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Chapter 1

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1.1 124.guide

Texified version of data for Johnston Atoll.

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Header (Johnston Atoll)
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Affiliation:
 (territory of the US)

1.4 124.guide/Geography (Johnston Atoll)

Geography (Johnston Atoll)
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Location:
 in the North Pacific Ocean, 1,430 km west-southwest of Honolulu, about
 one-third of the way between Hawaii and the Marshall Islands
Map references:
 Oceania
Area:
 total area:
 2.8 km²
 land area:
 2.8 km²
 comparative area: about 4.7 times the size of the Mall in Washington, DC
Land boundaries:
 0 km
Coastline:
 10 km
Maritime claims:
 contiguous zone:
 24 nm
 continental shelf:
 200 m or depth of exploitation
 exclusive economic zone:
 200 nm
 territorial sea:
 12 nm
International disputes:

none
 Climate:
 tropical, but generally dry; consistent northeast trade winds with little
 seasonal temperature variation
 Terrain:
 mostly flat with a maximum elevation of 4 meters
 Natural resources:
 guano (deposits worked until about 1890)
 Land use:
 arable land:
 0%
 permanent crops:
 0%
 meadows and pastures:
 0%
 forest and woodland:
 0%
 other:
 100%
 Irrigated land:
 0 km2
 Environment:
 some low-growing vegetation
 Note:
 strategic location in the North Pacific Ocean; Johnston Island and Sand
 Island are natural islands; North Island (Akau) and East Island (Hikina) ←
 are
 manmade islands formed from coral dredging; closed to the public; former
 nuclear weapons test site; site of Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal
 System (JACADS)

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People (Johnston Atoll)
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Population:
 no indigenous inhabitants; note - there are 1,400 US Government personnel
 and contractors

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Government (Johnston Atoll)
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Names:
 conventional long form:
 none

conventional short form:
 Johnston Atoll
 Digraph:
 JQ
 Type:
 unincorporated territory of the US administered by the US Defense Nuclear Agency (DNA) and managed cooperatively by DNA and the Fish and Wildlife Service of the US Department of the Interior as part of the National Wildlife Refuge system
 Capital:
 none; administered from Washington, DC
 Diplomatic representation in US:
 none (territory of the US)
 Flag:
 the flag of the US is used

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Economy (Johnston Atoll)

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Overview:

Economic activity is limited to providing services to US military personnel and contractors located on the island. All food and manufactured goods must be imported.

Electricity:

supplied by the management and operations contractor

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Communications (Johnston Atoll)

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Airports:

total:

1

usable:

1

with permanent-surface runways:

1

with runways over 3,659 m:

0

with runways 2,440 to 3,659 m:

1 with TACAN and beacon

with runways 1,220 to 2,439 m:

0

Telecommunications:

excellent system including 60-channel submarine cable, Autodin/SRT terminal ↔

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digital telephone switch, Military Affiliated Radio System (MARS station), commercial satellite television system, and UHF/VHF air-ground radio

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Defense Forces (Johnston Atoll)

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Note:

defense is the responsibility of the US