



Early Muslim Empires
622-750

Extent of the Muslim Empire

- Under Muhammad, 622-632
- Rashidun Caliphate, 632-661
- Umayyad Caliphate, 661-750

0 500 1000 miles
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- 1** 622 Muhammad and his followers move to Yathrib (Medina), establish first Muslim government.
- 2** 656 Caliph Ali moves capital to Kufa.
- 3** 661 Muawiyah ibn Abi Sufyan moved the capital to Damascus.
- 4** 750 The Abbasids overthrow the Umayyads. The empire splinters.