

## E-PROJECT - BEAUTY OF BEACHES

### THE MAUI ISLAND

**Maui** is an island in the [Hawaiian archipelago](#), its second-largest at 727.2 square miles (1,883 km<sup>2</sup>). It is the [17th-largest](#) in the United States.<sup>[4]</sup> Maui is one of [Maui County's](#) five islands, along with [Molokaʻi](#), [Lānaʻi](#), [Kahoʻolawe](#), and [Molokini](#).



Once part of [Maui Nui](#), Maui is dominated by two volcanic features: [Haleakalā](#) in the southeast, and the [West Maui Mountains](#) in the northwest. The two are connected by an [isthmus](#) about six miles wide that gives the island its nickname, the Valley Isle.

Maui has a significant tourism industry, with nearly three million visitors in 2022. A 2023 report based on 2017 data concluded that nearly 40% of Maui County's economy was tourism-related. Popular tourist destinations include the resorts in the Kāʻanapali, Kapalua, and Kihei/Wailea/Makena areas; [Hāna](#) and the [Hana Highway](#); [Iao Valley](#); [Haleakalā National Park](#); and its many beaches.