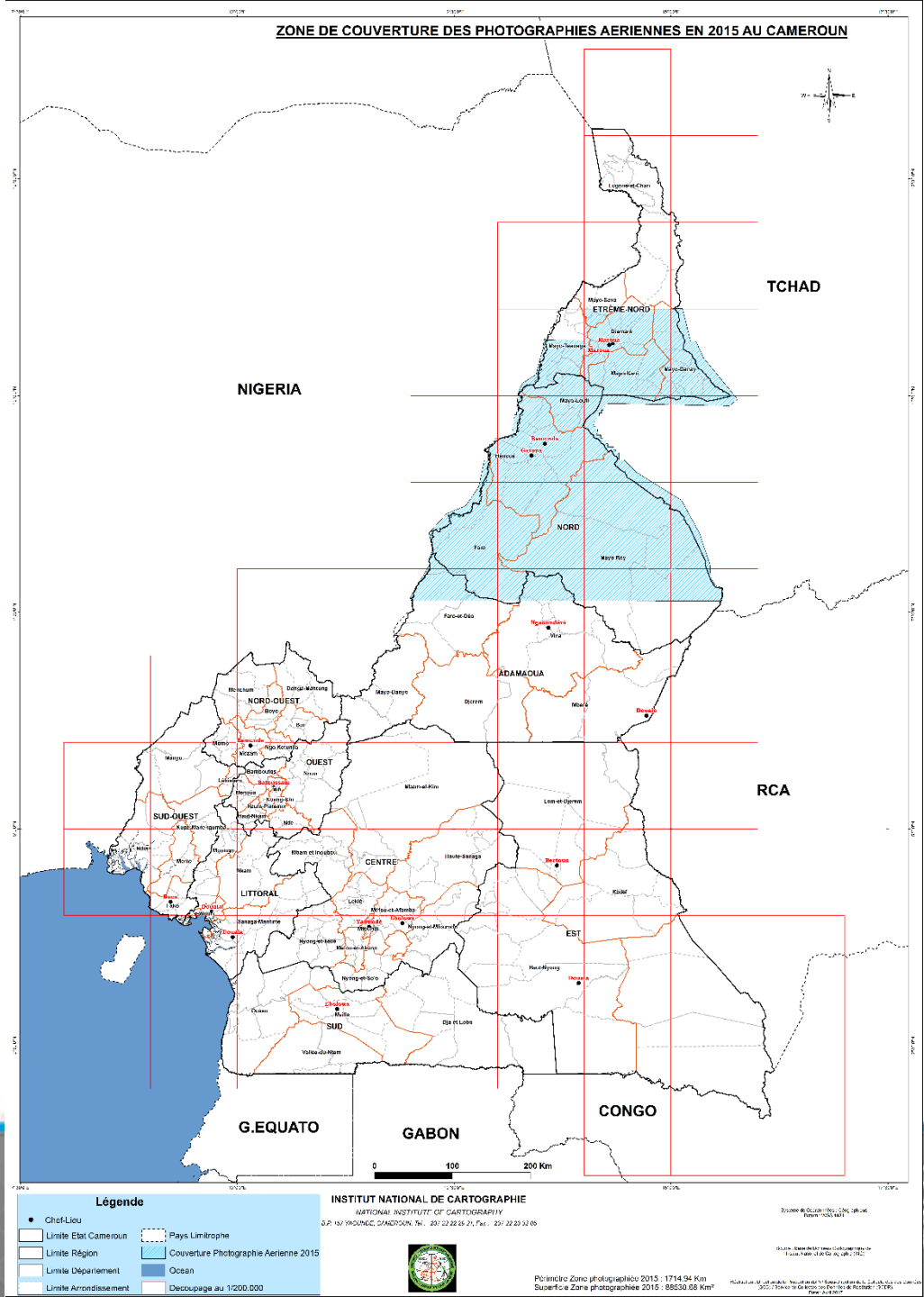


Area covered by aerial  
photography of 35 cm  
resolution in 2015  
80,000 km<sup>2</sup>

