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# Chapter 1

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### 1.1 160.guide

Texified version of data for Midway Islands.

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Midway Islands

### 1.2 160.guide/Midway Islands

Midway Islands

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Header (Midway Islands)  
Geography (Midway Islands)  
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### 1.3 160.guide/Header (Midway Islands)

Header (Midway Islands)  
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Affiliation:  
    (territory of the US)

### 1.4 160.guide/Geography (Midway Islands)

Geography (Midway Islands)  
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Location:  
    located in the North Pacific Ocean, 2,350 km west-northwest of Honolulu,  
    about one-third of the way between Honolulu and Tokyo

Map references:  
    Oceania

Area:  
    total area:  
        5.2 km<sup>2</sup>  
    land area:  
        5.2 km<sup>2</sup>  
    comparative area:  
        about nine times the size of the Mall in Washington, DC

note:  
    includes Eastern Island and Sand Island

Land boundaries:  
    0 km

Coastline:  
    15 km

Maritime claims:  
    contiguous zone:  
        24 nm  
    continental shelf:  
        200 m (depth)  
    exclusive economic zone:  
        200 nm

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territorial sea:  
12 nm  
International disputes:  
none  
Climate:  
tropical, but moderated by prevailing easterly winds  
Terrain:  
low, nearly level  
Natural resources:  
fish, wildlife  
Land use:  
arable land:  
0% permanent crops:  
0%  
meadows and pastures:  
0%  
forest and woodland:  
0%  
other:  
100%  
Irrigated land:  
0 km2  
Environment:  
coral atoll  
Note:  
closed to the public

## 1.5 160.guide/People (Midway Islands)

People (Midway Islands)  
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Population:  
no indigenous inhabitants; note - there are 453 US military personnel

## 1.6 160.guide/Government (Midway Islands)

Government (Midway Islands)  
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Names:  
conventional long form:  
none  
conventional short form:  
Midway Islands  
Digraph:  
MQ  
Type:

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unincorporated territory of the US administered by the US Navy, under command of the Barbers Point Naval Air Station in Hawaii and managed cooperatively by the US Navy and the Fish and Wildlife Service of the US Department of the Interior as part of the National Wildlife Refuge System; legislation before Congress in 1990 proposed inclusion of territory within the State of Hawaii

Capital:

none; administered from Washington, DC

Flag:

the US flag is used

## 1.7 160.guide/Economy (Midway Islands)

### Economy (Midway Islands)

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Overview:

The economy is based on providing support services for US naval operations located on the islands. All food and manufactured goods must be imported.

Electricity:

supplied by US Military

## 1.8 160.guide/Communications (Midway Islands)

### Communications (Midway Islands)

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Highways:

32 km total

Pipelines:

7.8 km

Ports:

Sand Island

Airports:

total:

3

usable:

2

with permanent-surface runways:

1

with runways over 3,659 m:

0

with runways 2,440-3,659 m:

0

with runways 1,220-2,439 m:

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## 1.9 160.guide/Defense Forces (Midway Islands)

Defense Forces (Midway Islands)  
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Note:  
defense is the responsibility of the US