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Chapter 1

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1.1 123.guide

Texified version of data for Jersey.

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Jersey

1.2 123.guide/Jersey

Jersey

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1.3 123.guide/Header (Jersey)

Header (Jersey)
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Affiliation:
 (British crown dependency)

1.4 123.guide/Geography (Jersey)

Geography (Jersey)
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Location:
 Western Europe, 27 km from France in the English Channel
Map references:
 Europe
Area:
 total area:
 117 km2
 land area:
 117 km2
 comparative area:
 about 0.7 times the size of Washington, DC
Land boundaries:
 0 km
Coastline:
 70 km
Maritime claims:
 exclusive fishing zone:
 200 nm
 territorial sea:
 3 nm
International disputes:
 none
Climate:
 temperate; mild winters and cool summers
Terrain:

gently rolling plain with low, rugged hills along north coast

Natural resources:

- agricultural land

Land use:

- arable land:
 - 57%
- permanent crops:
 - NA%
- meadows and pastures:
 - NA%
- forest and woodland:
 - NA%
- other: NA%

Environment:

- about 30% of population concentrated in Saint Helier

Note:

- largest and southernmost of Channel Islands

1.5 123.guide/People (Jersey)

People (Jersey)
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Population:

- 85,450 (July 1993 est.)

Population growth rate:

- 0.7% (1993 est.)

Birth rate:

- 12.79 births/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Death rate:

- 10.23 deaths/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Net migration rate:

- 4.42 migrant(s)/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Infant mortality rate:

- 4.7 deaths/1,000 live births (1993 est.)

Life expectancy at birth:

- total population:
 - 76.4 years
- male:
 - 73.28 years
- female:
 - 79.86 years (1993 est.)

Total fertility rate:

- 1.42 children born/woman (1993 est.)

Nationality:

- noun:
 - Channel Islander(s)
- adjective:
 - Channel Islander

Ethnic divisions:

- UK and Norman-French descent

Religions:

- Anglican, Roman Catholic, Baptist, Congregational New Church, Methodist,

Presbyterian
 Languages:
 English (official), French (official), Norman-French dialect spoken in
 country districts
 Literacy:
 total population:
 NA%
 male:
 NA%
 female:
 NA%
 Labor force:
 NA

1.6 123.guide/Government (Jersey)

Government (Jersey)

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Names:
 conventional long form:
 Bailliwick of Jersey
 conventional short form:
 Jersey
 Digraph:
 JE
 Type:
 British crown dependency
 Capital:
 Saint Helier
 Administrative divisions:
 none (British crown dependency)
 Independence:
 none (British crown dependency)
 Constitution:
 unwritten; partly statutes, partly common law and practice
 Legal system:
 English law and local statute
 National holiday:
 Liberation Day, 9 May (1945)
 Political parties and leaders:
 none; all independents
 Suffrage:
 universal adult at age NA
 Elections:
 Assembly of the States:
 last held NA (next to be held NA); results - no percent of vote by party
 since all are independents; seats - (56 total, 52 elected) 52 independents
 Executive branch:
 British monarch, lieutenant governor, bailiff
 Legislative branch:
 unicameral Assembly of the States
 Judicial branch:

Royal Court
 Leaders:
 Chief of State:
 Queen ELIZABETH II (since 6 February 1952)
 Head of Government:
 Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief Air Marshal Sir John SUTTON
 (since NA 1990); Bailiff Sir Peter J. CRILL (since NA)
 Member of:
 none
 Diplomatic representation in US:
 none (British crown dependency)
 US diplomatic representation:
 none (British crown dependency)
 Flag:
 white with the diagonal red cross of Saint Patrick (patron saint of Ireland ↔
)
 extending to the corners of the flag

1.7 123.guide/Economy (Jersey)

Economy (Jersey)

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Overview:

The economy is based largely on financial services, agriculture, and tourism. Potatoes, cauliflower, tomatoes, and especially flowers are important export crops, shipped mostly to the UK. The Jersey breed of dairy cattle is known worldwide and represents an important export earner. Milk products go to the UK and other EC countries. In 1986 the finance sector overtook tourism as the main contributor to GDP, accounting for 40% of the island's output. In recent years the government has encouraged light industry to locate in Jersey, with the result that an electronics industry has developed alongside the traditional manufacturing of knitwear. All raw material and energy requirements are imported, as well as a large share of Jersey's food needs.

National product:

GDP \$NA

National product real growth rate:

8% (1987 est.)

National product per capita:

\$NA

Inflation rate (consumer prices):

8% (1988 est.)

Unemployment rate:

NA%

Budget:

revenues \$308.0 million; expenditures \$284.4 million, including capital expenditures of \$NA (1985)

Exports:

\$NA

commodities:

light industrial and electrical goods, foodstuffs, textiles

partners:

UK
 Imports:
 \$NA
 commodities:
 machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods, foodstuffs, mineral
 fuels, chemicals
 partners:
 UK
 External debt:
 \$NA
 Industrial production:
 growth rate NA%
 Electricity:
 50,000 kW standby capacity (1992); power supplied by France
 Industries:
 tourism, banking and finance, dairy
 Agriculture:
 potatoes, cauliflowers, tomatoes; dairy and cattle farming
 Economic aid:
 none
 Currency:
 1 Jersey pound (#J) = 100 pence
 Exchange rates:
 Jersey pounds (#J) per US\$1 - 0.6527 (January 1993), 0.5664 (1992), 0.5652
 (1991), 0.5603 (1990), 0.6099 (1989), 0.5614 (1988); the Jersey pound is at
 par with the British pound
 Fiscal year:
 1 April - 31 March

1.8 123.guide/Communications (Jersey)

Communications (Jersey)
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Ports:
 Saint Helier, Gorey, Saint Aubin
 Airports:
 total:
 1
 useable:
 1
 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:
 1
 Telecommunications:
 63,700 telephones; broadcast stations - 1 AM, no FM, 1 TV; 3 submarine
 cables

1.9 123.guide/Defense Forces (Jersey)

Defense Forces (Jersey)

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Note:

defense is the responsibility of the UK