



Jersey



Background	Jersey and the other Channel Islands represent the last remnants of the medieval Duchy of Normandy that held sway in both France and England. These islands were the only British soil that Germany occupied in World War II. The Bailiwick of Jersey is a British Crown dependency, which means that it is not part of the UK but is rather a self-governing possession of the British Crown. However, the UK Government is constitutionally responsible for its defense and international representation.
Capital	name: Saint Helier
Government type	parliamentary democracy (Assembly of the States of Jersey)
Area	total : 116 sq km land: 116 sq km water: 0 sq km
Climate	temperate; mild winters and cool summers
Natural resources	arable land
Population	total: 103,387 (2024 est.)
Population growth rate	0.56% (2024 est.)
Ethnic groups	Jersey 44.4%, British 30.5%, Portuguese/Madeiran 9.4%, Polish 3%, Irish 2.1%, other 10.6% (2021 est.)
Religions	Christian 85.2%, Baha'i 0.3%, Hindu 0.1%, Jewish 0.1%, Muslim 0.1%, atheist 1.1%, agnostic 13.1% (2020 est.)
Languages	English (official) 94.5%, Portuguese 4.6%, other 0.9% (includes French (official) and Jerriais) (2001 est.)
Executive branch	chief of state: King CHARLES III (since 8 September 2022); represented by Lieutenant Governor Jerry KYD (since 8 October 2022) head of government: Chief Minister Lyndon FARNHAM (since 25 January 2024); Bailiff Timothy Le COCQ (since 17 October 2019)
Legislative branch	legislature name: Assembly of the States of Jersey
Diplomatic representation from the US	embassy: none (British Crown dependency)
Economic overview	British territorial island economy; strong offshore banking and finance sectors; low asset taxation; strong tourism sector prior to COVID-19 and Brexit; one of the most expensive places to live; minimal welfare system; historical cider industry
Real GDP (purchasing power parity)	\$5.569 billion (2016 est.) \$5.514 billion (2015 est.) \$4.98 billion (2014 est.)

Exports - partners	almost entirely United Kingdom (2022)
Exports - commodities	refined petroleum, beverages, ships, jewelry, artwork (2022)
Imports - partners	almost entirely United Kingdom (2022)
Imports - commodities	artwork, ships, vegetables, fruits, jewelry (2022)

Population Pyramid