photogrammetric  
restitution area 38 000 km<sup>2</sup>

Coverage in 2017  
80,000 km<sup>2</sup>

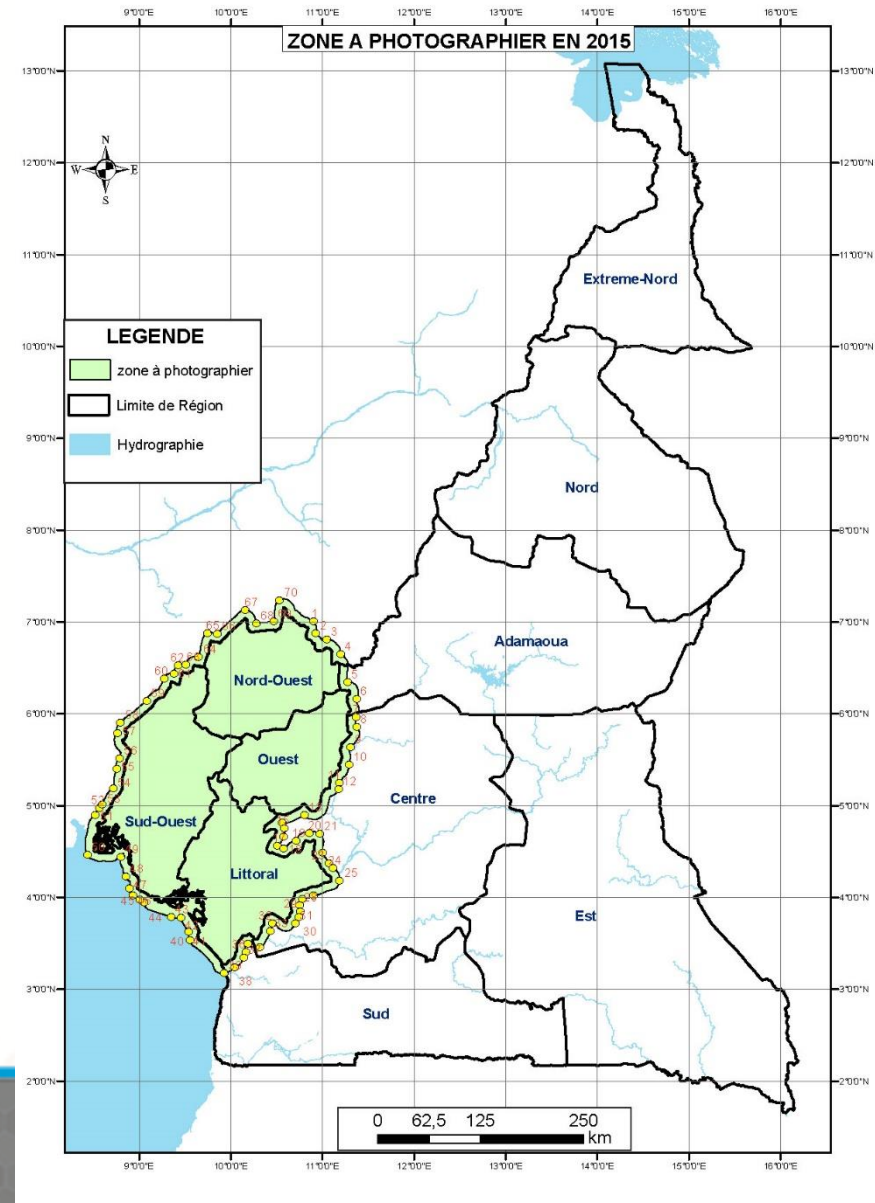
Remaining area  
315,400 km<sup>2</sup>



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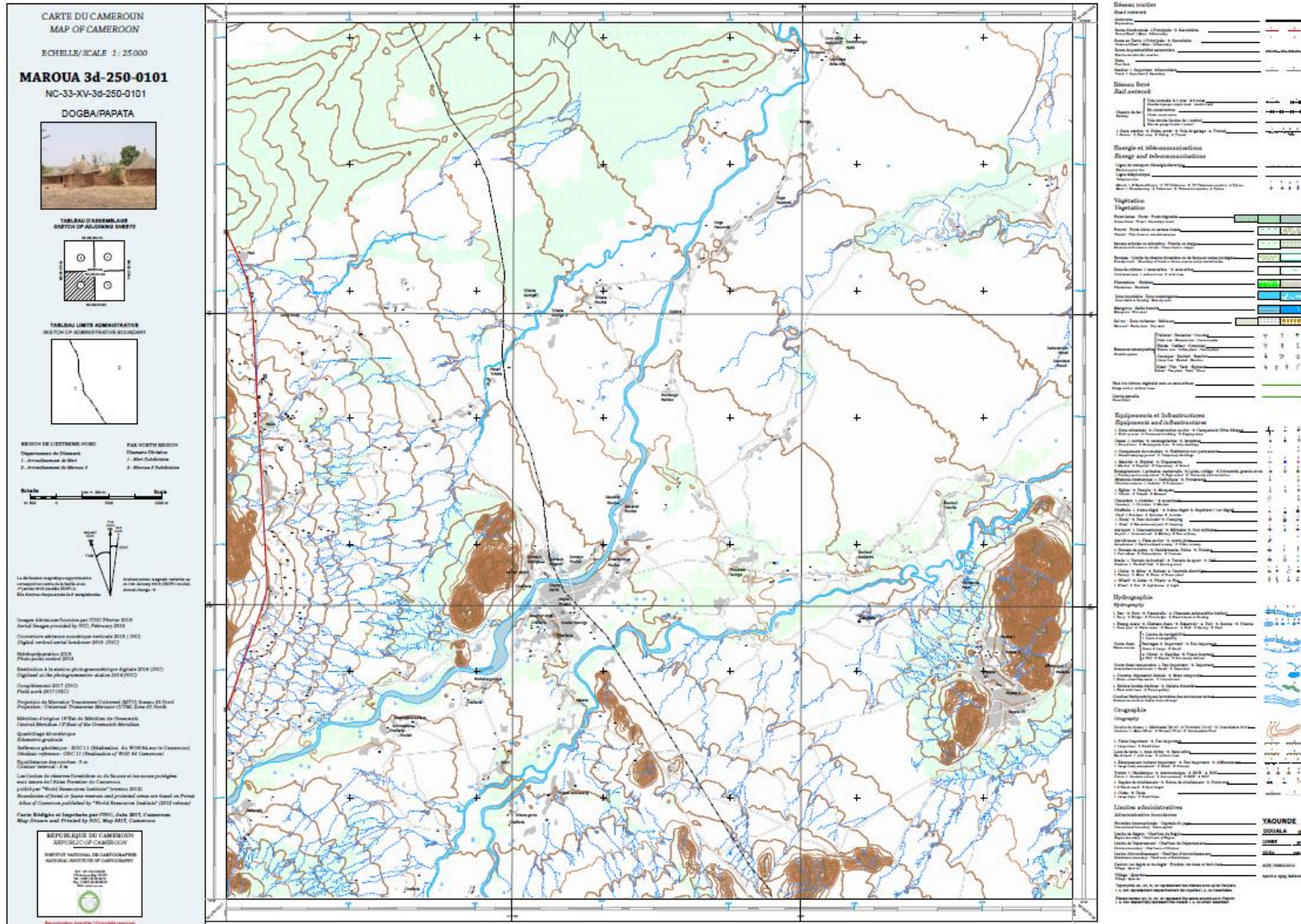


80 000 km<sup>2</sup>  
being covered





