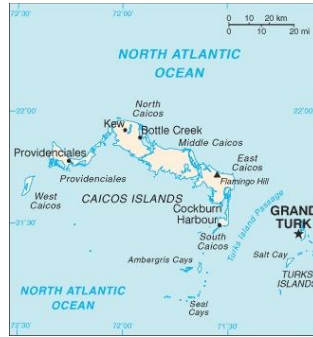
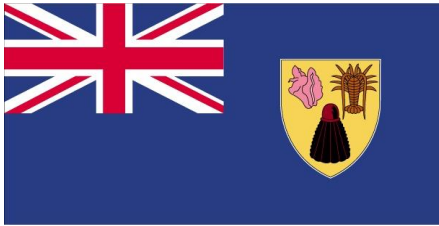


TURKS AND CAICOS



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

Queen ELIZABETH II

Head of Government

Premier Sharlene CARTWRIGHT-ROBINSON

Government Type

parliamentary democracy

Capital

Grand Turk (Cockburn Town)

Legislature

unicameral House of Assembly (19 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of the chief justice and other judges); Court of Appeal; note - appeals beyond the Supreme Court are referred to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council (in London)

Ambassador to US

none (overseas territory of the UK)

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none (overseas territory of the UK)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 948 sq km

Land: 948 sq km

Water: 0 sq km

Climate

tropical; marine; moderated by trade winds; sunny and relatively dry

Natural Resources

spiny lobster, conch

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

economy is based on tourism, offshore financial services, and fishing; most capital goods and food for domestic consumption are imported

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$632 million (2007 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$29,100 (2007 est.)

Exports

\$24.77 million (2008 est.)

Imports

\$591.3 million (208 est.)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

55,900 (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

2% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Black 87.6%, White 7.9%, mixed 2.5%, East Indian 1.3%, other 0.7% (2006 est.)

Language

English (official)

Religion

Protestant 72.8% (Baptist 35.8%, Church of God 11.7%, Anglican 10%, Methodist 9.3%, Seventh-Day Adventist 6%), Roman Catholic 11.4%, Jehovah's Witness 1.8%, other 14% (2006 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 93.6% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 1.77% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

