

Guam (USA)



1. General Information

Population ^{*1}	157,557 (July 2001 est.)
Population density ^{*1} [/km ²]	287
Languages ^{*1}	English, Chamorro, Japanese
Ethnic Groups ^{*1}	Chamorro 47%, Filipino 25%, white 10%, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and other 18%
Climate ^{*1}	tropical marine; generally warm and humid, moderated by northeast trade winds; dry season from January to June, rainy season from July to December; little seasonal temperature variation
Land Area ^{*1} [km ²]	549

Comments for General information ^{*1}

Guam was ceded to the US by Spain in 1898. Captured by the Japanese in 1941, it was retaken by the US three years later. The military installation on the island is one of the most strategically important US bases in the Pacific.

2. Economy

GDP ^{*1} [US\$]	3.2 billion (2000 est.)	
GDP-per capita ^{*1} [US\$]	21,000 (2000 est.)	
Imports ^{*1} [US\$]	203 million (f.o.b., 1999 est.)	
	petroleum and petroleum products, food, manufactured goods	
Exports ^{*1} [US\$]	75.7 million (f.o.b., 1999)	
	mostly transshipments of refined petroleum products; construction materials, fish, food and beverage products	
Composition of Industry ^{*1} (Ratio to GDP)	Agriculture & Fishery [%]	NA
	Industry [%]	15 (1993)

	Service [%]	NA
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Comments for Economy ^{*1}

The economy depends on US military spending, tourism, and the export of fish and handicrafts. Total US grants, wage payments, and procurement outlays amounted to \$1 billion in 1998. Over the past 20 years, the tourist industry has grown rapidly, creating a construction boom for new hotels and the expansion of older ones. More than 1 million tourists visit Guam each year. The industry has recently suffered setbacks because of the continuing Japanese slowdown; the Japanese normally make up almost 90% of the tourists. Most food and industrial goods are imported. Guam faces the problem of building up the civilian economic sector to offset the impact of military downsizing.

3. Energy

Electricity	Electricity production ^{*1} [kWh]		800 million
	Electricity consumption ^{*1} [kWh]		744 million
	Electricity- production by source ^{*1}		Fossil fuel: 100%; hydro: 0%; nuclear: 0%; other: 0% (1999)
Energy Resources	Production	Oil	NA (ton)
		Coal	NA (ton)
		Gas	NA (ton)
	Consumption	Oil	NA (ton)
		Coal	NA (ton)
		Gas	NA (ton)

Comments for Energy

4. Water

Precipitation ^{*2}		3547.4 mm	
Internal renewable Water Resources		NA	
Population with Access to Improved Water Supply		NA	
Total Water Withdraw	NA	Industry [%]	NA
		Domestic [%]	NA
		Agriculture [%]	NA

Comments for Water

5. Environment and Population

CO ₂ Emission ^{*3}	Total metric tons	4,137 (thousand tons of carbon)
	Metric tons per capita	0.85 (thousand tons of carbon)

Comments for Environment

References

*1 <http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook>

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