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## ▪ Evolution of Administrative Boundaries

- Cameroon is subdivided into 58 departments.
- The departments are subdivided into 360 districts or municipalities





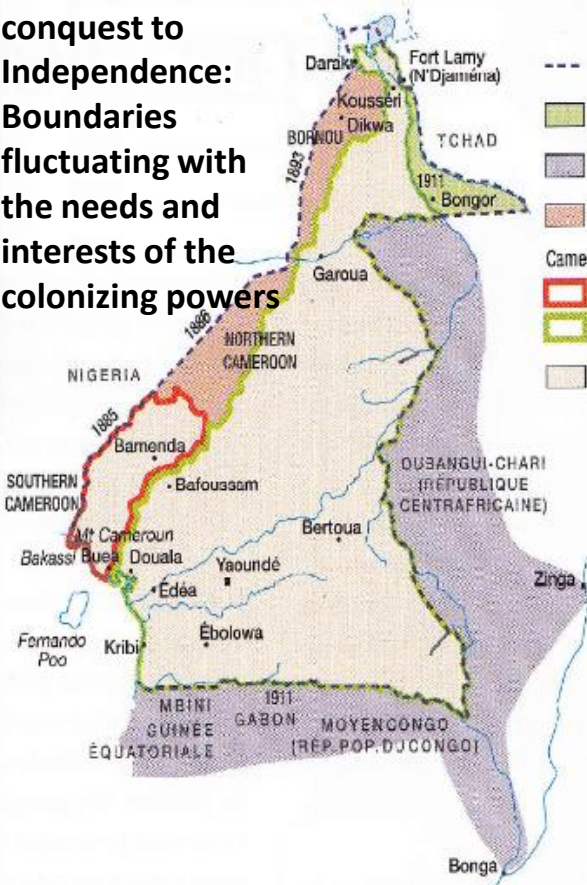
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## The colonial period

