

GUAM









GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Joseph R. BIDEN, Jr.

Head of Government

Governor Lourdes LEON GUERRERO

Government Type

republican form of government with separate executive, legislative, and judicial branches; unincorporated organized territory of the US with local self-government

Capital

Hagatna

Legislature

unicameral Legislature of Guam or Liheslaturan Guahan (15 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court of Guam (consists of 3 justices); note - appeals beyond the Supreme Court of Guam are referred to the US Supreme Court

Ambassador to US

none (territory of the US)

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none (territory of the US)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 544 sq km Land: 544 sq km Water: 0 sq km

Climate

tropical marine; generally warm and humid, moderated by northeast trade winds; dry season (January to June), rainy season (July to December); little seasonal temperature variation

Natural Resources

aquatic wildlife (supporting tourism), fishing (largely undeveloped)

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

US national defense spending is the main driver of Guam's economy, followed closely by tourism and other services; National defense spending cushions the island's economy against fluctuations in tourism

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$5.793 billion (2016 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$35,600 (2016 est.)

Exports

\$1.124 billion (2016 est.) partners: Palau 13.6% (2017)

Imports

\$2.964 billion (2016 est.)

partners: Singapore 41.7%, Japan 30.6%, Hong Kong 10.6%

(2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

168,800 (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth

0.2% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity

Chamorro 37.3%, Filipino 26.3%, white 7.1%,

Chuukese 7%, Korean

2.2%, other Pacific Islander 2%, other Asian 2%, Chinese 1.6%, Palauan 1.6%, Japanese 1.5%, Pohnpeian 1.4%, mixed 9.4%, other 0.6% (2010 est.)

Language

English 43.6%, Filipino 21.2%, Chamorro 17.8%, other Pacific island languages 10%, Asian languages 6.3%, other 1.1% (2010 est.)

Religion

Roman Catholic 85%, other 15% (1999 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 94.9% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 0.92% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

