

Country Profile: Burundi

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Country Resources

Topographic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Burundi 1:50,000 Scale Topographic Maps (DMA Z724)	DMA	1:50,000	1994 - 1995	42

Geoscientific

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Tanzania 1:2,000,000 Scale Geological Map	BRGM	1:2,000,000	2004	1
Rwanda 1:100,000 Scale Geological Maps	IGM	1:100,000	1967 - 1979	6

Thematic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
The World 1:30,000,000 Scale Topographic Map Series 1145 (NGA)	DMA	1:30,000,000		2

Global Census Archive: GIS Census Data

Year	Questions / Answers	ADM Level	Polygons at ADM	Data Points
2008	54 / 411	3	2,889	1,187,379

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Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military City Plans	VTU GSh	Varies	1944 - 2003	3,020
Soviet Military 1:100,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:100,000	1947 - 1999	24,897
Soviet Military 1:200,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:200,000	1949 - 2009	17,799
Soviet Military 1:500,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:500,000	1953 - 1998	3,093
Soviet Military 1:1,000,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:1,000,000	1948 - 1994	1,089

Nautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
NGA Nautical Charts POD Certified (All Scales)	NGA	Varies	1943 - 2013	4,517

Aeronautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Joint Operations Graphic (JOG 1501A) 1:250,000 - Aeronautical	DMA	1:250,000	1958 - 2007	6,380
Tactical Pilotage Chart (TPC) 1:500,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:500,000	1967 - 2006	618
Operational Navigation Chart (ONC) 1:1,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:1,000,000	1969 - 2001	248
Jet Navigation Chart (JNC) 1:2,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical (Pushed-to-Shop)	DMA	1:2,000,000	1971 - 1999	117
Global Navigation and Planning Chart (GNC) 1:5,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:5,000,000	1981 - 1999	27

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Topographic

Before becoming independent in 1962, the small central African Republic of Burundi was administered by Belgium, and was mapped by Belgian survey organizations. Monochrome planimetric maps in 52 sheets at 1:50,000 scale and 13 sheets at 1:100,000 scale were compiled in the 1930s and reprinted between 1968 and 1971 by the **Musée Royale de l'Afrique Centrale (MRAC)**, Tervuren. However, after independence the **Institut Géographique du Burundi (IGEBU)** was established at Bujumbura, and a new 1:50,000 scale map series in 42 sheets was prepared by the French **Institut Géographique National (IGN)** jointly with **IGEBU**, which is now the principal topographic series. This map is in six colours with contours at 20 m intervals, and with bilingual French and Kirundi legend. The projection is Gauss, Clarke 1880 ellipsoid, and sheets each cover a quarter-degree square. In 1985, **IGEBU** moved to Gitega, the proposed new capital, but retains an office at Bujumbura. New aerial photography was obtained in 1984, but no new mapping has appeared. Several, mostly black and white small-scale thematic maps have been produced by **IGEBU**.

Soviet military topographic mapping of Burundi is available at the following scales: 1:1 000 000 (4 sheets, complete coverage, published 1958-1977); and 1:500 000 (4 sheets, complete coverage, published 1962-1964). These products are available in print, digital raster and digital vector GIS formats from **East View Geospatial**.

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Geological/Scientific

Geological and mineral resource mapping is the responsibility of the **Département de la Géologie (DGB)** of the **Ministry of Energy and Mines**. A 1:100,000 scale geological series has been completed with the Belgian **Musée Royale de l'Afrique Centrale (MRAC)**, while a general geological map of the country was published in 1981. Small-scale geological and metallic mineral deposit maps have also been produced with aid from the United Nations Development Programme.

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Soil

Extensive soil mapping, mainly at 1:50,000 scale, has been undertaken by the **Institut des Sciences Agronomiques du Burundi (ISABU)**.

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Atlas

The national atlas was published in 1981 by the **Association pour l'Atlas du Burundi** and comprises 30 thematic full-colour plates, mostly at 1:750,000 scale.

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Cadaster

Provincial and commune maps have been prepared by the **Département de la Population**. Censuses and large scale city mapping has been undertaken by the **Institut Supérieur des Techniciens de l'Aménagement et du Urbanisme (ISTAU)**.

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Tourist/Reference

The best general maps of the country are the 1:250,000 scale map in the French **Institut Géographique National's** *Pays et villes du monde* series, published in 1994, and a map of Rwanda and Burundi published in 1998 by **International Travel Maps (ITM)**.

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