## The post-independence period

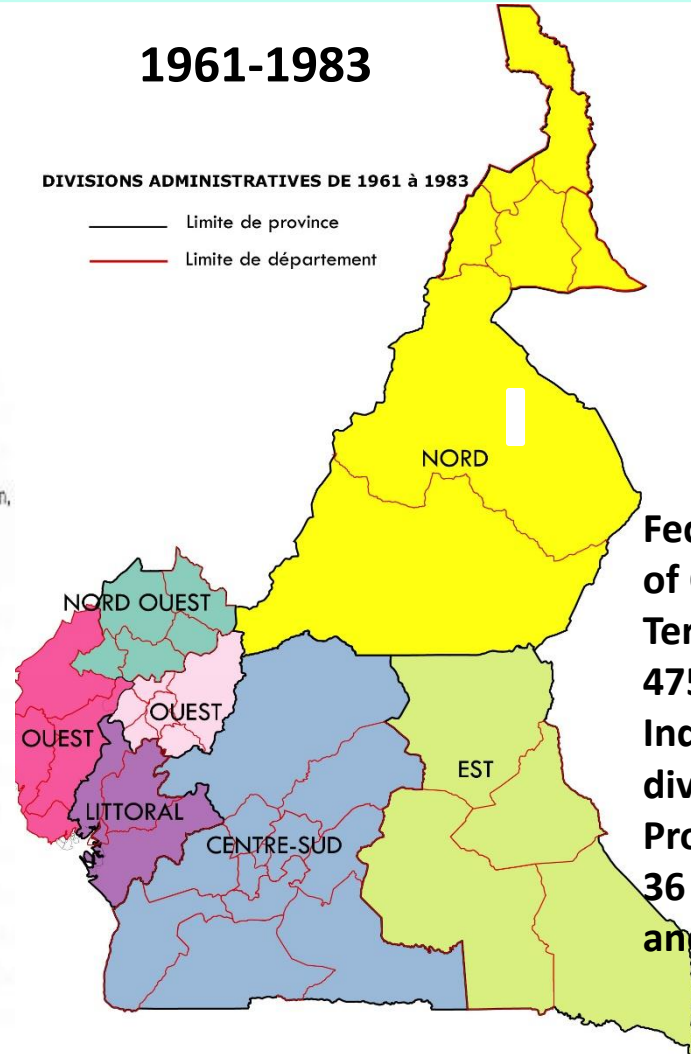
From the German conquest to Independence: Boundaries fluctuating with the needs and interests of the colonizing powers



- Cameroun allemand avant 1911
- « Bec de canard » (cession de l'Allemagne à la France, 1908)
- Cession de la France à l'Allemagne (1911)
- Tutelle britannique jusqu'en 1961
- Cameroun fédéral (Rép. féd. du Cameroun) en 1961
- Cameroun occidental : anglophone
- Cameroun oriental : francophone
- Cameroun actuel, République unie du Cameroun, 20 mai 1972

## 1961-1983

### DIVISIONS ADMINISTRATIVES DE 1961 à 1983



**Federal Republic of Cameroon:**  
 Territory of 475,442 Km<sup>2</sup> in Independence, divided into 7 Provinces and 36 departments and 39 in 1975

