

Country Profile: Maldives

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Country Resources

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

East View Geospatial has an ongoing effort to add GIS census data to our Global Census Archive program. Please contact us for the status and availability of Maldives census resources.

Global Resources

Topographic

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

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	4,204
Tactical Pilotage Chart (TPC) 1:500,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:500,000	1967 - 2006	598
Operational Navigation Chart (ONC) 1:1,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:1,000,000	1969 - 2001	243
Jet Navigation Chart (JNC) 1:2,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	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

Geoscientific

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military 1:1,000,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:1,000,000	1948 - 1994	1,089

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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Little official mapping is available in the Republic of the Maldives, but increasing tourist interest in the chain of 1,200 coral atolls in the eastern Indian Ocean has encouraged recent small-scale commercial mapping. British agencies have been responsible for most mapping prior to independence in 1965, and a legacy of large scale plans has been left. For example in 1974 the **Directorate of Overseas Surveys** (now **Ordnance Survey International (OSI)**) compiled large scale coverage with funding from the World Health Organization, to cover Male, the most important island in the group. These comprised nine sheets at 1:1,000 scale, with street names, and 23 sheets at 1:500 scale without the names but with spot heights. The Maldives agency currently responsible for surveying and mapping of the islands is the **Ministry of Construction and Public Works**.

Soviet military topographic mapping of the Maldives exists at the following scale: 1:1,000,000 (3 sheets, complete coverage, published in 1979). This product is available in print, digital raster and digital vector GIS formats from **East View Geospatial**.

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Nautical

Charting of the Maldives has been carried out by the British **Hydrographic Office (HO)**.

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Tourist/Reference

Two German commercially published maps from **Berndtson and Berndtson (B&B)** and **Ryborsch** provide the best overviews of the country. Both include numerous larger scale insets and descriptive guides to tourist islands.

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