

Country Profile: Central African Republic

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Country Resources

Topographic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Central African Republic 1:200,000 Scale Topographic Maps (IGN)	IGN	1:200,000	1948 - 1984	57

Geoscientific

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Cameroon 1:1,000,000 Scale Geological Maps	DMGC	1:1,000,000	1979	2
Nigeria 1:3,000,000 Scale Geology and Mineral Deposits Map	FSN	1:3,000,000	1967	1

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

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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	DMA	1:2,000,000	1971 - 1999	117

Note: East View Geospatial is continuously sourcing new resources that may not yet be listed in Global Explorer. Please contact us if you have geodata needs beyond what is listed above and we will be happy to discuss available off-the-shelf and custom solutions.

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Topographic

Formerly a territory of French Equatorial Africa, the Central African Republic became independent in 1960. Topographic mapping was undertaken by the **French Institut Géographique National (IGN)**, and continued after independence by agreement with the Central African Republic. Complete cover of the country was produced at 1:200,000 scale, the first sheets appearing in 1956. Almost all these one-degree sheets are now in the regular edition format in four or five colours, and a few sheets were produced in revised editions, the most recent being the Bangui sheet published in 1984. The projection is UTM, Clarke 1880 ellipsoid, and contours are at 40 m intervals.

Soviet military topographic mapping of the Central Africa Republic exists at the following scales: 1:1,000,000 (8 sheets, complete coverage, published 1957-1987); 1:500,000 (18 sheets, complete coverage, published 1962-1989); 1:200,000 (102 sheets, complete coverage, published 1979-1986); and a city (1:10,000) topographic map of Bangui published in 1981. These products are available in print, digital raster and digital vector GIS formats from **East View Geospatial**.

Some 1:50,000 quarter-degree topographic sheets have also been published. The first sheets were issued in 1954, and the most recent, four sheets around Bangui, in 1988. They are in four colours with 20 m contours.

A small scale general map in the **IGN Pays et Villes du monde** series was published in 1993, but while the inset map of administrative areas has been updated, the main map is essentially a reprint of the 1980 edition. Currently, there is little cartographic activity in the Central African Republic.

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Geological/Scientific

Geological mapping is the responsibility of the **Direction des Mines et de la Géologie**, Bangui and a new 1:1,000,000 geological map has been in preparation. Earlier mapping by the French **Bureau de Recherches Géologiques et Minières (BRGM)** is still available, including the 1:1,500,000 geological map by J-L. Mestraud and three sheets in the 1:500,000 scale *Carte géologique de reconnaissance de l'Afrique équatoriale*.

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Soil

Soils mapping was undertaken by the **Institut Français de Recherche Scientifique pour le Développement en Coopération (ORSTOM)**. A general soil map at 1:1,000,000 scale as well as some other resource mapping at this scale have been published. A few soils sheets at 1:200,000 scale were also published in the 1970s. Subsequently, soil mapping became the responsibility of the **Bureau National de Pédologie et de Conservation des Sols (BNPCS)**. In 1986, a 1:1,000,000 map of land capability was published with the support of UNDP and FAO. **ORSTOM** has also continued its program of 1:1,000,000 scale thematic mapping, and a geomorphological

map was published in 1996.

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Atlas

A small atlas of the country published in 1984 by **Editions Jaguar**.

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Tourist/Reference

A 1:10,000 scale street map of Bangui was published by **IGN** in 1972, and a 1:20,000 scale photomap was published in 1987.

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