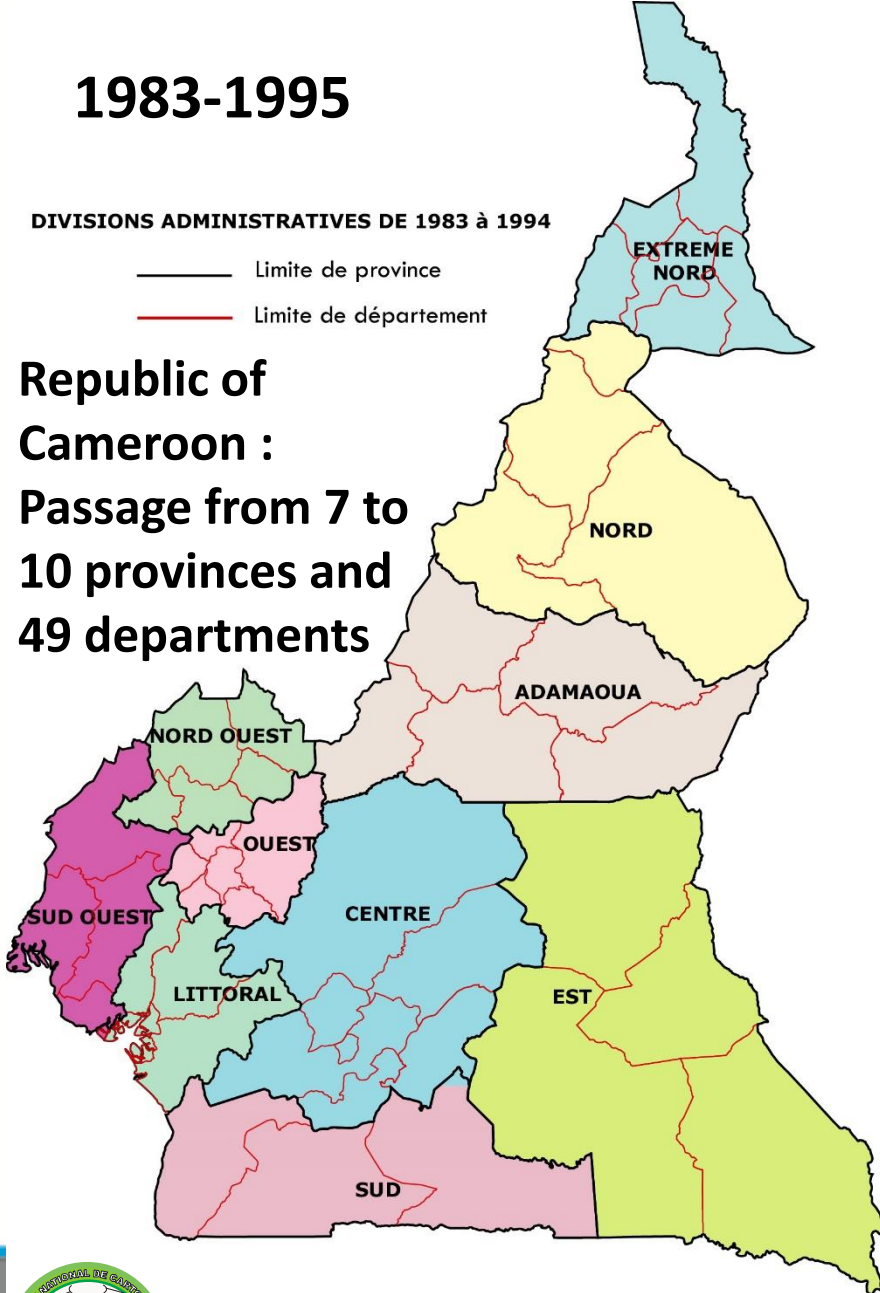


# 1983-1995

DIVISIONS ADMINISTRATIVES DE 1983 à 1994

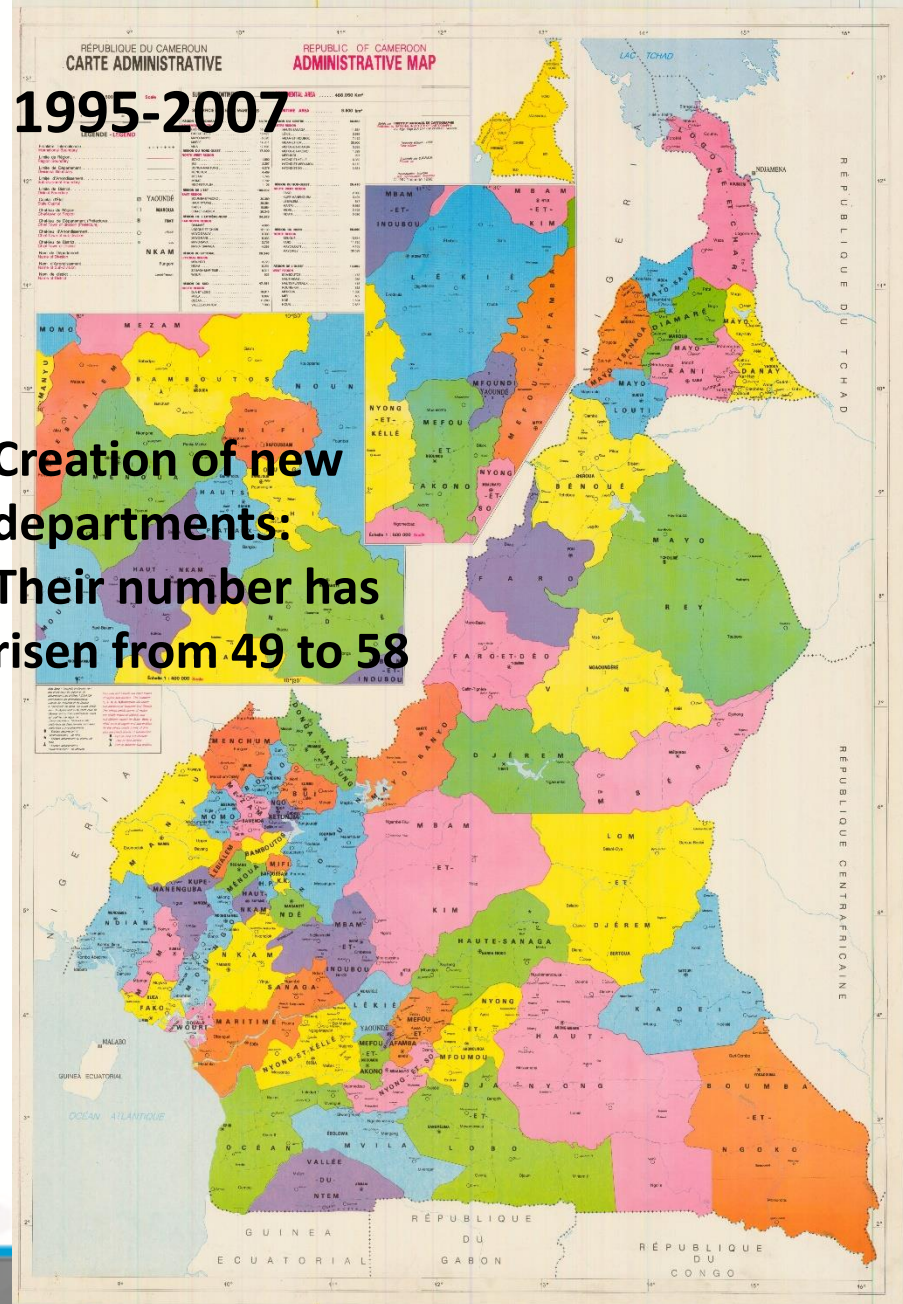
- Limite de province
- Limite de département

Republic of Cameroon :  
 Passage from 7 to 10 provinces and 49 departments

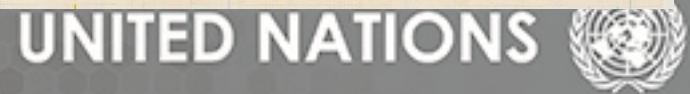


# 1995-2007

Creation of new departments:  
 Their number has risen from 49 to 58



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## ■ Perspectives

- Continue the search for partners to finance the production of the basic topographic map in the medium term
- Strengthening production capacities
- Facilitate access to data and information available in the country's various sectors of activity for effective local, regional and national development planning





## ▪ Perspectives on SALB

- Easy-to-use standards
- Supports advocacy of our office through ministries (Note Verbale)
- Provision of reliable geographic information for the global agenda
- Allows through platform/initiative to disseminate geospatial information and be visible at international level





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