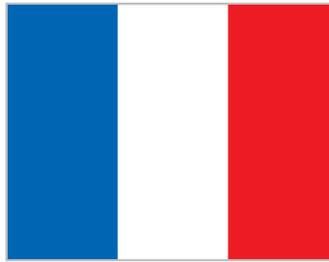


# FRENCH SOUTHERN AND ANTARCTIC LANDS



## GOVERNMENT

### Chief of State

President Emmanuel MACRON

### Head of Government

represented by Prefect Cecile POZZO DI BORGIO

### Government Type

overseas territory of France

### Capital

none (overseas territory of France); the Southern Lands are now divided into five administrative districts, two of which are archipelagos, Iles Crozet and Iles Kerguelen; the third is a district composed of two volcanic islands, Ile Saint-Paul and Ile Amsterdam; the fourth, Iles Eparses, consists of five scattered tropical islands around Madagascar

### Legislature

none (overseas territory of France)

### Judiciary

the laws of France, where applicable, apply

### Ambassador to US

none (overseas territory of France)

### US Ambassador

none (overseas territory of France)

## GEOGRAPHY

### Area

see WFB for areas of each island

### Climate

**Ile Amsterdam et Ile Saint-Paul:** oceanic with persistent westerly winds and high humidity;

**Iles Crozet:** windy, cold, wet, and cloudy;

**Iles Kerguelen:** oceanic, cold, overcast, windy; **Iles Eparses:** tropical

### Natural Resources

fish, crayfish, note, Glorioso Islands and Tromelin Island (Iles Eparses) have guano, phosphates, and coconuts

## ECONOMY

### Economic Overview

economic activity is limited to servicing meteorological and geophysical research stations, military bases, and French and other fishing fleets; the fish catches landed on Iles Kerguelen by foreign ships are exported to France and Reunion

### GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

NA

### GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

NA

### Exports

NA

### Imports

NA

## PEOPLE & SOCIETY

### Population

**Ile Amsterdam (Ile Amsterdam et Ile Saint-Paul):**

uninhabited but has a meteorological station

**Ile Saint-Paul (Ile Amsterdam et Ile Saint-Paul):** uninhabited but is frequently visited by fishermen and has a scientific research cabin for short stays

**Iles Crozet:** uninhabited except for 18 to 30 people staffing the Alfred Faure research station on Ile del la Possession

**Iles Kerguelen:** 50 to 100 scientists are located at the main base at Port-aux-Francais on Ile Kerguelen

**Bassas da India (Iles Eparses):** uninhabitable

**Europa Island, Glorioso Islands, Juan de Nova Island (Iles Eparses):** a small French military garrison and a few meteorologists on each possession; visited by scientists

**Tromelin Island (Iles Eparses):** uninhabited, except for visits by scientists

### Population Growth

NA

### Ethnicity

no indigenous inhabitants

### Language

NA

### Religion

NA

### Urbanization

NA