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Chapter 1

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1.1 99.guide

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1.2 99.guide/Guernsey

Guernsey

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1.3 99.guide/Header (Guernsey)

Header (Guernsey)
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Affiliation:
 (British crown dependency)

1.4 99.guide/Geography (Guernsey)

Geography (Guernsey)
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Location:
 in the English Channel, 52 km west of France between UK and France
Map references:
 Europe
Area:
 total area:
 194 km2
 land area:
 194 km2
 comparative area:
 slightly larger than Washington, DC
note:
 includes Alderney, Guernsey, Herm, Sark, and some other smaller islands
Land boundaries:
 0 km
Coastline:
 50 km
Maritime claims:
 exclusive fishing zone:
 200 nm
 territorial sea:
 3 nm
International disputes:
 none
Climate:

temperate with mild winters and cool summers; about 50% of days are overcast ←

Terrain:
 mostly level with low hills in southwest

Natural resources:
 cropland

Land use:
 arable land:
 NA%
 permanent crops:
 NA%
 meadows and pastures:
 NA%
 forest and woodland:
 NA%
 other:
 NA%

Irrigated land:
 NA km2

Environment:
 large, deepwater harbor at Saint Peter Port

1.5 99.guide/People (Guernsey)

People (Guernsey)

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Population:
 63,075 (July 1993 est.)

Population growth rate:
 1.02% (1993 est.)

Birth rate:
 13.1 births/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Death rate:
 10.08 deaths/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Net migration rate:
 7.23 migrant(s)/1,000 population (1993 est.)

Infant mortality rate:
 6.7 deaths/1,000 live births (1993 est.)

Life expectancy at birth:
 total population:
 77.96 years
 male:
 75.27 years
 female:
 80.68 years (1993 est.)

Total fertility rate:
 1.66 children born/woman (1993 est.)

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

Ethnic divisions:
 UK and Norman-French descent
 Religions:
 Anglican, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, Methodist
 Languages:
 English, French; Norman-French dialect spoken in country districts
 Literacy:
 total population:
 NA%
 male: NA%
 female:
 NA%
 Labor force:
 NA

1.6 99.guide/Government (Guernsey)

Government (Guernsey)

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Names:
 conventional long form:
 Bailiwick of Guernsey
 conventional short form:
 Guernsey
 Digraph:
 GK
 Type:
 British crown dependency
 Capital:
 Saint Peter Port
 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; justice is administered by the Royal Court
 National holiday:
 Liberation Day, 9 May (1945)
 Political parties and leaders:
 none; all independents
 Suffrage:
 18 years of age; universal
 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 - (60 total, 33 elected), all ←
 independents
 Executive branch:
 British monarch, lieutenant governor, bailiff, deputy 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 Lt. Gen. Sir Michael WILKINS
 (since NA 1990); Bailiff Mr. Graham Martyn DOREY (since February 1992)
 Member of:
 none
 Diplomatic representation in US:
 none (British crown dependency)
 US diplomatic representation: none (British crown dependency)
 Flag:
 white with the red cross of Saint George (patron saint of England) ↔
 extending
 to the edges of the flag

1.7 99.guide/Economy (Guernsey)

Economy (Guernsey)

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Overview:
 Tourism is a major source of revenue. Other economic activity includes
 financial services, breeding the world-famous Guernsey cattle, and growing
 tomatoes and flowers for export.
 National product:
 GDP - \$NA
 National product real growth rate:
 9% (1987)
 National product per capita:
 \$NA
 Inflation rate (consumer prices):
 7% (1988)
 Unemployment rate:
 NA%
 Budget:
 revenues \$208.9 million; expenditures \$173.9 million, including capital
 expenditures of \$NA (1988)
 Exports:
 \$NA
 commodities:
 tomatoes, flowers and ferns, sweet peppers, eggplant, other vegetables
 partners:
 UK (regarded as internal trade)
 Imports:
 \$NA
 commodities:
 coal, gasoline, and oil
 partners:
 UK (regarded as internal trade)

External debt:
 \$NA
 Industrial production:
 growth rate NA%
 Electricity:
 173,000 kW capacity; 525 million kWh produced, 9,060 kWh per capita (1992)
 Industries:
 tourism, banking
 Agriculture:
 tomatoes, flowers (mostly grown in greenhouses), sweet peppers, eggplant,
 other vegetables, fruit; Guernsey cattle
 Economic aid:
 none
 Currency:
 1 Guernsey (#G) pound = 100 pence
 Exchange rates:
 Guernsey pounds (#G) per US\$1 - 0.6527 (January 1993), 0.5664 (1992), ↔
 0.5652
 (1991), 0.5603 (1990), 0.6099 (1989), 0.5614 (1988); note - the Guernsey
 pound is at par with the British pound
 Fiscal year:
 calendar year

1.8 99.guide/Communications (Guernsey)

Communications (Guernsey)

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Ports:
 Saint Peter Port, Saint Sampson
 Airports:
 total:
 2
 useable:
 2
 with permanent-surface runways:
 2
 with runways over 3,659 m:
 0
 with runways 2,440-3,659 m:
 0
 with runways 1,220-2,439 m:
 1
 Telecommunications:
 broadcast stations - 1 AM, no FM, 1 TV; 41,900 telephones; 1 submarine ↔
 cable

1.9 99.guide/Defense Forces (Guernsey)

Defense Forces (Guernsey)
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Note:
defense is the responsibility of the UK